

## Minutes for the meeting of Colyton Parish Council held in the Colyford Memorial Hall on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7pm

*The Chairman request that those people recording the meeting declare so and conform to Standing orders*

**Present:** Cllrs R Tattershall, P Gibbins, K Clifford, J Hay, A Parr, C Collier, S Real, A Jarman, R Turner, Dist Cllr H Parr, Cty Cllr Martin Shaw (for part of the meeting), 13 members of the public and E Berry (Clerk).

**18/03/179** The Chair paid tribute to Cllr Graham Stephens who recently passed way, and offered the Council's deepest sympathy to his family. The Members, officers and all others present observed a minute's silence in his memory.

**18/03/180** **Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence** – Cllr Pady (prior engagement), Cllr B Norris (unwell) , Cllr B Collier (convalescing)

**18/03/181** **Declaration of Interests - none**

<b>18/03/182</b>	<b>Police Report –</b>	<b>Feb 2018</b>	<b>Feb 2017</b>
	Violence with Injury	0	1
	Violence without Injury	4	3
	Burglary Dwelling Burglary	0	1
	Non-Dwelling Vehicle Offences	1	1
	Other Theft	1	1
	Criminal Damage	2	2
	Total	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>
	Anti Social Behaviour	0	1
	Crime Recorded	2	3
	Public Safety	9	4
	Transport	2	4
	Total	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>

**18/03/183** **Public Question time** (maximum 15 minutes)

- i) A Colyford resident asked if the Parish Council could send a letter of appreciation to Paula Collingwood, who has left the parish but had worked tirelessly on the Colyford Speedwatch Committee to improve safety on the A3052 and Seaton Road.
- ii) A Colyton resident enquired if the Parish Council still had the Fuji grit spreader purchased in 2011 along with the 5 tonnes of salt.  
Cllr Parr confirmed that the gritter was still in the CPC's ownership but had proved unreliable when used. The salt was no longer available but the Tannery could provide salt in the event it was required.
- iii) A Colyford resident asked what the Parish Councils policy was on allowing building in the Green wedge between Colyford & Colyton especially in light of the recent presentation for development on the old cricket field.  
Cllr Parr replied that the green wedge had to be protected as a natural boundary between the two settlements. Colyford needed to be protected from development. In the EDDC Local Plan there were no requirement for large scale residential development in Colyford.

**18/03/184** **The minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were signed as being a true record of that meeting.**

**18/03/185 There were no matters arising from the Minutes****18/03/186 Report from County Councillor - See Appendix 1.**

Clr Shaw reminded those on the Traffic Group meeting that there is a meeting at 1330 on 19<sup>th</sup> March.

He went through his report. The pothole action fund has been allocated to repairing roads in Northleigh, Offwell and Seaton with the assumption that there will be another round of funding later this year.

The Stop Line Way route through Seaton Wetlands should progress this year but there is no money available to extend it to Axminster as was the intention when it was initiated.

Clr Shaw reminded Councillors of the Seaton & Area Health Matters meeting in the Seaton Town Hall on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9am and encouraged all to attend if possible.

He talked about the reorganisation of the NHS in Devon, with plans to provide and Accountable care system now renamed Integrated care. This will bring together Health & Social care with money issued per head of capita to provide place based care with local care partnerships. Current targets are not being met in Devon. The CCG will allocate the same rate throughout Devon although at the moment Eastern Devon has the highest level of spending. This will mean that care providers in East Devon will be facing issues down the line.

Clr Clifford commented on the inadequate pothole repairs in Govers Meadow and Colyford. Those potholes repaired a few weeks ago are already reappearing. In his opinion a very poor job had been done with no supervision or accountability.

Clr Shaw will take this back to DCC. He is aware that the contractors are behind schedule with their repair programme and are paid per pothole they repair. Clr Collier asked if the work was checked? Clr Shaw said not on the ground but pictures were taken before and after the repairs.

Clr Real commented on the state of the road at Colyford outside Merlins. 4 or 5 potholes had been repaired but the whole road surface is deteriorating and needs replacing. Clr Shaw reiterated that only safety defects are repaired but asked that reports of poor road conditions are reported on the DCC website and also emailed to him – cllrmartinshaw@gmail.com Clr Hay said he'd be bringing the subject of the road conditions at Mounthill/Lishams Drain to the Traffic Group meeting this problem has been evident for almost 15 years and any repairs done have been inadequate at the best and botched at the worst.

He also showed a photo of the snow plough unable to clear snow on Sidmouth Road because of cars parked each side. This strengthen the CPC's request for double yellow lines on one side of the road as previously requested but ignored.

Clr Shaw confirmed that a new Traffic Order for yellow lining is being discussed and will be talked about at the Traffic Group meeting,

**18/03/187 Report from District Councillor**

Clr H Parr stated that Council Tax bills would be issued shortly, the increase in Council Tax would add £5 onto a Band D property making the annual charge £136.78. This was still the lowest District Council tax in Devon and one of the lowest in the country. EDDC had done a lot to ensure a balanced budget and is piloting a scheme where it retains 100% of business rates to go back into council funds. Additional funding comes from new homes bonuses and rents from properties. As a council it is having to work far more commercially re service delivery and asset management. The Council is working smarter, it has refurbished offices in Exmouth to serve that community and is on track to move into new premises in Honiton in the autumn of 2018. The service to customers is being improved with more business being done online which is far more efficient and gives a better customer experience. Waste is being cut out and the benefit service offered by EDDC is the 4<sup>th</sup> highest performing service in the country. Income is being generated from the maximum use of assets and the new green waste service is being furcate to being in a profit. More business units are being planned as the rent generated from these is more than can be achieved by investing the money. Some services

are being shared, namely IT, Audit and Procurement and a Housing company is being developed to generate more income in the future as forecast for 2027/28 is shown as a £5.4m deficit.

A successful bid for 310m to spend on the North/South relief road in Axminster is a key infrastructure development to allow 650 new homes in Axminster.

Reports of the service information can be found online.

Cllr Hay reported that the light in the car park above the pay meter has been reported as not working numerous times and still it has not been repaired – Cllr Parr will look into it.

The ‘EDDC garden’ at the top of Sidmouth Rd has been cleared but the patch at the top of the Butts is in a dreadful state. Cllr Parr said this was ‘no man’s land’ with no ownership recorded.

Cllr Hay was also disgusted at the number of bags of dog poo that were found in the grit bin despite there being a dog bin across the road.

A Colyton resident questioned the development value to the developers (£50m) for the site at Knowle, EDDC sold it for £7.4m He queried as to whether EDDC should have asked for more, and what could be done?

Cllr Parr stated that it was too late to reverse the development. The land was valued at the time and a contract signed. The appeal inspector had found no requirement for affordable homes on the site on the basis of other benefits to the community. There is an overage clause which will come into operation if the profit is more than estimated and extra profit will be liable to EDDC.

#### 18/03/188 Highway Matters

- i) **TTRO 19th March – 21st March – Downhayne Rd, Colyton, Downhayne Farm to junction with Yarbury Hill Rd - Patching**
- ii) **TTRO 26th March – 29th March – The Butts between Westaway Rd & Turls Cottage – Laying new surface**
- iii) **TTRO – 9th June 1200 – 1700 – Market Place, Vicarage St, Lower Church Street, Dolphin Street and Silver Street. – The Mighty Bed Race**

#### 18/03/189 Report from Meetings Attended

Cllr Parr had attended a Church Fabric Committee meeting and he and David Fouracre will meet with the builder to discuss the repointing of the church wall.

#### 18/03/190 Correspondence

- a) Publications e-mailed to councillors – Intouch/RSN etc
- b) Housing Needs Survey Evaluation Form to be completed – *place on next Planning Agenda*
- c) Devon Communities Together email detailing Training courses – *sent to councillors*
- d) Email – Seaton & Area Health Matters Event – *invitation sent to councillors.*
- e) Revised date for meeting re school buses & crossing – *sent to councillors.*

#### 18/03/191 Finance

Minutes of the Finance meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> February (Appendix W) to be noted

Cllr Real proposed that these accounts be paid, seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all.

Cheque #	Name			VAT	Total
TBC					
DD	Opus Energy	Supply at Yard	8.12	0.41	£8.53
DD	Talk Talk	Telephone & Broadband (Reduced cost because of lack of service in previous month)	6.81	1.36	£8.17

4051	Cash	Toilet caretaker – FEB Invoice			£100
4052	Paul Weston	NP Consultancy			£2700
4053	Lars Laj	Twister Spares	151	30.20	£181.20
4054	Mole Avon	Paint, Brushes & White Spirit	16.86	3.37	£20.23
4055	Viridor	Waste Management	141.14	28.23	£169.37
	DALC	New Councillors Course	25	5	30

- a) Quote to supply & fit new toilet door at Pavilion – this was discussed and further quotes will be sourced.
- b) Further quote from Neighbourhood Planning consultant to be approved. Cllr Turner proposed that this be accepted, seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.
- c) Increase prices from Viridor - price increase that apply to CPC – Increase of £0.98 per lift/ 20p@day rental increase and 50p@month duty of care charge increase - noted
- d) Proposal at last planning meeting to look into selling the Land at the Old Mortuary site. Cllr Real proposed that these matters be dealt with in Committee under the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (amended by the LGA 1972), the public and press to be excluded by reason of the confidential nature of the business being transacted ie financially sensitive matters. Seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.
- e) Liz requests Thursday (15<sup>th</sup>) & Friday (16<sup>th</sup>) as annual leave - noted

### 18/03/192 Planning

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

#### a Planning Applications

##### **18/0421/FUL Stocks, West View, Colyford – Mr & Mrs Bradley-Norman**

Construction of garage extension and alterations.

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

##### **18/0427/TCA The Pickerings, Lower Church Street – Mr King**

Hawthorn (T1) Reduction of 15-25% of the crown as tree is in part dead/dying. On advice of Tree Officer

Bay (T2) Remove as very close to wall and garage and could affect foundations – agreed by David Lomas. Cllr Real had viewed the trees in question.

**SUPPORTED** – proposed by Cllr Collier, seconded by Cllr Clifford and agreed by all.

##### **18/0423/AGR Land Southwest of Holywood Farm, Whitwell Lane – Mr Hammett**

Agricultural storage building

**SUPPORTED** – proposed by Cllr Parr on the condition that this very large structure is relocated closer to the farm buildings due to its visual impact in open countryside, Seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all

#### b Planning Decisions

**18/0209/FUL 3 Stanley Cottage, Fair View Lane, Colyford** – Construction of two story extension and garage. **APPROVED**

**18/0040/FUL Queens Haye, Queens Sq** – Construction of single storey rear and side extension – **APPROVED**

**17/3038/CPE Leacroft Touring Park** – Use of land to site caravan for warden accommodation ancillary to the adjacent caravan park – **APPROVED**

**17/2879/COU Ashdown Caravan Park** - Change of use of land to extend existing caravan site to provide an additional 7 no. static caravans pitches, 14 no. touring caravan pitches and a storage compound for up to 30 no. caravans, and associated access and landscaping works  
**APPROVED**

**c Planning Correspondence**

i) CLT Meeting confirmed for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Town Hall.

**18/03/193 Amenities**

Damage to fencing at PMPF Play Park

i) Insurance claim?  
 Repair/Replace or replace with metal?  
 3 Quotes sought – 2 so far  
 Police response – read out

Cllr Real proposed that an insurance claim is made and the money used to upgrade the fencing to metal and that CPC asks that the Youth Centre provide some help and a contribution towards the repair. Seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all.

ii) Allotments - 8Q being handed back – offered to new resident

**18/03/194 Emergency Resilience Plan** Volunteers

Snow Warden Scheme – *place on next agenda.*

It was agreed to publicise the request for volunteers to register with the Clerk , giving contact details and details of what they could provide in the event of an emergency.

**18/03/195 GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) changes.**

Draft Privacy notice & consent forms  
 Data Protection Officer – quote from outside agency  
*To be discussed at the April Meeting.*

**18/03/196 Neighbourhood Plan for Colyton Parish** – Cllr Collier reported that responses had been collated into a draft set of proposals that should go out to public consultation at the end of April.

**18/03/197 Reece Strawbridge Centre**

Cllr Hay reported that Shelia Smith has left as Treasurer and an employee from the accountants CRW will be taking that role over.

There is no problem locating the bike racks in the car parking area.

Meetings will be bi-monthly and the Building Committee will be reformed.

Tony Hibbard will liaise with Cllr Turner re the notice board, The next film show (Mountains Between Us) is on 30<sup>th</sup> March.

**18/03/198 Library update** – the Lease was signed by the Chair.

**18/03/199 Annual Parish Meeting**

Date confirmed as 25<sup>th</sup> April

Suggestion for Speaker – Cllr Collier suggested Paul Weston the Neighbourhood Plan consultant – she will speak t him.

**18/03/200 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published** – to be noted

i) Traffic Sensitive Review consultation now live

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/traffic-sensitive-streets-review/>

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/devonhighways/important-updates>

**18/03/201 Matters to be taken into Committee** – selling of land at the Old Mortuary Building

**18/03/202 Dates of future meetings**

**Community Land Trust** - Public meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> March 7pm  
 Finance & Planning – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
 Annual Parish Meeting - Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Town Hall 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

## APPENDIX 1

County Councillor's Report March 2018

### **Seaton and Area Health Matters - Going Forward Together**

I have been involved in organising this event on Friday 23rd March 2018 – Seaton Town Hall, 9.00 for 9.30 am start – 1.00pm. Book here: <https://goo.gl/forms/7laMUjhByt8F0w053> (right click on link to open booking form)

'You are invited to participate in this community led event with key stakeholders around the future health and wellbeing of all the people in our communities, in response to the new landscape affecting Seaton and surrounding area as a result of NHS and Government policies advocating Place-Based Care in health provision and cross-sector collaborative working with community groups

'The aim: to discuss what we know, where there are gaps/challenges and how, as a community we will address these to ensure collaborative approaches to co-design and co-produce local health services/activities that meet the needs of all the people in our communities.

'Invitees: management, senior level employees and volunteers / trustees from community, voluntary and social enterprise sector as well as public and private organisations (includes all parish councils). Area to include: Seaton, Colyford, Colyton, Beer, Axmouth, Branscombe, Southleigh.

PROGRAMME: Welcome: Mayor of Seaton – Cllr Jack Rowland

Community Context:

- Dr Mark Welland - Chairman of Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends
- Roger Trapani - Community Representative, Devon Health and Care Forum
- Charlotte Hanson – Chief Officer, Action East Devon Strategic and Services Overview –

Place Based Care:

- Laura Waterton – Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
- Richard Anderson - Health and Social Care Community Services Manager
- Dr Jennie Button - Social Prescribing Lead - Ways 2 Wellbeing project in Seaton Workshop, Networking and Discussion will form the main part of this event:

- Workshop 1 – What is working well and what are the challenges for Seaton and surrounding area?

- Workshop 2 – Working together to improve health and wellbeing outcomes? What support do we need? Honiton's Health Matters The follow-up event will be held in Honiton

Community College from 6-8 pm on March 6th. I attended a similar follow-up event in Okehampton, as an observer, on 6th February, to get an idea of how this process can be developed constructively for our own areas.

### **Pothole Action Fund, 2018-19**

I have put forward for repair (1) the road between Northleigh Cross and Offwell Brook, (2) the road to the north of Drummerstone Cross, Offwell, and (3) Beer Road, Seaton. As a result of additional government funding, there will be further money for road repairs in the coming financial year. When I know our allocation, I will ask parishes for their priorities. Work approved for patching in the current financial year should be completed by the end of March.

### **Stop Line Way cycle route**

I am meeting officers from Devon County Council's Public Rights of Way team on 26th February to discuss the way forward for this route.

### **I questioned the council tax rise to 4.99 per cent**

This was approved with the budget for 2018-19 at Council on 15th Feb. I said that while everyone wanted to protect vulnerable old, young and disabled people, it was unfair to council tax payers on low incomes to impose another swingeing increase (bringing the rise in DCC's council tax over the last 3 years to 14 per cent). The ruling Conservatives voted down the Independents' proposal to spend £5 million to save 30 health visitor posts, funding for foster carers and the school counselling service - instead using this money to add to reserves.

### **I questioned the Accountable Care System (ACS) for Devon's NHS starting on 1st April**

The Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Care, Cllr Leadbetter, told me there was no plan to introduce an Accountable Care Organisation (ACO), but I was not satisfied and proposed a motion for the ACS to be put on hold, as there has been no public discussion of these big changes. This was remitted to Cabinet on 14th March. Before this, Cllr Claire Wright and I will meet the CCGs to discuss the ACS on 5th March. It looks as though it will also go to Health Scrutiny on the 22nd. I spoke about the issue at a rally for the NHS in Exeter on 3rd February.

### **I urged the County to lobby Government for a Brexit deal which protects Devon's exporters, farmers, universities and hospitality trade, by keeping close to the EU**

The Cabinet had amended my motion along these lines so that the Council would merely note and monitor the impacts of Brexit. I proposed a new amendment 'that the Council lobbies Government to secure the trade, customs and migration arrangements with the European Union which will do least damage to the economy of Devon', but the Conservative Party voted en bloc against this. I also challenged the Leader, Cllr John Hart, over his decision to block a Devon for Europe rally being held in County Hall grounds, without discussing with the organisers. I said that whether or not you agreed with this rally, allowing peaceful protest is part of democracy.