

COLYTON PARISH COUNCIL, FEOFFES TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, COLYTON. EX24 6JR

**MINUTES FOR THE CPC MEETING HELD MONDAY JULY 10th AT 7PM IN THE MORTIMER ROOM OF THE TOWN HALL.**

**Present:** Cllrs P Dean (for part of the meeting), J Hay, S Real, A Jarman, R Tattershall, C Pady, B Collier, C Collier, A Parr, Dist Cllr H Parr, 5 members of the public and E Berry (Clerk).

*Request that those who are recording declare so and conform to standing orders.*

**17/07/22 Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence:** Cllrs P Gibbons, Rodney Turner, K Clifford and G Stephens.

**17/07/23 Police Report by email.**

See attached figures Appendix 1.

Criminal damage to two shops which are being paid for by the offending youth and a friend 'borrowing' a friend's car!

The Have Your Say surgeries at the Community Coffee mornings continue to be popular and we have arranged a presentation from Trading Standards on scams etc. at the café on Tues 25th July (10 -11am). All are welcome.

**17/07/24 Public Question time** (maximum 15 minutes)

David Morgan read out a statement on the X52 bus routes and the efforts he is making to ensure a continuation of the service in the winter timetable. He appreciated the support from CPC and is continuing to work with other agencies (Seaton Development Trust) to look into securing funding to maintain a service through Colyford & possible Colyton. He confirmed that the X52 was the only route that stopped at the RD&E Wonford.

**17/07/25 Approval of the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017** – agreed and signed as being a true record of that meeting.

**17/07/26 Matters arising from the Minute**

a) Reply from Gareth Bourton (EDD) re compensation for dog bins not being emptied, EDDC will credit CPC with 5.12 against next year's payment.

**17/07/27 Report from County Councillor** – email report – sent to Cllrs attached to Minutes – Appendix 2

**17/07/28 Report from District Councillors**

Cllr H Parr confirmed that after a few initial hiccups the new recycling service was working well, in just two weeks there had been an increase in recycling of 45% compared with the same period last year. % more vehicles have been purchased and over 7500 boxes and 70000 sacks have been handed out. At the cabinet meeting on Thursday there is a request for additional capital to be spent on recycling and waste collection. Cllr Jarman felt that some people were not getting their sacks emptied because of the wrong type of plastic being put in there. Cllr Parr will investigate and will resend Councillors the details of what can go in the sacks to be passed onto residents who are still confused. She will check if a second sack would incur a cost..

**17/07/29 Highway Matters**

a) Road Warden Scheme – Cllr Parr had read this and felt the scheme was worthwhile. Allowing more repair work on roads and potholes to be done locally with volunteers who have had the free Chapter 8 training. The Clerk confirmed that volunteers working on behalf of the Council will be covered by insurance providing they are Chapter 8 trained and wear the correct PPE. Cllr C Collier proposed that CPC enters into the scheme and signs the document, seconded by Cllr Pady and agreed by all.

b) Complaint from local resident re roadside gutters on Burnards Field Rd and Burnards Close. This will be passed onto the County Council and a reply sent to Mr Hirst.

**17/07/30 Report from Meetings Attended**

a) Traffic Group Meeting earlier today with Cllr Shaw and Steven Kelly the Highways Officer.

He was briefed on the concerns of the Parish as he is new to Colyton, these included the yellow lines, the jetter required for Grove Hill and the overgrown signs. Overgrown signs and potholes can be reported online on the DCC website.

He was going to take a look at the Mounthill problem (un-piped springs damaging road surface) and the collapsed road in Ridgeway which means the Feoffees cannot get on and repair the bottom of the leat.

Cllr Shaw suggested that future Traffic Group meetings included representatives of all 9 parishes within his remit. This was thought to be too large a group and it was suggested that Seaton & Beer be one group and the rest of the inland parishes be other.

- b) Cllr Hay and the Clerk had met with the applicant of Dark Place Brewery and the Licensing Officer. A compromise to the Friday/Saturday closing hour of 9pm was reached (this can be reviewed in the future).

#### 17/07/31 Correspondence

- b) Publications e-mailed to councillors – Intouch/RSN etc  
 c) Email from Mr West re mowers - noted  
 d) Email from Mr Morgan re X52 service and response from Mr Newport (First group General Manager), CPC offered their support and appreciate all the work he is doing on this.  
 e) Email from local resident re suspension of Otter Rotters service and response from Cllr Thomas Wright – read out. It was agreed to press the District Council on this as other Councils run green waste collection schemes.  
 f) Email via Neighbourhood Plan contact from local resident re recycling site at Umborne Bridge. This has already been under discussion with CPC and East Devon and there is no intention to move the bins elsewhere.  
 g) Final recommendation on the new electoral arrangement for EDDC – <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/>  
 h) Letter from Mr West to Chairman – *circulated to councillors at Chairman's request for information only*.  
 Cllr Dean made a statement in relation to emails from Mr & Mrs West to the Parish Council. He apologised for describing them as 'agent provocateurs' as he didn't intend to suggest any criminality. A better description would be vexatious complainants.

In his 40 years of volunteering he had never come across such antagonistic behaviour from a few individuals.

The constant criticism of the council he took personally, and he felt he did not want to continue as a councillor for that reason, and tendered his resignation with immediate effect and left the meeting.

- i) Agenda for the meeting with Neil Parish on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 10am in Colyford Hall sent to all Councillors. Paula was thanked for keeping the CPC up to date on this and at least three Councillors will be attending.

#### 17/07/32 Finance

Minutes of the meeting held Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> (Appendix F) to be noted

Accounts to be approved for payment – proposed by Cllr Real, seconded by Cllr Pady.

DD	Opus	Electricity	£7.21	£0.36	£7.57
DD	Talk Talk	Telephone & Broadband	£23.30	£4.65	£27.95
3883	Zurich	INSURANCE Premium Tax	£1592.99 £191.17		£1784.16
3890	CASH	Toilet caretaker			£100
3891	Mole Avon Trading	Goods to repair fence at RSC	£70.91	£14.19	£85.10
3892	Viridor	Waste Management	£117.13	£23.43	£140.56

- a) Disposal of mowers – Mr West agreed to take two to Potburys and pay the listing fees himself so there will be no cost to CPC. Cllr Pady will take the third mower to the tip.  
 b) Internal auditors for the financial year – defer to committee meeting.  
 c) Night Landing Site - Funding – Collection boxes – in local shops  
 Social Media/Crowdfunding (<http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk> or <https://help.justgiving.com/hc/en-us/articles/203067602-Crowdfunding-Fees>). Cllr Real proposed a fund is opened with 'just giving', the clerk to set it up and keep all informed, seconded by Cllr Pady and agreed by all.  
 'Thermometer' - there was one in the past Cllr Pady is to ask Mr Ady if he knows where it could be. The Carnival Committee has agreed in principal to support the initiative. The Clerk will draft a letter for local businesses and present it at the committee meeting.  
 d) P3 grant of £900 received - noted

- e) Neighbourhood Planning grant receive (£3600) - noted
- f) Cost to give insurance value of library. Three quotes had been received and ranged from £100 to £500 plus VAT. It was agreed to accept the lowest quote and the valuation will be done this week.

### 17/07/33 **Planning**

Minutes of the meeting held Monday June 26th – (Appendix G to be noted)

#### **a Planning Applications**

*For info only – comment made after site visit 06/07/17 – CPC Supports the application.*

#### **17/1373/TCA 21 Old Manor Gardens – Mr Kelly**

T1 Ash tree – prune and reduce back by 2m. Make 3 x second order pruning cuts into mid and lower canopy branches which are growing into a Horse Chestnut.

T2 Ash Tree – Fell co-dominant stemmed Ash tree which has been previously heavily pollarded cutting the stump as close to ground level as possible.

#### **17/1439/FUL Elwy, Cownhayne Lane Colyton Ex24 6HD – Mr J Ayre**

New entrance/drive

**SUPPORT** – proposed by Cllr Real, seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.

#### **EH/DCC/4005/2017 Whitwell Farm, Whitwell Lane, Colyford.**

Retrospective application for the importation, processing and storage of waste electrical cable and carpets within existing barns at Whitwell Farm, Whitwell Lane, Colyford.

Cllrs Hay and Pady declared an interest as the applicant is known to them.

**SUPPORT** – proposed by Cllr Parr, seconded by Cllr Tattershall and agreed by all.

#### **b Planning Decisions**

#### **17/0349/LBC & 17/0352/FUL St Andrews Church Hall, Lower Church Street.**

Conversion to 3 dwellings, creation of dormer window, bin store and removal of steps.

**APPROVED with conditions.**

#### **17/1357/FUL 11 Western Place, Colyton – Mr & Mrs Heal**

Construction of porch to front and single storey extension to the rear.

**APPROVED**

#### **17/0102/TPO 18 Thomas Bassett Drive, Colyford**

Application to remove spruce tree to ground level,

Officer report was that Tree has significant amenity value, the application is not fully substantiated so a

**Tree preservation Order made.**

#### **Appeal U1105C/16/3165193 Land south of Southleigh Rd, south west of Heathayne Cross, Colyton.**

**Appeal against an enforcement notice issued 31/10/2016 dismissed.**

Enforcement notice requirements were

- a) Cease use of the land for the siting of the wooden building and decking for domestic purposes.
- b) Permanently remove from the land the wooden building and decking.

#### Application for Memorial

DD13 Michael Edwin Dodge

Within guidelines - **APPROVED**

#### Application for Additional Inscription

**Elsie Grace Gore - APPROVED**

#### **c Planning Correspondence**

- i) East Devon Village plan submission has gone to the Planning Inspectorate – see EDDC website for details - <http://eastdevon.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/villages-plan/villages-plan-2017/villages-plan-examination/>

**17/07/34 Update on Neighbourhood Plan**

- a) Preferred date for meeting re Housing Needs Survey. – 24<sup>th</sup> July.
- b) The draft version of the initial local evidence document has been compiled and will be under discussion at the next meeting.

**17/07/35 Update on Library**

- a) Lease with FoCL – awaiting signatures

**17/07/36 Amenities****Minutes of the meeting on May 22<sup>nd</sup> (Appendix E) to be noted**

- a) Night Flying – Devon Air Ambulance  
Press Release – to local papers and social media  
Planning application – receipt acknowledged by EDDC
- b) Parish Inspection Report (emailed to Cllrs) – defer to Amenities committee meeting
- c) DALC request news story for Annual report – Colyford playpark, Cllr Collier has sent pictures to Lesley at DALC.
- d) Holyford Wood – Engineer recommended that EDDC do not take on reservoir because of maintenance issues but no details given. District Councillors asked to support the initiative. Holyford Woods trust may have to take it on.

**17/07/37 Colyton Memorial Social Club – no details of meetings received.****17 /07/38 Reece Strawbridge Centre**

- a) Car parking Hoops & Fence – fence repaired by CPC, hoops to be completed by RSC.
- b) Insurance – still nothing heard from Treasurer. Chairman of RSC will look into it (Treasurer on holiday).

**17/07/39 Formation of Sub Committee to liaise with Colyford resident, other interested parties & Colyton Grammar School.**

Cllr Pady proposed that the formation of the subcommittee waits until there is a response to the recent application by CGS and the new business manager is in place. This would also allow Cllrs Gibbins and Stephens to hopefully be present, seconded by Cllr Tattershall and agreed by all.

**17/07/40 Matters to be taken into Committee - none****17/07/41 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published – to be noted.**

- a) Overington Care Ltd request use of the sports field for a fund raising event on September 16<sup>th</sup>. (They have booked the Reece Strawbridge Centre). Passed onto Cllr B Collier (Chair of Playing Fields Committee) and Cllr Real as there is a committee meeting later this week.
- b) Dark Place Brewery – mediation meeting – compromise of 9pm for Friday & Saturday evening.
- c) Cllr Parr to compose a letter of thanks to Paul Dean.

**17/07/42 Dates of future meetings**

July Finance/ Planning and Amenities – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July  
 August CPC Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> August  
 August F & P meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> August  
 September CPC meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> in the Board Room.

## Appendix 1.

### Devon & Cornwall Police Building safer communities together

Offence	Recorded Crime 01/07/17 to 30/06/17	Recorded Crime 01/06/2016 to 30/06/16	Recorded Crime % difference.
Violence without injury	0	1	-100%
Other Sexual Offence	0	1	-100%
Vehicle Offences	1	0	-
Other Theft	2	0	-
Criminal Damage	3	1	200%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100%</b>

## APPENDIX 2

### County Councillor's report June 2017

I will send out a written report to all parishes towards the end of each month, for the following month's meetings. As often as possible, I will attend parish meetings to speak to my report and answer questions.

#### 1. Annual meeting of Devon County Council

I attended this meeting on 25 May, at which the new officers of the Council were elected. It is a formal event because all significant decisions have been made in advance between the leaders of the majority Conservatives (42 seats) and the minority groups, the Liberal Democrats (7), Labour (7) and Non-aligned Group (4). As an Independent, I belong to the Non-aligned Group, together with fellow Independent, Claire Wright (Otter Valley), another Independent and a Green councillor, both from other parts of Devon.

#### 2. Committee memberships

I will be a member of the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee, which may be more interesting than it sounds because it deals with how the Council organises itself and spends its money, and also with oversight of Highways. I will also be on the Rights of Way Committee, and represent the Council on the Beer Community Land Trust. So far as committees on which I do not sit, I still have a right to attend and speak.

#### 3. Locality Budget

I have now had a general briefing on this, but I am consulting further with officers on how to handle it, in view of practices in the two former divisions. I will send further information shortly. Parishes and community groups can of course apply for funding at any point in the year via the County Council website.

#### 5. Highways matters

On 23 May, I met for the first time with Stephen Kelly, the Neighbourhood Highways Officer for the new Seaton & Colyton division. I went through a list of all the issues of which parishes and residents had made me aware, so that Stephen knows of them. He gave me preliminary indications of the situation concerning each, or undertook to look into them. I will report further next month.

#### **6. Hospital beds**

Keeping the in-patient beds in Seaton and Honiton Hospitals has been a priority in my first three weeks as your County Councillor. The day after my election on 5 May, I attempted to revive the proposal for a judicial review of the NEW Devon CCG's decision to remove the Seaton beds. However despite raising over £5,000 in a week, I was forced to conclude that there were insufficient funds and time to pursue this potentially very costly course. The Hospital League of Friends, through whom donations were made, are now arranging to return money to donors who wished it to be returned if not used for judicial review.

I will now press for the County's newly reappointed Health Scrutiny Committee, at its first meeting on 19 June, to use its legal power to refer the decision to the new Secretary of State for Health who will be appointed after the General Election. I shall be writing to the committee's Chair about the CCG's answer to the question the committee asked about the choice of Sidmouth rather than Seaton for the 24-bed unit in the proposed new arrangements, since I am not satisfied with their answer.

Martin Shaw  
26 May 2017