

COLYTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Mortimer Room Feoffees Town Hall at 7.00 pm on
Monday 14th September.

Present: Cllrs J Hay, C Pady, K Clifford, A Parr, B Collier, C Collier, S Real, A Jarman, P Gibbins, H Evans, 1 member of the press, 5 members of the public, Dist Cllr H Parr (for part of the meeting) and E Berry (Clerk).

Cllr A Parr welcomed those present to the September meeting. He congratulated the Carnival Committee for yet another highly successful & enjoyable Carnival with over £8300 being raised on the day, The Clerk will write a letter of thanks.

A one minutes silence was held in memory of John Broom, a former councillor who died recently.

15/09/88 Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence – Cllr P Dean (holiday), Cllr S Randall Johnson (prior commitment), Cllr G Stephens (convalescing).

15/09/89 Police Report - 7 crimes, reported below.

CR/054532/15	HARASSMENT WITHOUT VIOLENCE	04/08/2015	CHURCH STREET
CR/054815/15	COMMON ASSAULT	05/08/2015	NOSTREETNAME
CR/054901/15	CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY UNDER £5000 - OTHER	07/08/2015	COLY ROAD
CR/060625/15	THEFT FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE	30/08/2015	SWAN HILL ROAD
CR/057771/15	THEFT - OTHER - INCLUDING THEFT BY FINDING	18/08/2015	GREENCLOSE COURT
CR/060145/15	CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY UNDER £5000 - DWELLING	28/08/2015	SWAN HILL ROAD
CR/056877/15	CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY UNDER £5000 - VEHICLE	14/08/2015	SIDMOUTH ROAD

Richard Jenkins 14880 has now been appointed as the new Neighbourhood Beat Manager for Seaton. Richard is a very experienced Officer with 28 years' service. Richard will be out and about visiting all the Parish Councils/Schools in our area and is looking forward to meeting you.

15/09/90 Public Question time (maximum 15 minutes)

Mr West commented on the reduced service provided by the X53 bus.

He also commented on the negative response from Highways when asked if a sign could be erected by the community speed watch team asking drivers to slow down. Over the past few months over 600 cars had been recorded doing speeds in excess of 30mph.

15/09/91 The minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 10th August 2015 were approved and signed as being a true record of that meeting.

15/09/92 Matters arising from the Minutes

a) Stafford Common Business Tenancy – Symonds & Sampson terms approved at the Finance meeting. Tenancy is being advertised, deadline 15th September.

b) 15/08/79 Ridgeway dog bin.

SITA said - I think the issue we had is that we had no supporting paperwork for these bins and when the holiday cover driver was on the round so he was unaware of these newer bins.

Anyway - We now know about the bins and we will update the round folder accordingly. If possible could we receive written confirmation on any new bins or movements in future just so we can keep the round folders up to date.

NB Location of Bins reported by CPC to EDDC on 21/7/14 Ridgeway Lane & 21/7/14 Colyford.

15/09/93 Report from County Councillor – not present

15/09/94 Report from District Councillors

Cllr Parr commented on the new neighbourhood planning newsletter (*emailed to all councillors*).

A trial recycling collection of plastics & cardboard is being carried out in Feniton and parts of Exmouth. The goal is to recycle 50% of waste by 2020. This will result in fewer landfill collection – 3 weekly.

She went through some of the monthly snapshot figures for performance in July – these are available on the EDDC website.

15/09/95 Highway Matters

a) Response re Disabled Bay in Market Place,

RESOLVED – Cllr Real proposed that we ask for a mandatory sign with a 30 minute restriction, seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all.

- b) Response from Mike Brown to a residents complaint re dangerous road surface at Umborne
- c) Email from Colyford resident re state of Colyford Roads – forwarded to County councillor & Highways.
- d) Temporary Traffic Restriction Notices
 - i) 1/9 – 4/9 – Road from Northleigh Cross to FarwayCross – Repair burst communications pipe
 - ii) 26/9 – 26/9 – A3052 Swan Hill Road – Colyford Goose Fayre.
 - iii) 16/11 – 18/11 – Gully Shoot, Colyford, o/s Michaelmas House – Repair leaking pipe.
 - iv) 23/11 – 25/11 – Rosemary Lane, o/s Foundary Cottage – Renew Water pipe.
- e) Email from Colyford resident re parking at the Wheelwright (forwarded to police & Highways).
- f) Request from Community speedwatch group for notices – sent to Highways & Police. Cllr A Parr encouraged the team to keep the pressure on and report the results to DCC in the hope that a flashing warning sign could be provided.
- g) Invitation to Devon Highways Parish & Town council conference – 14th October Ashill/Cullompton or 23rd October Holsworthy.

15/09/96 **Report from Meetings Attended**

- a) Cllr B Collier reported on the East Devon County Committee which had recently reappointed the Chairman and appointed a young South Molton Councillors as Vice Chairman. It appears to be in good shape.
- b) Cllr Hay reported on the recent Reece Strawbridge Committee meeting, Sheila Smith will resign all roles except that of Treasurer. The letter CPC sent about litter had been noted. There is an ongoing discussion on extending the lease.
Cllr Real commented that after using the facility for a week prior to Carnival he was dismayed and frankly surprised at the lack of running hot water. This is a grievance that the Youth Club has with the Committee.
- c) A Traffic group meeting had been held this morning with Cllr Sara Randall Johnson & Mike Brown in attendance. There had been a promise made that we would receive a map on which to put our request for yellow lines.
South Street was considered not ‘dangerous enough’ to warrant a repair. South West Water will not accept responsibility so it falls to Highways to effect a repair at some point. The Clerk will write to SWW. Coly Road (southern end) and Colyvale will get some resurfacing.
Ridgeway is in the capital budget for this year.
Rosemary Lane will be resurfaced in November (probably)
The dangerous exit for cyclists from the wetlands into Colyford was noted.
Residents in St Andrews Orchard had requested more parking by removing some of the green space – EDDC was not keen to do this.
- d) Cllr A Parr reported on the all parishes traffic meeting at Honiton which several councillors had attended. All councils present had the same complaint with DCC & the state of their roads. Tom Vaughan presented DCC’s position – the bottom line is that there is no money in the pot for all repairs to be done and each request has to be looked at and prioritised.
- e) Cllr C Collier had attended the Seaton Locality Health & Care Forum which was not well attended. The purpose of the group is to provide an overarching group for communication and information sharing to support the respective Health and Care forums, interfacing via the appointed lay members to the Wakley GP forum, the Eastern Locality CCG and providers of health and social care and related services.

15/09/97 **Correspondence**

- a) Publications e-mailed to councillors – Intouch/RSN etc
- b) DALC update – requirement to register with the Information Commission - £35pa
- c) Consultation on Devon Mineral Plan – comments by 16th November.
- d) Email from local resident re rat infestation at Umborne Bridge.
- e) Response from EDDC Environmental Health re rat problem
- f) Email re X53 bus service from 27th September.
- g) Invitation to AONB Annual Forum event 30th September
- h) Representative requested for EDDC Working Together for the future of East Devon event – 9th October – the focus is ‘Keeping Well’ – Cllr C Collier volunteered.
- i) Email re carnival shed, Rosemary Lane– forwarded to Carnival Committee members

- j) Reminder from Electoral Services to residents to return forms – request to put it in the C&C magazine.
- k) Letter of thanks & receipts from Colyford for the contribution towards the plants.

15/09/98 Finance

Minutes of the meeting held 24th August (Appendix I) to be noted
Accounts to be approved for payment proposed Cllr Evans, seconded Cllr Turner

Cheque	Payee			VAT	Total
DD	EDF	Electricity	£8.55	£0.45	£9.00
DD	Tiscali	Telephone & Broadband	£15.74	£3.14	£18.88
3615	Axe Valley Ring & Ride	Donation Min re F15/08/29a			£250
3616	Cash	Toilet caretaker - August			£100
3617	Information Commission	Registration			£35
3617	Viridor	Waste management for August	£106.79	£21.34	£128.13
*3618	Musbury Garage	Fuel	£4.87	0.97	£5.84

- a) Changes to TalkTalk payments from 1st October 2015
Cllr Real proposed that the next three items be dealt with In Committee under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as amended by the Local Government Act 1972), the public, including the press be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, i.e. financially sensitive matters.
Seconded by Cllr C Collier & agreed by all
- b) Estimates for work on the Cemetery Gates – to be taken into Committee
- c) Estimates for work on the Resthouse – to be taken into Committee
- d) Estimates for work on the trees at the Playing Fields.- to be taken into Committee
- e) Second payment of Precept & Council Tax discount Grant received.
- f) P3 & Cemetery contract advertising April 2016 - March 2019
RESOLVED – Cllr Real proposed that the contract are advertised in the local press and previous contractors are approached, seconded by Cllr Gibbins and agreed by all.
- g) Credit of £178.19 from EDF Energy from 2005

15/09/99 Planning

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 24th August – (Appendix J) to be noted

a Planning Applications

15/1891/FUL – 2 Queen Square – Mr Noseda

Change of use from workshop/garage to a one bedroom ground floor flat.

NOT SUPPORTED

Proposed by Cllr Evans, seconded by Cllr Gibbins – previous comments will be reiterated. The application is an overdevelopment of the site with insufficient space for what has been proposed and there are party wall concerns with neighbouring properties especially with the issue of the flying freehold situation

15/2020/OUT – Land north of Cat Aclaw, Station Rd – Mr Carthy

Construction of 2 (equity share) houses (outline application with all matters reserved)

3 letters of objection

NOT SUPPORTED

Proposed by Cllr Parr and seconded by Cllr Real agreed by all

The site is within the Environment Agencies Flood Map flood zone 2 & 3. It remains an overdevelopment of the site providing equity housing which is not required within Colyton. The Housing Needs Survey of 2012 concluded that Colyton has no need for shared ownership homes, this was due to affordability issues. The recommendation was that Colyton needed rented accommodation and a total of 16 homes was proposed – the majority being one bedroom.

The recent Cuthouse Meadow development has provided 12 homes and the Yaffles application a further 6 – giving a total of 18 homes. We feel this is evidence that the proposal would not bring about wider sustainable benefit to the community that would outweigh the flood risks of building on this site.

15/190/FUL The Cherries, Hillhead – Mr Newton

Demolition of existing porch and construction of larger porch with study over.

SUPPORTED

Proposed by Cllr Evans, seconded by Cllr Parr – agreed by all

15/1965/OUT – Land South of Yaffles Coly Rd – Mrs Gould

Outline application for 4 houses and associated access.

NOT SUPPORTED

Proposed by Cllr Real, seconded by Cllr Turner and agreed by all.

CPC wishes to reiterate its previous comments.

NOT SUPPORTED

This development was felt to be an overdevelopment for the site and Colyton, being outside the built up boundary and the settlement boundary of Colyton. The visual impact of this development would be detrimental to the surrounding area.

Access to the development was felt to be hazardous and a danger to road users, (bearing in mind that there has already been a fatality on that stretch of road and a recent accident resulting in a two hour road closure.). The proposed access to the development is situated right beside a very well used footpath onto the East Devon Way, a tourist attraction being heavily promoted by EDDC, and a crossing area of the B3161. This stretch of road already has poor visibility and anything that would compromise this, or increase the traffic flow at that point, could only increase the potential of another accident as happened in the last two weeks, fortunately without major injuries.

15/1777/OUT – Peace Memorial Playing Fields, Coly Rd – DBD Development

Outline application for the erection of 5 dwellings (all matters reserved)

Cllr B Collier and Cllr R Turner declared personal interests as they know the applicant.

NOT SUPPORTED

Proposed by Cllr Parr, seconded by Cllr Evans.

The site lies outside the settlement boundary of Colyton designed to prevent encroachment into open countryside. The proposed development will still adversely affect the privacy & amenities of neighbouring properties and will harm the visual amenity of the site and is outside the built up boundary of Colyton. EDDC has fulfilled its housing need and CPC cannot support development outside the BUAB which is not required. The proposed development is outside the development boundary of Colyton and cannot be considered as an exception mixed market and affordable housing site as it contains no affordable housing provision as recommended in the Housing needs Survey of 2012.

The access remains a concern to CPC as does the foul/surface water drainage and the potential increase in flooding risk from this proposal.

15/2024/TCA 22 Kingsholme, Colyford – Mrs Crawshaw

Remove small suppressed trees & reduce canopies of others to give 2m clearance of buildings & 2m over the footway.

Cllr Evans, Real and B Collier to do a site visit and given authority to submit comment

b Planning Decisions

15/1457/FUL Land off New Sidmouth Rd – Mr Marx

Retention of a new steel frame agricultural building & associated access track – **APPROVED with conditions**

15/1576/FUL The Nourse, Dolphin St – Mr Rhodes

Construction of a single storey side extension & retaining works (part retrospective) – alternative design to approval 12/0223/FUL – **APPROVED with conditions.**

15/1275/FUL Westcotts. South Square – Mr Mann

Two storey side extension including associated groundworks.

APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

***15/2040/CPL 19 Springfields, Colyford.**

Certificate of lawful development for proposed rear extension (single storey) - GRANTED

c Planning Correspondence

- a) 3 x Letters of objection to 15/2020/OUT

15/09/100 Amenities

- a) Site for Colyford Playpark – report after site visit. Cllr Clifford took the chair and thanked Cllr Pady for the offer of the site which was considered very suitable for a modest play are and possibly multi gym for Colyford residents. He appealed to Colyford residents to write to the CPC with suggestions of which pieces of equipment they would like to see at the site.
- b) VE/VJ tree in Community woodland – email from Phil Parr. RESOLVED – The clerk will contact the Conservation Management committee for the Community woodland..
- c) Amendment to existing name on war memorial – RESOLVED – Accept the recommendation of the stonemasons.
- d) Report on site meeting with Environment Agency FP27
Cllr Pady briefed the councillors on the report and the suggestions made by the EA. Cllr Parr proposed a meeting with Mr Voysey to see what could be done jointly. Seconded by Cllr Collier. The clerk will contact Mr Voysey with Cllr Pady being the contact.
- e) Cemetery trees – Cllr Jarman reported that the low hanging branches are causing a problem for the coffin bearers. It was also reported that the sycamore branch is overhanging the resthouse & needs removing, Cllr real proposed that the branches are lifted to 10ft and the sycamore cut back, seconded by Cllr Parr.
- f) Umborne Bridge Gardens – Promote Colyton letter offering to clear and cut back the vegetation, weed the beds & plant bulbs as well as care for the trough.
RESOLVED – send a letter of thanks accepting their offer but state that it cannot be just a one-off it needs to be maintained.
- g) Allotment rent notices have been dispatched - noted
- h) Managed ‘wildlife’ area in churchyard suggestion from John
Cllr Parr will liaise with the Fabric Committee, the clerk will send a letter to David Fouracre.
- i) Work on the additional equipment for Colyton playpark is scheduled later this week.

15/09/101 Neighbourhood Plan for Colyton Parish

- a) Email from Tim Spurway confirming he will attend and present a short introduction on Neighbourhood Planning at the public meeting.
- b) Cllr Collier proposed that the Colyford sub committee includes the three ‘Colyford’ councillors, Cllrs Stephens, Gibbins and Pady. This was seconded by Cllr Real and agreed by all.

15/09/102 Colyton Memorial Social Club - next meeting on Wednesday 16th

15/09/103 Reece Strawbridge Centre – discussed elsewhere

15/09/104 Heads of Terms for Transfer of Colyton Library to CPC

Having taken legal advice Cllr Parr read out the report which highlighted two areas of concern with the proposed transfer. One is that if a lease was offered to the FOL for more than 10 years, necessary for them to access grant, the Overage/Clawback clause would be activated which would trigger a market value valuation and costs to the Council. It also appears from the documentation that the title seems to extend into the road – RESOLVED – Cllr Parr will draft a letter to Devon County Council pointing out these concerns. The clerk will write to Jane Daucey keeping her updated.

15/09/105 Matters to be taken into Committee

Estimates for work on the Cemetery Gates

Estimates for work on the Resthouse

Estimates for work on the trees at the Playing Fields

15/09/106 Items brought to the CPC’s attention after the agenda had been published – to be noted.

15/09/107 Dates of future meetings

Neighbourhood Plan Public meeting – Wednesday 16th 7pm

Finance & Planning – Monday 28th September

Colyton Parish Council Meeting – Monday 12th October **Colyford**

The meeting closed at 9.04pm