

**Minutes of the meeting of Colyton Parish Council held in the Boardroom of the Town Hall on  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.00 pm**

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

Present: Cllrs B Collier, C Collier, A Parr (Chair), K Clifford, S Real, J Hay, A Jarman, C Pady, B Norris, R Tattershall

Also in attendance: Cty Cllr M Shaw (for part of the meeting) & 2 members of the public

The Chair welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new year and introduced Sue Southwell of Devon Communities Together to give further information on the way forward as a result of the Housing Needs Survey which showed that 36 Affordable homes were needed in the next five years. The survey showed that most respondents were in favour of development of the Ceramtec site, One option for the community to have some control over the type of housing was the formation of a Community Land Trust. She introduced Alison Wood and Jay Lambe from the Wessex Community Land Trust Project. They work with communities to form CLT's and work with Housing Associations and Architects to deliver housing needs, but the scheme must also be viable for the Housing Association. Each community has their own needs, size and type of housing etc. They have spoken to the HCA who own the Ceramtec site, the HCA have not worked with a CLT before but would consider their options of working with one. In response to questions from Councillors they said that if a CLT was formed they could go on to develop further sites after the Ceramtec site was completed. Also a CLT could possibly take over the green element of the site for community use with income stream from the housing.

**18/01/140      Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence** - Cllrs G Stephens (tfn), P Gibbins (Holiday), R Turner (Prior Commitment), Dist Cllr H Parr (Holiday) & L Berry (Clerk – In Hospital)

**18/01/141      Police Report**

Police Report for Colyton KN3C December 1st to 31st December 2017.

1:09/12/2017 Criminal Damage to property CR/107495/17.

2:10/12/2017 Criminal Damage to vehicle CR/107482/17.

3:21/12/2017 Common Assault CR/110714/17.

4:27/12/2017 Criminal Damage to property CR/112443/17.

**18/01/142      Public Question time** (maximum 15 minutes)

The Colyford Community Speed Watch representative informed members of a further meeting with Neil Parrish on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 10am

**18/01/143      The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017 were approved and signed as being a true record of that meeting,**

**18/01/144      Matters arising from the Minutes - None**

**18/01/145      Report from County Councillor** – circulated to councillors.

Decisions on the future of community hospitals are expected later in January. There is a meeting in Honiton on 18<sup>th</sup> January about the future health and wellbeing of residents. There is some new money for pothole repairs in the next financial year, he will come back to parishes to establish priorities. X52 Bus Service is ceasing, Axe Valley Buses are running a Seaton-Beer-Exeter service but not covering Colyford. An above inflation DCC budget is likely due to a cut in central funding

Cllr Hay reported that drains on Colyton Hill between Sandpit Lane and Oxhill were blocked and water was running down the road to Guernsey corner.

**18/01/146      Report from District Councillors** –None

**18/01/147      Highway Matters** – Dealt with under 18/01/145

**18/01/148      Report from Meetings Attended - None**

**18/01/149      Correspondence**

- a) Publications e-mailed to councillors – Intouch/RSN etc
- b) Nominations for Royal Garden Party 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018 - Deferred to Finance meeting
- c) Notice of Public Consultation re Ceramtec Site 6<sup>th</sup> February, Town Hall 2.30-6.30pm
- d) Email re X52 Bus service – covered in County Councillors report
- e) Email from resident about dog fouling and litter at Seaway Head – copy sent to Hastoe Housing, sender to be asked to keep Parish Council informed of any response
- f) Promote Colyton Group proposed new Colyton sign

#### 18/01/150 Finance

Minutes of the Finance meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> December (Appendix S) were noted  
Cllr S Real proposed payment of the accounts, seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.

#	Cheque	Name	Work		VAT	Total
DD		Talk Talk	Telephone bill	£23.55	£4.70	£28.25
*4029		R H Collier	Cemetery Grass Cutting	£1490.00		£1490.00
4030		MNR Mowers Ltd	Parts for mower	£18.26	£3.65	£21.91
4031		Mole Avon Trading Ltd	Silicone	£13.75	£2.75	£16.50
4032		Viridor Waste	Waste collection	£147.40	£23.48	£140.88
4033		Cash	Toilet caretaker	£100.00		£100.00

*\*Cllrs R & C Collier declared an interest*

- a) Budget discussions - Updated Budget proposals were presented. Agreed to add a further £500 to required precept to cover any increase in the Cemetery Grass Cutting Contract as the present contractor had given notice to terminate contract at end of March 2018. Figures to be confirmed at Finance meeting

#### 18/01/151 Planning

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – (Appendix T) were noted

##### a Planning Applications

##### **17/3029/TCA 22 Old Manor Gardens, Colyford for Mr Neale**

T1, ash – reduction via thinning by 1-2m by pruning second and third order branches to leave a height of approximately 14m and a radial spread of 6m

T2, cherry – formative re-shape by pruning second and third order branches, remove stubs

**SUPPORTED** – Proposed Cllr Pady, seconded Cllr Hay and agreed by all

##### **17/2928/FUL Land to the South West of Watery Lane, Colyton for Mr & Mrs B E Peach**

Construction of manege

**SUPPORTED** – Proposed Cllr Hay, seconded Cllr Jarman and approved by all

##### **17/3038/CPE Leacroft Touring Park, Colyton Hill for Mr & Mrs Robinson**

Use of land for siting of caravan for warden's accommodation, ancillary to the adjacent caravan park

**Certificate of Lawfulness (Existing) Application – Leacroft Touring Park**

**SUPPORTED** – Proposed Cllr Clifford, seconded Cllr Hay and agreed by all

##### b Planning Decisions

##### **17/2649/FUL Hill End, Kingsdon, Colyton, Mrs J Brinkler**

Demolition of existing detached bungalow and detached garage and construction of detached three bedroom, two storey dwelling and detached garage **REFUSED**

##### **17/2642/FUL Mirador, The Butts, Colyton, for Mr & Mrs Frewin**

Construction of porch to front **APPROVED**

##### **17/2811/TCA 21 Kingsholme, Colyford for Mr Harmer**

T1 – ash – dismantle and fell, reason poor form and in unsuitable position near a wall **APPROVED**

**c Planning Correspondence - None**

**18/01/152 Amenities**

- a) Cemetery Grass Cutting Contractor had given notice that he wished to terminate the contract as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Agreed to place advertisement in Midweek Herald and forward details to previously interested people
- b) Land drainage for Colyton Hill, Cllr Pady had spoken to DCC about this, permission was required prior to further work being done. The amount of funds in hand for this to be checked before proceeding

**18/01/153 Neighbourhood Plan for Colyton Parish – update**

Two successful public consultation days had been held, one in Colyford with 93 people attending and one in Colyton with 82 people attending. Most responses had been very positive, the main concern at both event was “Traffic & Transport”. All responses had been collated by the Consultant and a comprehensive report published. This would be discussed at the next Steering Group meeting

**18/01/154 Reece Strawbridge Centre** – there is a film show planned on 12<sup>th</sup> January

**18/01/155 Library update** – need to contact Friends of the Library to see what has happened with the lease

**18/01/156 Items brought to the CPC’s attention after the agenda had been published – none.**

**18/01/157 Matters to be taken into Committee - none**

**18/01/158 Dates of future meetings**

.Finance & Planning – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018

Colyton Parish Council Meeting – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

**APPENDIX 1 - County Councillor’s Report, January 2018**

**Community meeting on health services in the Honiton area**

Crucial decisions on the future of the community hospitals are expected from the CCG in January. In the meanwhile, the following event has been announced. I would encourage parishes near Honiton to take part. It is hoped to have something similar in Seaton shortly.

**Honiton’s Health Matters - Going Forward Together**

Thursday 18th January 2018, Beehive Main Hall, 9.30 for 10am start – 1.30pm

**Context:** This event is the start of a community conversation with key stakeholder organisations around the future health and wellbeing of residents in response to the new landscape affecting Honiton and its environs as a result of NHS and Government policies advocating place-based health provision and cross-sector collaborative working. 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 and senior level employees / volunteers / trustees across the public, private, community, voluntary and social enterprise sector.

**Speakers:** ∅ Professor Em Wilkinson-Brice – Deputy Chief Executive / Chief Nurse RD&E ∅ Dr Simon Kerr – Chair, Eastern Locality New Devon CCG ∅ Julia Cutforth - Community Services Manager, Honiton and Ottery St Mary ∅ Ways2Wellbeing - Social Prescribing, Speaker to be confirmed ∅ Charlotte Hanson - Chief Officer, Action East Devon ∅ Heather Penwarden- Chair, Honiton Hospital League of Friends If you’re reading an electronic version of this report, you can book a place here

### **Road repairs and pothole policy**

I have at last made progress on two longstanding issues which I inherited when I was elected:

- Northern Lane, Branscombe, has been comprehensively patched
- Townsend Avenue, Seaton, has been put into the resurfacing programme for 2018-19.

I will have a Pothole Action Fund of £47,000 in 2018-19 for the 9 parishes in the division. I also expect to see the County's review of its widely-criticised 'safety defect' policy (only filling holes which are 300 mm wide and 40 mm deep at the edge), early in the new year.

**Change in bus services from Seaton, Beer and Colyford to Exeter** First Wessex will stop running the X52 from Lyme Regis to Exeter on 21 January 2018. DCC have agreed to subsidise Axe Valley Buses to run one bus per day to Exeter and return (in July they turned down my request to support a fuller service, but I believe that pressure may have helped in securing support for the new service). Once the timetable, etc., become clear, it may be useful to have discussions on the future of services in the area, involving parish councils and other interested parties.

**Impact of Brexit on Devon,** As the Brexit talks move to the future economic relationship with Europe, Devon County Council will be discussing the possible impacts on Devon. At the December Council, the Leader, Cllr John Hart, said that 'Until details emerge, it is not possible to answer whether the risks outweigh the opportunities.' I argued against this that the Council should not wait to see what Government produces, but should tell Government what kind of Brexit which would be in Devon's best interests. I agree with Neil Parish MP that 'it's crucial the UK retains a close relationship with the EU market'. The dependence of agriculture on EU exports (7/8 go to the EU), the fact that 70% of Exeter's and 68% of Plymouth's exports go to the EU, the loss of doctors and nurses to Devon's NHS, and the importance of EU staff and students to Exeter University, are some of the reasons why Devon needs close economic links with Europe.

I therefore proposed a motion that Devon should tell Government that the UK needs to remain in the Single Market and Customs Union. This was remitted to Cabinet and will return, with their recommendation, to the next Council meeting at the beginning of February. I recognise that the majority of voters locally and in Devon supported the UK leaving the EU. The current argument is about the terms of Brexit. I am aware that there has not been sufficient discussion locally of the options and I would welcome constituents' views.

**Devolution and the link-up of Devon and Somerset.** On December 7, Council endorsed controversial proposals to set up a formal Joint Committee Devon with Somerset, with a view to forming an extra layer of bureaucracy, a Combined Authority for the so-called 'Heart of the South West'. I moved an amendment to place the proposals on hold so as to give further consideration to

1. Whether a combination with Somerset is the best framework. I argued that there is no reason for this apart from the 'benefits' of the Hinkley C nuclear project, which are unlikely to come to most of Devon, and that we should consider other options including Devon-only devolution.
  2. A more realistic and inclusive economic strategy, which would offer something to the rural, coastal areas of Devon and our small towns as well as to Exeter.
  3. How devolved arrangements can secure democratic consent. I argued that people don't know they live in the 'Heart of the South West' and have never been asked their views on the proposals.
- Liberal Democrat and Green councillors joined Independents in voting for my amendment, but most Labour members joined the Conservative majority in voting it down.