

COLYTON PARISH COUNCIL
Feoffees Town Hall, Colyton
EX24 6JR

Minutes for the meeting of Colyton Parish Council held in the Mortimer Room of the Town Hall on Monday 12th December 2016 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs K Clifford, B Collier, C Collier, A Parr, S Real, P Gibbins, P Dean, H Evans, J Hay, C Pady, R Turner

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and congratulated the Carnival Committee and the Business Forum on the wonderful display of Christmas lights. He also congratulated the Theatre Group on the very successful pantomime Cinderella.

16/12/138 **Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence** - Graham Stephens (unwell), Cty Cllr S Randall Johnson.

16/12/139 **Police Report**

Recorded Crime and Incidents November 2016

Offence	Recorded Crime	Recorded Crime	Recorded Crime
	01/11/2016 to 30/11/2016	01/11/2015 to 30/11/2015	% Difference
Violence with Injury			
Vehicle Offences	1	0	
Criminal Damage	0	1	-100.00%
Public Order Offences	1	0	
Total	1	0	
	3	1	200.00%

Incident Category	Incidents	Incidents	Incidents
	01/11/2016 to 30/11/2016	01/11/2015 to 30/11/2015	% Difference
Anti Social Behaviour			
Crime Not Recorded	2	0	
Crime Recorded	1	0	
Public Safety	2	0	
Transport	9	8	12.50%
Total	3	3	0.00%
	17	11	54.50%

16/12/140 Public Question Time

Colyford Speedwatch Team.

A Colyford member of the team briefed the Parish Council on a statement made by DCC that following a review of the data collected over the past few months the average speeds recorded do not qualify for any traffic calming measures on the A3052. This is disappointing.

The team have also been monitoring the speeds of vehicles on the Seaton Rd, at the point where Popes Lane and the Wetland footpath joins the main rd. Being close to the 30mph zone significant traffic has been recorded as speeding. This is putting the lives of pedestrians and cyclist at risk and it is only a matter of time before a major incident occurs. Funding for signage had been promised right at the inception of the Stop Line way (in

addition to that funding which was diverted to the Somerset levels). The installation of another crossing in Sidford on the A3052 in the 20 mph zone has added insult to injury.

Cllr Turner commented that when the original plan for cyclist to exit onto Seaton Road was proposed the Parish Council voiced their concerns. Cllr Gibbins, living close by, has personally written to DCC.

The signage promised by DCC and Cllr Randall Johnson never materialised and there is a real risk of an accident at this point.

There followed some discussion over what was promised in the past and Cllr Parr agreed for CPC to contact Cllr Stuart Hughes and Cllr Randall Johnson to try to get something in place. This will also be taken to the next Traffic Group meeting.

Library

Jane Dauncey reassured the Parish Council as to the plans for the roof. Advice is being taken from the company installing the panels and Mark Mann is monitoring the situation. The Friends of the Library will pay for an energy Proficiency Certificate which is needed before transfer of the building can take place.

Everything is now in the hands of DCC.

Cemetery Fees

Mr White explained to the CPC the situation regarding his daughter's internment in the Cemetery. Although his daughter did not live in Colyton the family have long associations with Colyton and he asked the Parish Council if the doubling of fees could be waived on this occasion?

16/12/141 Approval of the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 14th November 2016

- i) Amend 16/11/128 EDF to OPUS – with this amendment the minutes were accepted and signed as being a true record of that meeting.

16/12/142 Matters arising from the Minutes

- a) The track at the picnic site is not within the CPC Land Registration
Cllr Parr will talk to the solicitor about finding out the ownership and whether it is already registered.
- b) No reply from Mr Tristram re joint projects for PT funding

16/12/143 Report from County Councillor

Cllr Randall Johnson has sent in a brief report which reminded the Parish Council that the deadline for Locality Budget grants is in 30 days' time.

The Colyford Speedwatch team invited her to join them when they are next monitoring traffic.

16/12/144 Report from District Councillors

Cllr H Parr explained the decision to approve the variation of the initial application for Higher Watchcombe **16/2079/VAR**

Despite the comment from CPC and the fact that so much of what was being requested did not meet the NPPF or Local Plan criteria and went against many of the accepted policies, the applicant had submitted strong acceptable financial evidence that the current situation of holiday letting is not economically viable. The policy is not to have unused buildings in place and it is not necessary or desirable for planners to require a business to fail, so the approval was given. In her opinion it is a worrying decision and she urged everyone to look at the Delegated Officers Report (*link emailed to councillors*).

Cllr H Parr reported that the plans to convert Knowle to an assisted living unit had been turned down for several reasons. The Committee wanted somebody to live on site to qualify as an assisted living unit, it had an overly dominant impact on the gardens and public parklands and one unit was far too close to the grade 1 listed summerhouse in the grounds.

This is a further setback to the EDDC's move from Knowle and is costing money.

Cllr Hay questioned why it took so long after the floods of November 19th for the roads to be swept free of the gravel and debris?

Cllr Clifford commented that it was a good job the river had been dredged – the situation would have been a whole lot worse if that wasn't done. Cllr Hay agreed, having taken 70 tons of gravel out from Ridgeway.

16/12/145 Highway Matters

- a) Receipt of DCC proposed Amendment Order for Colyton – emailed to Councillors and in the Library. Comments by 16th December. Cllr Evan proposed the Order be accepted, although it's not quite what CPC wanted, engineers had looked at the situation and this was their recommendation, seconded by Cllr Collier and agreed by all.
- b) TTRO Road to Rockerhayne Cross, Colyton. Monday 12 – 13th December. No alternative route.

16/12/146 Report from Meetings Attended - nothing to report**16/12/147 Correspondence**

- a) Publications e-mailed to councillors – Intouch/RSN etc
- b) Letter from Lloyds Bank re CPC letter of 14th November – read out
- c) Email from G Moore re play performance in schools dealing with Child Sexual Exploitation – read out. Felt to be a County Schools funding issue not a Parish Council one.
- d) Letter from Devon Clinical Commissioning Group in response to letter of 17th November – scanned and sent to Cllrs.
- e) Email from local family re naming of Colyford Play park – The Pady Playpark. Cllr Pady was very flattered but wishes it to be known by the field name – Rhode Field.
- f) Email from Rousdon clerk re speeding and a Mobile Vehicle Activated sign project. Clerk to ask for some more information on costs and benefits to Colyton/Colyford.
- g) Invitation to Councillors from John Mills re CPRE our outdoors competition – 15th December at 2pm CMH. – *emailed to councillors*
- h) Email from local resident concerned about the 'rubbish' pile next to 4 Prospect Terrace. When walking his dog one evening he saw a rat amongst it – noted that the area has now been tidied up.
- i) Letter from resident of Seaton re charges in Cemetery re internment of ashes - read out. Cllr Pady proposed the doubling of fees is waived, seconded by Cllr Turner and agreed by all.

16/12/148 Finance

Minutes of the Finance meeting held 24th October (Appendix N) to be noted

Cllr Real proposed the accounts be approved for payment, seconded by Cllr Evans and agreed by all.

Cllrs Collier declared an interest in #3798 – this is their son.

Cheque	Payee			VAT	Total
DD	OPUS ENERGY	Electricity	4.07	.20	4.27
DD	Tiscali	Telephone & Broadband	21.29	4.25	25.54
3797	Mrs C Collier	Telephone from Argos	28.94		28.94
3798	Mr R H Collier	Cemetery Contract work			1490.00
3799	Computer Doctor	Netbook, installation & clean up of PC	150 40		190
3800	View From Newspaper	Ground Maintenance Contract Advert	65.00	13.00	78.00
3801	CASH	Toilet Caretaker (Nov)			100
3802	Shaw & Sons Ltd	Book of EROB Certificates	98.23	19.65	117.88
3803	Bradfords Building Supplies	Sand	42.12	8.42	50.54
3804	Mole Avon Trading	Shovel (for poop scoop use)	4.58	0.92	5.50
3805	G H Down	PMPF Path			£850
3806	Viridor	Waste Collection	110.80	22.16	132.96
3807	Mr J Mair	Churchyard Tree work			480

- a) Budget discussions – from Annual Parish Inspection – sum of money to be earmarked for repointing of Cemetery Wall
- b) John request authority for purchase new drill on behalf of CPC – up to £100 – Cllr Real proposed this be approved, seconded by Cllr Dean and agreed by all.

- c) Ground Maintenance Contract – to be discussed at the Finance meeting once we have the tenders.
- d) John requests Wednesday 14th December as leave and March 23rd/24th & 27th - approved
- e) Liz requests 28/29/30th December as time in lieu - approved

16/12/149 Planning

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 28th November 2016 – (Appendix O) to be noted

a Planning Applications

16/2876/FUL Freakhayne Colyton – Mr & Mrs Jowett

Replacement garage & shed

SUPPORTED – proposed by Cllr Pady, seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all.

16/2761/FUL Orchardhayes, Whitwell Lane – Mr & Mrs Vickers

New garden shed/store.

SUPPORTED – proposed by Cllr Pady, seconded by Cllr Turner and agreed by all,

b Planning Decisions

16/2297/VAR Tritchayne Farm Cottages – Mrs Urquhart

Variation of condition 4 of application 00/P0545 to facilitate unit 4 to be occupied by a site manager –
REFUSED

16/2080/VAR & 16/2081/VAR Megs roost, Orchard Cottage & Garden Cottage, Higher Watchcombe Farm – Mr & Mrs Galloway

Removal of holiday occupation conditions to allow unrestricted occupation – **APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN**

16/2079/VAR The Barn & Granary, Higher Watchcombe Farm – Mr & Mrs Galloway

Removal of holiday occupation condition on application 7/79/87/P1693/00124 to allow unrestricted residential occupation.

APPROVED

c Planning Correspondence

- i) East Devon Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document – comment deadline 16/1/17 – *emailed to Councillors*
To be discussed at the Planning meeting on the 19th.

16/12/150 Amenities

- a) Minutes of the meeting held Monday 28th November (Appendix P) to be noted and a report on Flood alleviation Bid added.
- b) Colyton Grammar School Parking – Cllr Pady briefed the Parish Council on this and reported there had been a meeting with Jeremy Upfield (DCC Highway Development Manager) – although sympathetic with the request for dedicated parking he will go back and look at the highway accident data before committing any money – his report will follow.
- c) Request for shed & greenhouse on allotment – report from site visit.
Cllr B Collier proposed that only one structure, either a shed or greenhouse/poly tunnel be allowed (with size confirmed before erection, seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all,
- d) Night flying helicopter landing site – further meeting on Thursday.
- e) P3 Warden wishes to relinquish his role – advert in Parish magazine - noted
- f) Apologies from the Volunteer on strimmer course who could not attend - noted
- g) Email survey of Footpaths by local resident – sent onto DCC
- h) Update on Playparks. Roadgreen – installation to begin on 16th January. Colyford – awaiting the approval of EDDC Senior Manager Group to release our S106 fund. The play company has started the manufacture but understand that no firm order is yet in place

16/12/151 Neighbourhood Plan for Colyton Parish – update

Cllr Evans confirmed the Steering Group meetings will commence on the 2nd Wednesday of the month starting on January 11th. Meetings will be in the Board Room and agendas will be published within guidelines. He is hoping to confirm details of the Colyford representatives asap.

16/12/152 Reece Strawbridge Centre – nothing to report.

16/12/153 Library update.

- a) Email from Jane Dauncey reassuring CPC re Solar Panels – noted,
- b) The Clerk and Jane had been trying to find out if there was a pro-forma that could be used for the lease between CPC & the FOCL . DALC had said there wasn't and had emailed some recommended conditions to be included which seem to go against what DCC had previously agreed – Cllr Parr will investigate further.

16/12/154 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published – to be noted

- a) Mike List pointed out that the report on the Social Club revised rules in the minutes of August 8th ref 16/08/75 were incorrectly reported. He clarified that if the Club was dissolved it would be the members benefiting from any residual net assets or be responsible for the settlement of any net liabilities not the Committee – noted
- b) Quarter allotment plot 2R handed back by Mr Forshaw – to be advertised.
- c) Resident of Castle View complained about children overlooking her garden from the playpark at Cuthouse Meadows. Cllr Pady had taken a look, a solution would be a 2ft trellis and some planting to screen the boundary fence of the property.
- d) Cllr Real mentioned that the gentleman at Merlins (Pear Tree Corner) is now living in the new building and when could the mobile home/caravan be expected to move?

16/12/155 Matters to be taken into Committee - none

16/12/156 Dates of future meetings

Finance & Planning – Monday 19th December
Colyton Parish Council Meeting – Monday 9th January.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm.