

**MINUTES OF HOLBETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY 13 JUNE 2017 AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, HOLBETON**

Present: Cllr J Sherrell (Chairman), Cllr M Reece, Cllr H Baumer, Cllr P Hearn,
Cllr D Knight, Cllr C Flower, Cllr J Pengelly, Cllr C Ackroyd and Cllr T Craig

Also present: T Drew (Parish Clerk)

Parishioner(s)/guests present: 3

The Chairman welcomed Mr H Lopes, Mr P Brown and Mr A MacPherson. It was agreed to discuss planning application 1109/17/FUL - Land at Gnaton Farm, Yealmpton, Plymouth, PL8 2JA, at the start of the meeting.

Mr Lopes explained the proposal was a community-owned project committed to it via S106. All benefits maintained by the local area. It is a development of a new solar farm (30 acres) with up to 7.3MWp of generating capacity, comprising the installation of solar photovoltaic panels and associated infrastructure. This would include electrical inverter and transformer cabins, switchgear and meter house, sub-station, access tracks, fencing, CCTV and landscape planting.

There will be an educational fund of £1000 per year, used by local primary schools (Yealmpton, Holbeton, Newton & Noss Mayo) with a pack available, and annual trips. Parishes will benefit from Community fund of £11,000 which will be split - Yealmpton being the host parish to have the majority, then the remainder to Holbeton, Newton and Noss Mayo. Mr Lopes confirmed the grass underneath the panels will be grazed by sheep. Mr Lopes stated the land is a well-hidden site and will be screened by a Devon Bank, 500 metres in length, to be established on the Northern boundary.

Cllr Baumer had walked around the site and felt it would not have a negative visual impact on the area. Mr Lopes confirmed neighbours of the site had been consulted and views and concerns discussed were covered. Cllr Ackroyd enquired who would be funding the development. Mr Lopes responded that approximately a third of the money would be from local investors, a third from national ethical investors and a third from financial investors. Planning consent would be granted for twenty-five years, and at the end of that period a further planning application could be made or the site reinstated. The panels have a lifespan of 40 years. The project is not government-subsidised and investors would receive an approximate 5% return on investment with any surpluses benefiting the local communities.

Recommendation: Support

12/17 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Police Community Support Officer Andy Potter, Cllr J Fuller, County Councillor R Hosking, District Councillors K Baldry and I Blacker.

13/17 REPORTS

(a) Police Report

PCSO Potter's report for May was circulated - no reported crimes.

13/17 REPORTS (continued)

(b) County and District Councillors' Reports

County Councillor R Hosking emailed the following report: -

"Apologies for not reaching the meeting in time this evening. I have three Parish Council meetings that share the second Tuesday in the month and this will make it quite challenging to visit them all when they have a short Agenda.

There is relatively little to report at this moment in time. Devon & Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards are to merge. There has been some change to the structure of Scrutiny Committees at Devon County Council".

District Councillor Cllr Baldry's report was read by the Chairman: -

"I have been selected to chair the newly created SHDC Recycling and Refuse Working Group. Holbeton members may have seen a recent change which allows rinsed plastic-coated food and drink cartons (TetraPaks, fruit juice, yoghurt etc) to be recycled in the blue recycling bags. These cartons are mainly made from wood fibre which is a natural renewable. The process which does the recycling takes advantage of the wood fibres found in cartons and turns them into 100% recycled cardboard used for wrapping products such as cabling, and wrapping paper.

I attended the Licensing Committee meeting which discussed the application for Mothecombe Old School. I made representations about the proposed finish time and this was cut back by 30 minutes. With this change, I wish the venture every success and told the applicant so.

Still no news on progress on the Flete applications for Church Hill and Vicarage Hill".

(c) Questions from the public

No public present.

14/17 PEDESTRIAN BOLLARD OUTSIDE THE DARTMOOR UNION

A meeting was held with Mr Stephens and those who live near the Dartmoor Union. There are nine properties which use the area behind the Dartmoor Union but 12 parking spaces are for the Dartmoor Union. Those who are found parking in the area not using the Dartmoor Union will be clamped. Mr Stephens suggested a bollard is placed outside the Dartmoor Union to stop cars parking even though there are double yellow lines, and he would be prepared to cover the cost. Cllr Craig will inform Mr Stephens Councillors are in agreement for him to pursue the placement of a bollard. **ACTION Cllr T Craig**

15/17 TRIMMING OF ROAD HEDGE FROM BOUNDARY OF "ORCHARDSIDE" TO ENTRANCE OF SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD

Cllr Pengelly asked if there is funding available to assist the school to top the hedge. Cllr Ackroyd suggested speaking to Cllr Hosking to ascertain if a Locality Grant could be used.

16/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Ackroyd, Baumer and Hearn declared an interest in Planning Reference No. 1153/17/HHO, Location: 25 Vicarage Hill, Holbeton (Minutes 19/17)

17/17 TO CONFIRM MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of Holbeton Parish Council which was held on Tuesday 9 May 2017 had been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

18/17 PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPORT ONLY

04/17 Balustrades on Vicarage Hill which require repair/replacement - DCC is assessing situation and will report back what can be done. Cllr R Hosking/Nick Colton DCC Highways

04/17 Replacement of Directional signs at Whitemoor Cross and Hembury Cross. Cllr R Hosking

07/17 Parish Website - Cllr Knight stated the website is now operational, which Mr L Howarth has kindly agreed to maintain.

10/17 Speed of traffic, Battisborough - Cllr Hosking to discuss various ideas with Nick Colton, DCC Highways. Cllr R Hosking

19/17 PLANNING

Reference No. 1561/17/HHO Location: 6 Battisborough Cross, Holbeton

Proposal: Householder application for extension to existing dwelling

Recommendation: Support

Reference No. 1153/17/HHO Location: 25 Vicarage Hill, Holbeton

Proposal: Householder application for a proposed single storey rear extension and replacement porch roof

Recommendation: Support

20/17 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payments were approved: -

PAYMENT(S)

Mrs T Drew	Parish Clerk - May 2017 Salary	£296.30
Mythic Beasts Ltd	Hosting Parish Council website for 1 st year - reimbursement to clerk	£210.00
AON	Insurance - reimbursement to Clerk	£428.20
Holbeton Village Hall	Hire of village hall for the Annual Parish Meeting	£20.00
Mrs T Drew	Ink Cartridges - reimbursement to Clerk	£19.39
Mr M Rawlings	Grass cutting, drain clearance etc	£255.00
South West Water	Allotments, Holbeton, 14 February 2017 - 19 May 2017	£14.54
Cllr D Knight	Reimbursement for items purchased for the Reading Rooms	£7.84

RECEIPT(S)

Precept	£4856.50
Bank interest from business account	£0.20

GRANT

None

REQUEST(S)

Treasurers Account	Balance as at 15 May 2017	£14,927.15
Business Account	Balance as at 9 May 2017	£5,000

20/17 FINANCIAL MATTERS (continued)

Insurance Renewal - the AON renewal premium of £428.20 was confirmed.

Annual internal audit report 2016/17 findings - It was noted the internal auditor (Mr R Hines) had found the accounts to be satisfactory and had signed the annual internal audit report.

Section 1 Annual governance statement 2016/17 of the annual return for the year ended 31 March 2017 for Holbeton Parish Council was discussed and then approved.

Section 2 Accounting statements 2016 of the annual return for the year ended 31 March 2017 was discussed and approved.

It was then agreed to submit the annual return to Grant Thornton UK, the external auditor. **ACTION: Clerk**

Scanned copy of accounts to be sent to Grant Thornton can be viewed on the Holbeton Parish Council website- <http://holbeton.info/your-council/>

21/17 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

Email 10/05/2017 - South Hams CVS - Notice of our AGM on June 27 in Ivybridge

Email 15/05/2017 - Update on Totnes Leisure Centre - South Hams District Council and Fusion Lifestyle can confirm that conversations held today with Tadpool and its solicitors, to enable the Leisure Centre in Totnes to remain open with Fusion as the operator, were very positive. Outstanding issues were discussed and the principle of how to resolve them was agreed. The three parties now need a little more time to complete this process, which would involve the drafting and reviewing of contracts. In order to allow time for this to happen, South Hams District Council has agreed to fund the operation of the centre for a further two weeks. This would ensure that the centre remains open for users while the contracts are being completed. Tadpool has also been asked to make a contribution towards this. The timetable for completing the contracts is now as follows: All three parties meeting Monday 22 May to review the final drafts of the contracts; the final documents will be issued for signing on Wednesday 24 May, with completion no later than Friday 26 May. If the three parties do not stick to this timetable, South Hams District Council will not fund the centre beyond Tuesday 30 May, and the dry side would then have to close.

Email 24/05/2017 - Invite to Community Energy Revolution Event, 5th July for Cllrs - South Dartmoor Community Energy is holding an evening of presentations to raise awareness of what community energy is all about, and what local groups are doing to reduce fuel poverty and enable residents to get involved in renewable energy projects. The event is taking place on 5th July in Ivybridge Library from 7-8.30 in support of Community Energy Fortnight 2017.

Email 29/05/2017 - Regulation 14 Pre-submission Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan (Newton and Noss) - the Regulation 14 Pre-submission Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan will be launched on 9th June at 3pm in the WI Hall, Newton Ferrers. There will be a display, copies of the Plan, supporting documents and evidence with volunteers available to explain the process and the policies, from 3 - 7 pm on Friday and 10 - 5pm on Saturday 10th June. There will be the opportunity to 'Have Your Say' and give written feedback both at the event and during the statutory 6-week consultation period when the plan will be on display in the villages at the following locations:

1. Tubb's pharmacy 9/6- 21/7
2. NF Post Office 12/6 - 3/7
3. St Peter's Church Noss Mayo 26/6 - 21/7
4. The Plan and all the documents will be available on the N3P.co.uk website 9/6/17 - 21/7/17
5. Responses can go to either: The website - N3P.co.uk, Sarah Taylor, 96, Court Road Newton Ferrers PL8 1DD, Chris Phillipson, Flower Cottage, Noss Mayo PL8 1EF or the N3P Post Box on Newton Hill.

21/17 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE (continued)

Email 30/05/2017 - Inform SHDC Parking, Public Conveniences & Street Cleansing of any local events within the parish so the street cleansing teams can be informed as additional cleansing provisions or specific targeted street cleansing may be required.

Email 31/5/2017 - S.H.D.C. rinsed cartons (Tetrapaks, fruit juice, yoghurt etc) can now be placed in the blue recycling bags - information displayed on notice boards and website.

Email 12/06/2017 - NEWTON AND NOSS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: Reg 14 PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION also known as N3P, will be available for its Regulation 14 Pre- submission consultation on 9th June 2017 for six weeks until 21st July 2017. This plan will address planning and land use issues across the entire parish of Newton and Noss. The Neighbourhood Plan and its associated documents will be available for inspection on the website: [n3p.co.uk](http://www.n3p.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Neighbourhood-Plan-Pre-submission-Draft-Reg-14-V1-9.06.20178070.pdf) from the 9th June. <http://www.n3p.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Neighbourhood-Plan-Pre-submission-Draft-Reg-14-V1-9.06.20178070.pdf>. Copies for inspection will be available at the following: · Newton Ferrers WI Hall from 3pm - 7pm Friday 9th June and 10am - 6pm Saturday 10th June. The Plan booklet, some display materials and response forms will be available at, St Peter's Parish Church, Noss Mayo from 26th June to 21st July, Tubb's Pharmacy from 9th June to 21st July, Newton Ferrers Post Office from 12th June - 3rd July.

Letter from SHDC dated 24 May 2017 in connection with the Play Area Agreement: Brent Hill, Holbeton - cost for 2017/18 will increase by £30 to £130. This covers the current service of: insurance, monthly inspections by SHDC Mobile Locality Officers, plus an annual engineering report provided by the District Council's own insurer, currently Allianz.

22/17 OPEN FORUM

Cllr Ackroyd - owners of the sheep who will be grazing the community orchard to be asked for a copy of their public liability insurance. **ACTION:** Clerk

An accident took place on 9 May 2017 on the bike track where a cyclist was injured, insurance company to be informed. **ACTION:** Clerk

Quotes were received for the necessary repairs to the noticeboard at Battisbrough. It was agreed to ask Mr M McCann to carry out the necessary repairs @ £75.00. **ACTION:** Cllr J Pengelly

Cllr Knight - an oak tree has been felled at the allotment - were checks carried out to ensure the tree did not have a TPO? It was confirmed by Councillors present that no-one had been approached. Cllr J Sherrell to liaise with the landowner. **ACTION:** Cllr J Sherrell

23/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next **Parish Council Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 11 July 2017 at 7.30 pm** in the **Reading Rooms, Holbeton.**

The meeting closed at 21.00 pm.

Signed: 
(Holbeton Parish Council Chairman)

Date: 11 July 2017

Holbeton Parish Council website- <https://www.holbeton-pc.gov.uk>

