

**Minutes for the meeting of Colyton Parish Council held
via zoom on Monday 26th April 2021 at 6.00 pm**

Present: Cllrs H West, K Clifford, E Jones, J Hay, A Parr, S Real, P Arnott, C Denny, J Gardiner and C Pady.

Also in attendance: EDDC Cllr H Parr and I Haines (clerk)

Members of Public: 7

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

21/04/01 Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence - None

21/04/02 Declaration of Interests – Cllr Denny declared an interest in planning application 21/0795/FUL, Cllrs West, Arnott & Pady declared an interest in item 21/04/11

21/04/03 Police Report –

February 1 Crime reported

Colyton - 1 Crime reported

Burglary: 1

Colyford - 0 Crime reported

21/04/04 Public Question time – Mop informed the council they attended a meeting on behalf of the Community speed watch team and confirmed that several parishes at the meeting had purchased mobile speed cameras at the cost of £10,500 and the Mop believes it would be beneficial for Colyton Parish council to purchase one. Mop also requested that with the litter picking equipment the council is considering purchasing could include 2 man working signs and finally Mop wish all those standing for the election on 6th May the best of luck.

Mop voiced their objection to Planning Application 21/0933/FUL

21/04/05 Approval of the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 8th March 2021 – Cllr West proposed the minutes to be accepted with votes For, Against and Abstention on item 21/03/63 sections b and c being swapped seconded by Cllr Arnott, 7 Voted For with 3 Abstention. Minutes approved with changes.

21/04/06 Matters arising from the Minutes - None

21/04/07 Report from County Councillor – See Appendix A – Cllr Shaw did not attend meeting for questions

21/04/08 Report from District Councillors – District Councillors did not give a statement or take any questions

21/04/09 Highway Matters

- a) Temporary probation of through traffic – From Tuesday 11th May 2021 – Thursday 13th May 2021 – From Morganhaynes Cross to Guernsey Corner, Colyton – for BT to complete pole replacement
- b) Temporary probation of through traffic & parking – From Tuesday 18th May 2021 – Friday 21st May 2021 – From Mounthill Cross to Umborne Cross, Kingsdon
- c) Email from concerned resident regarding speeding on the A3052.
- d) Email from resident regarding obstruction on URC leading to Colyton FP40.
- e) Two separate emails from residents of Watchcombe regarding the state of the road, clerk has forwarded to Cllr M Shaw and Stephen Kelly.

21/04/10 Correspondence

- a) Email from resident regarding communication between the PC and the community – suggestion of a Community Action Groups (CAG) or something similar.
- b) Email from resident regarding language used at meeting and conduct towards others.
- c) Letter from resident requesting a survey of Colyton Sewage Pipes in regarding to ability of pipes to cope with additional sewage from development on Ceramtec site

21/04/11 Letter From Chairman of CCCLT – Regarding location for affordable homes – The councillors had a discussion about sites owned by the Parish Council that could possibly use for building affordable homes. Cleves Field was suggested by Cllr West but it was decided this area will be needed in the future for Cemetery spots, and it would be unlikely that people would want to live so close to burial plots. It was decided that a reply letter is to be sent to the Chairman of CCCLT to explain that the Parish Council could not think of any Parish Council owned sites that could be used to build affordable homes but that Cleves field had been spoken about.

21/04/12 EDDC Community Asset Transfer – Cllr Arnott explained the EDDC are offering Parish Councils the chances to take over asset that EDDC own, in Colyton this would be the toilets and parking on Dolphin street and land below Community Woodland. This will be discuss further at a later date

21/04/13 Ceramtec open space plan – Cllr Parr raised that many residents have emailed in to ask the space to be left as parking, this was supported by Cllr Real & Denny.

21/04/14 Traffic alleviation in Colyton and surrounding areas – Ceramtec housing – Cllr Clifford raised that he has received complaints from residents about the traffic situation in Colyton and concerns raised about what will happen when the houses and units are built on the Ceramtec site. Cllr Clifford proposed to advertise for ideas from the public on ways to alleviate traffic in Colyton and the surrounding area, seconded by Cllr Pady. Cllr Arnott amended the proposal that Cllr Clifford works with the Clerk to scope the proposal and bring back to the Parish council at the next meeting with the wording. Seconded by Cllr Denny. Unanimously Approved

21/04/15 Community Speed Watch – Cllr Jones confirmed he will be meeting with the Local police team to discuss Community speed watch in Colyford and that he believes that the Parish Council needs to make a financial contribution towards traffic containment issues.

21/04/16 Sewage pipe in the Parish – Cllr Hay raised concerns about the sewage pipe that runs from Coly road to the sewer works and the main pipe that runs across the river and through Cownhayne lane. The main pipe had a survey completed in March and a camera could not be push through the pipe, the pipe is part full of sewer that is either flowing very slowly or not at all and it is believed that it will likely take all of the summer to clear the pipe. Cllr Hay believes that the sewer pipes need upgrade to be able to take the building on the Ceramtec site, as the sewage pipes are already struggling. Cllr Denny confirmed that Wainshome would need to be in discussion with South West Water about how to deal with additional sewer coming from the houses and units to be built on the Ceramtec site. Cllr Real proposed the Parish Council write to South West Waters and ask about the survey that has taken place on the sewer pipes and ask them what they are proposing to do to deal with sewer from additional housing in the area, Seconded by Cllr Jones. 9 Voted For with 1

Abstention.

21/04/17 Finance

Minutes of the Finance meeting held 22nd March 2021 (Appendix AC) to be approved and signed by Cllr Parr. This is for audit purposes. Approval proposed by Cllr Real, seconded by Cllr West. 9 Voted For with 1 Abstention, Motion passed.

Accounts to be approved for payment – Approval proposed by Cllr Hay, seconded by Cllr Pady, Unanimously approved.

DD, EDF Energy, Electricity for workshop – April, Net 10.84 Pounds, VAT 2.16 Pounds, **Total 13.00 Pounds**

DD, TalkTalk, Broadband & Telephone, Net 32.92 Pounds, VAT 6.58 Pounds, **Total 39.50 Pounds**

BACS, Viridor, Waste Management – March, Net 146.75 Pounds, VAT 29.35 Pounds, **Total 176.10 Pounds**

BACS, South West Waters, Supply to New Sidmouth Road (17th Dec- 17th March), Net 32.40 Pounds, VAT 6.47Pounds, **Total 38.87 Pounds**

BACS, Community Action Suffolk, Addition cost to insurance after re-evaluation of the Social Club, Library and PMPF Pavilion, **Total 62.81 Pounds**

BACS, EDDC, Business Rates 2021/22 Charge 1 of 2: Rosemary Lane Workshop Net 958.53 Pounds, Cemetery Net 1871.25 Pounds, PMPF Pavilion Net 1646.70 Pounds, **Total 4476.48 Pounds**

BACS, C.Marriott, Garden maintenance in Colyton and Colyford – total of 22hrs, **Total 330.00 Pounds**

BACS, Devon Association of Local Councils, Membership renew for 2021/22, Net 584.43 Pounds, VAT 116.88 Pounds, **Total 701.31 Pounds**

BACS, Play Inspection Company, Inspection of Play parks in Road Green, Peace Memorial Playing Fields and Colyford, Net 202.50 Pounds, VAT 40.50 Pounds, **Total 243.00 Pounds**

BACS, Colyton Feoffees, Rent for Town Hall, **Total 1500.00 Pounds**

BACS, Mrs S Haines, Salary Including KIT days (22nd, 29th Mar, 12th, 13th, 19th & 20th Apr) 911.22 Pounds, Minus Pension 45.00 Pounds, **Total Pay 866.22 Pounds**

BACS, Mr I Haines, Salary (23rd Mar – 22nd Apr) 442.35 Pounds, **Total Pay 442.35 Pounds**

BACS, Mr J Rollings, Mileage - 52 Miles 23.40 Pounds, Leaving Gift 100.00 Pounds, **Total Pay 123.40 Pounds**

BACS, Mr A Parsons, Salary 903.24 Pounds, **Total Pay 903.24 Pounds**

DD, Nest Pension, Employers Contribution 11.74 Pounds, Employees Contribution 45.00 Pounds, **Total 56.74 Pounds**

BACS, Halcyon, Ground Maintenance – March, Net 501.66 Pounds, VAT 100.33 Pounds, **Total 601.99 Pounds**

BACS, Halcyon, April 2020-March 2021 – Ground Maintenance on Picnic site, Road Green and Jubilee Bridge Triangles, Net 2049.89 Pounds, VAT 409.98 Pounds, **Total 2459.87 Pounds**

BACS, AM Web Design, Website maintenance 1st Jan – 31st Mar 2021, **Total 81.00 Pounds**

BACS, Bargain Host, Website Web space (50GB) annual fee, **Total 50.00 Pounds**

- a) Quote received from SWW to install water supply at Allotments – Cllr West proposed approval, seconded by Cllr Real. 9 voted For with 1 abstention, Quotation approved.
- b) Quote for surface and drainage improvements on UCR leading to Fps 28 and 23 – Cllr Pady proposed this item went to Incommittee due to sensitive information, agreed.
- c) Quote to dig 5 exploratory holes and clear Millfield site – Cllr Parr proposed approving quotation, seconded by Cllr Clifford. Cllrs Parr, Clifford, Real, Gardiner, Hay and Pady voted For with Cllrs Jones, Arnott, Denny and West voting Against. Quotation approved.
- d) Quote for works on track to Healthayne Pit – Cllr Real proposed approving quotation, seconded by Cllr Parr. 7 voted For with 3 voting Against. Quotation approved.
- e) Quote for Skate park repair – Cllr Jones proposed approving the quotation on the condition only one ramp is repaired and monitored for a period of one month before any further repairs are completed, seconded by Cllr Pady. 9 voted For with Cllr Arnott not available to vote.
- f) Confirmation of insurance document received from the PMPF committee - Noted
- g) VAT submitted successfully – Noted
- h) Confirmation of receipt of first half of precept. - Noted
- i) Balanced End of Year Accounts to be approved – approval proposed by Cllr West, seconded by Cllr Jones. Unanimously approved
- j) HMRC owe PC £106.20 in April due to Recovery of SSHP - Noted
- k) Ian Haines request 28th April, 6th May, 12th May and the morning of 19th May as holiday - Approved
- l) Approval of Section 1 of the AGAR – Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 – Cllr West proposed approval, seconded by Cllr Pady. Unanimously approved.
- m) Approval of 2 of the AGAR – Accounting Statements 2020/21– Cllr West proposed approval, seconded by Cllr Pady. Unanimously approved.
- n) Audit paperwork – Explanation of High Reserves. – After discussion, Cllr Pady proposed assigning £5,000 to Skate park repairs, £10,500 towards a mobile speed camera, £3,000 to Tree work on PMPF, £1,000 toward fixing drainage issue at Road Green, with £5,000 already being agreed at the meeting and potential for a hardship fund, seconded by Cllr Denny. Unanimously approved.

21/04/18 Planning

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 22nd March 2021 (Appendix AA) to be approved and signed by Cllr Parr. This is for audit purposes. Cllr West proposed approval of minutes, seconded by Cllr Jones. 9 voted For with 1 abstention. Minutes approved.

a Planning Applications

21/0636/FUL Land and Buildings South West Of Heathayne Cross, Colyton – Mr Carlisle - Proposed agricultural building and access track – Cllr West proposed supporting the application subject to changing the position of the building, seconded by Cllr Jones. 7 voted For with 3 abstentions.

21/0800/FUL Colyton Grammar School Whitwell Lane Colyford – Mrs Atkins - Proposed external and internal alteration of existing east wing classroom block – Cllr West proposed supporting the application, seconded by Cllr Gardiner. 8 voted For with 2 abstentions.

21/0770/FUL 10 Westaway Road Colyton – Mr & Mrs Hunt - Single storey rear extension, replacement garage roof & associated works – No comment as planning application has already been approved.

21/0795/FUL 8 Hillside Colyton – Mr & Mrs Timmins - Construction of two storey rear extension and single storey side extension. Insertion of first floor side window – Cllr Denny withdrew for the discussion due to having an interest in the application – Cllr Clifford proposed supporting application, seconded by Cllr Hay. 6 voted For with 4 Abstentions.

21/0846/FUL Coly Dene Station Road, Colyton – Mr Kilby - Conversion of workshop, home office and store to form annexe – Cllr Hay proposed supporting the application, seconded by Cllr Real. 9 voted For with 1 abstention.

21/0272/FUL Fieforshame, Colyton – Mr Williams – Remove existing detached garage and replace with new workshop studio on eastern boundary – Cllr Clifford proposed not supporting the application and repeating comments from last time the parish council discussed the application, ensuring that the comments includes concern about the size of development and the fact the site is in the AONB, seconded by Cllr Pady. 8 voted For with 2 Abstentions.

21/0929/FUL 8 River View Drive Colyton - Mr & Mrs Satterley - Two storey split-level rear extension – Cllr Real proposed supporting the application, seconded by Cllr Gardiner. 9 voted For with 1 abstention.

21/0931/TRE 6 Kingsholme, Colyford – Mr Norcott - **T1 Beech** - Height 15 m. Reduce by 2m. Danger to neighbour's property. **T2 Ash** - Height 18 m. Fell. Worries of dieback and danger to neighbour's property. **T3 Horse Chestnut** - Height 15m. Reduce main tree by 2m. Remove 1 sub-dominant tree moving through main tree, touches roof of neighbouring house and electric cables. Remove 1 second sub-dominant limb which also touches the neighbour's roof and electric cables, to leave space for Lime to prosper. **T4 Ash** - Remove 1-3m limb 70mm in diameter, touching neighbour's electric cables. **T5 Oak** - Remove 3x 3m limbs, 50mm in diameter to reduce weight over pavement to improve figure of tree. **T6 Oak** - Remove 3x 4m limbs, 80 mm in diameter to reduce weight over pavement to improve figure of tree. **T7 Holme Oak** - Fell. Unhealthy and dangerous condition – Cllr West proposed supporting the application on condition the Holme Oak is replaced with a sapling Holme Oak, seconded Cllr Real. 9 voted For with 1 abstention.

20/2887/FUL – Land adjacent Harepath Hill, Seaton – Mr C Hammett - Proposed agricultural storage building and associated works, including new access (resubmission of planning application 19/1141/FUL) – Cllr Parr proposed the parish repeated its objection to the application, seconded by Cllr Jones. 6 voted For with 4 Abstentions.

20/0933/FUL – Land And Buildings South West Of Heathayne Cross Colyton – Mr A Rance - Change of use of the land to a mixed agricultural/equestrian use, along with the erection of a stable block and formation of a new vehicular access – Cllr West proposed not supporting the application, seconded by Cllr Real. 9 voted For with 1 abstention.

21/1004/FUL 19 Grove Hill Colyton – Mr & Mrs Crowther - Construction of single and two storey extension and porch – Cllr West proposed supporting the application, seconded by Cllr Hay. 9 voted For with 1 abstention

b Planning Decisions

21/0443/TRE 21 Old Manor Gardens Colyford – Faval Watton - T1 beech- fell due to poor form – Approved with Conditions

20/2634/TCA 21 Old Manor Gardens Colyford – Faval Watton - T2 Horse chestnut- fell due to poor form from multi stem base replace with more suitable specimen further from the public highway – Approved

21/0622/FUL 2 Castle View Colyton - Mr Coalter & Ms Wilson - Construction of single storey side extension – Approved

21/0770/FUL 10 Westaway Road Colyton – Mr & Mrs Hunt - Single storey rear extension, replacement garage roof & associated works – Approved

21/0434/FUL Summerway Farm, Northleigh, Colyton – Mr & Mrs Hardy - Conversion of existing Garage/workshop; rear oak framed extension – Approved

21/0617/FUL 6 Saxon Meadow Colyton – Mr & Mrs Slade - First floor front extension over existing ground floor porch. Approved.

c Planning Correspondence

20/2843/TRE The Coach House Kingsholme Colyford – Mr Cherry - T1. Thuja Plicata. Remove large bough that overhangs part of the house – Jason Mair has now viewed the tree and states - *I have made a site visit and the proposed work to remove one leaning limb over the garage is justifiable.* - Noted

- a) Cemetery request – request for an interment of a daughters ashes to a parents burial plot along with a small ledger approx 18" wide x 12" front to back, with the back level with the existing headstone base and the front approx 2" above the ground. Prices also to be decided – Cllr Real proposed approving request at a price of £151, seconded by Cllr Pady. Unanimously approved.
- b) Cemetery request – Price charge for R. Hawkins – Cllr Pady proposed charging local resident fee, seconded by Cllr Clifford. Unanimously approved.
- c) Residents are being invited to send comments and questions in to be collated by the clerk regarding the Ceramtec site - noted
- d) Request to install a book memorial measuring 15" wide by 20" high with integral vase behind book – Cllr Real proposed approving request, seconded Cllr Jones. Unanimously Approved.

21/04/19 Amenities

Minutes from the meeting held 22nd March 2021 (appendix AB) to be approved and signed by Cllr Parr. This is for audit purposes. – Cllr Real proposed approving minutes, seconded by Cllr West. 9 voted For with 1 abstention.

- a) Proposed works at Road Green – Deferred until next CPC meeting
- b) Trees in the River Coly – from PMPF along to Coly Vale – It was decided to ask the handyman to look at the trees to see if he could deal with any issues but if he was unable to, to get an assessment from the tree warden
- c) Allotment plot 2R – request to construct Greenhouse (8 foot by 6) – Cllr West proposed approving request, seconded by Cllr Denny. Unanimously approved.
- d) Playground Inspection Report – Cllr Parr proposed deferring until next Amenities with handyman to rectify what he can, All agreed.

21/04/20 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published – None

21/04/21 Dates of future meetings

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council – Wednesday 19th May 2021

Finance /Planning and Amenities - Monday 24th May 2021

Appendix A

County Councillor's monthly report, April 2021

Future of community hospitals At the Devon Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee on 18 March, it was decided to use our legal power to refer the proposal to close Teignmouth Community Hospital to the Secretary of State. 11 members voted for this, with two hardline Conservatives against. When I made the same proposal in January, the majority had been against, but in the meanwhile a request for informal advice from the Independent Reconfiguration Panel, which advises the minister, had produced nothing - as I had predicted it would. The threat to Teignmouth Hospital underlines the fact that the Devon Clinical Commissioning Group, which made the proposal, is still looking for savings through closures, since they

expected their tight financial environment to be restored as the pandemic comes under control. Seaton Hospital, which until the opening of the vaccination centre was more than a third empty for 3 years, has still not been guaranteed a long-term future, and the local community will need to continue to work to secure this.

Compulsory Purchase Order for land needed for the Stop Line Way in the Wetlands The two landowners concerned have objected to the order, which means that the matter is expected to be referred to an Inspector and will not be decided until later this year. Funding for the purchase of the necessary land was in the budget for the financial year just ending, but will be carried forward. Funding for the construction of the route is in the 2021-22 budget. The County Council's current position is that it will not proceed with the remainder of the route (agreed in 2010), from Colyford to Axminster, but I will continue to contest this. I understand the importance of cycle routes in Exeter and other urban centres, but it is unacceptable that areas like ours are marginalised.

Seaton Seafront Enhancement Scheme It is disappointing that officer absence is delaying discussions about this at EDDC, despite Jack Rowland's efforts. However I believe that Seaton Town Council should still initiate a new planning application to secure the permission, for which Northcott Building Company has once again offered pro bono assistance. I allocated money to the Town Council from my budgets two years ago, for Phase 1 of the scheme, and I am keen to see it begin.

Continued closure of Seaton Jurassic A number of residents have contacted me about Devon Wildlife Trust's decision not to continue, but this is a matter for EDDC and I wait to see the outcome of their discussions.

Culvert opposite Branscombe Village Hall I am pleased to hear that Highways have now unblocked this.

Improvement of Devon bank opposite White Hart, Colyford I am frustrated to hear that delays in contractors receiving materials have led to another postponement.

Traffic Group The next meeting of the Seaton and Colyton Traffic Group will be on 17 May at 2 pm, after delays because of the election.

Return to in-person council meetings Since the Government will keep restrictions on indoor gatherings even after 17 May, I believe it is inconsistent for them to insist that councils meet in person from 7 May, and I hope this decision will be reversed.

County elections I am standing for re-election. I have enjoyed working with our 9 town and parish councils, and I look forward to serving another term if the voters give me their backing.