

**MINUTES OF HOLBETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2017 AT 7.30 PM IN THE READING ROOMS, HOLBETON**

Present: Cllrs John Sherrell, (Chairman), Mike Reece, Harry Baumer, Chris Flower
Peter Hearn, Debbie Knight, Tim Craig, Carol Ackroyd and Jim Pengelly

Also present: County Councillor R Hosking
District Councillor K Baldry
T Drew (Parish Clerk)

Parishioner(s)/guest(s): 2

68/17 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Police Community Support Officer A Potter, District Councillor I Blackler and Cllr Julie Fuller.

69/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, members were invited to declare any personal, disclosable pecuniary interests including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in items to be considered at a council meeting.

None declared.

70/17 REPORTS

(a) Police Report October 2017: - No crimes reported.

(b) County and District Councillors' Reports

County Councillor Cllr Richard Hosking:

School Funding Review - the revised figures for school funding has been completed. Pleased to report that Devon will receive an additional £7 million over the £500,000 originally allocated. No schools in Devon should receive any reduction in their funding.

For Holbeton School this will potentially provide an increase of 4% over baseline in 2018/19 and 7.2% in 2019/2020. There is some room for manoeuvre in allocation locally and DCC will be consulting Head Teachers on the options.

Hembury Cross to Mothecombe - further correspondence has been received concerning inappropriate use of this road and removal of the width restriction sign at the Mothecombe end. Attempting to have the sign replaced and the signs at the Hembury Cross end relocated.

Grit bins - notification to DCC regarding the topping-up of grit bins should be made via their website.

Highways fund has been set up this year to assist those Parish Councils who are entering into a road warden scheme. In addition, there will be free Chapter 8 training.

TAP Funding will not be available for grass-cutting and drain clearing.

70/17 REPORTS (continued)

District Councillor Cllr Keith Baldry:

On Tuesday 31 October, South Hams District Council and West Devon Borough Council voted on the proposal to create one new council. In South Hams 19 Councillors voted to submit a proposal to the Secretary of State, 8 voted against and 3 Councillors abstained. In West Devon 13 Councillors voted to submit a proposal to the Secretary of State and 18 voted against the proposal. This means that the proposal will not be submitted to the Secretary of State.

Steve Jordan Executive Director - Strategy and Commissioning and Head of Paid Service at SHDC - is leaving, due to a move with his job.

The outline planning developments at Church Hill and Vicarage Hill have been withdrawn, plans to be resubmitted.

District Councillor Ian Blackler emailed the following report:

It is recommended that even young people should have flu injections.

Several Local Authorities are pursuing Community Lead investments, SHDC are looking at this.

SHDC are looking at running a lottery as 32 other Local Authorities have and raised income from it. One Authority has raised £32,000 in one year.

We are looking at another source of community information as Civica has not performed.

The Police and Crime Partnership addressed the Overview and Scrutiny Committee recently and informed us there has been a cascade of gang groups from cities coming locally to parts of Devon (including Newton Abbot), they are doing their best to address this.

SHDC has provided 575 lettings so far this year.

All Parish Councils need to submit their applications for TAP funding before early December.

A full-time Overall Manager is to be appointed for Enforcement purposes. I have recently had two offences dealt with.

(b) Questions from the public

Mrs P Callcut has contacted the parishioner who had expressed an interest in drawing up a neighbourhood plan, but unfortunately due to commitment of time is no longer able to assist. A few parishioners have been contacted but again due to time constraints are unable to help. A local Neighbourhood Plan has been obtained and a lot of work is required. Mrs Callcut also has commitments but would assist anyone in drawing up a plan. Cllr Ackroyd has asked for parishioners to assist in the past, but there has not been a level of interest due to commitment of time. Cllr Sherrell agreed to write an article for the Holbeton Newsletter to ascertain if there are any parishioners who may be interested to contact Mrs Callcut. **ACTION: Cllr Sherrell**

Cllr Reece -Gibb Lane verges were encroaching on the road by up to three feet in places and needed to be cut back. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

Cllr Hosking will send a form to obtain a grant which will be sent to the Church Warden, to assist with the maintenance of the churchyard. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

Cllr Hearn - change of planning at Sherford - will there be more houses? Cllr Baldry stated he did not think there would be, the reason for the change was that houses are not selling.

Cllr Hearn - asked Cllr Baldry to explain why SHDC voted for the merger and West Devon Borough Council against? Cllr Baldry was not sure why West Devon Borough voted against. If and when West Devon Borough Council run out of money, Central Government will then be contacted.

70/17 REPORTS (continued)

Mrs Selleck - wished to stress that whether one is for or against any planning projects, it is surely in everyone's interests to work openly with facts that are correct, and anonymous print-outs through doors with dodgy facts, seems out of place in a friendly place like Holbeton. Pleaded for pleasantness and courtesy to work for the good of the village, whatever side people are on, there are so many volunteers working hard, would not like unpleasantness to jeopardise any precious friendships.

71/17 PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPORT ONLY

46/17 SatNav - what method does Devon Highways use to notify changes to Devon roads? Large vehicles are taking inappropriate routes within the Parish. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

46/17 Church Hill road patching. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

46/17 Cars parking over the fire hydrant in the village - should any action be taken? Cllr Hosking reported this is an offense and suggested yellow lines could be painted in the area. It was also agreed Cllr Ackroyd will write an article for the Holbeton News. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking & Ackroyd**

49/17 Speed of traffic, Battsborough - a review is going to take place but there is nothing that can be done at this moment.

67/17 Dog waste bin to be emptied more often at the pet memorial garden. Cllr Baldry has spoken to the Head of the Operations Department who will stress to the driver the need to make sure that this bin is collected weekly. In the near future 'in cab' computers will check if any bins are missed.

67/17 The resurfacing of the area of road at Silver Bridge on the A379 is scheduled for 22 - 26 January 2018.

67/17 Car parking sign for the village hall has been repositioned.

66/17 Road signs "Slow Down for Horses" & "Unsuitable for HGVs" - Cllr Knight has contacted Nick Colton Neighbourhood Highway Officer, DCC Highways, and there are various criteria to be met before a sign can be erected. It was agreed that Cllr Knight will contact Nick Colton and inform him that the Council think we meet the criteria, in addition an item will be placed in the Holbeton Newsletter asking for horse riders to contact him. **ACTION: Cllr Knight**

72/17 TO CONFIRM MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of Holbeton Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 October 2017 had been circulated prior to the meeting, and were approved and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Sherrell.

73/17 LOCALITY GRANT

Cllr Hearn asked if a grant could be obtained for the pre-school. Cllr Hosking will send a form to obtain money from his locality grant. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

74/17 HIGHWAYS

Cllr Knight has contacted Nick Colton, Neighbourhood Highway Officer, Devon County Council Highways, on various matters within the Parish as follows: -

"Unsuitable For HGVs" sign to stop large lorries going on the road from Bull and Bear to Henna Mill - no budget for new signs.

Redress Church Hill - road cannot be redressed in this financial year; the repairs will be rolled over to next year. It was agreed Cllr Knight will report the potholes.

Mr Colton confirmed the road to Ramsland is highway maintainable. Cllr Knight has photographed the potholes and has sent the images to DCC Highways.

Cllr Knight has reported the "Public Right of Way" sign near Ramsland Farm is pointing in the wrong direction.

Cllr Knight has reported that the street lights in Church Street are constantly on.

75/17 CHRISTMAS TREE

Cllr Hearn asked if the Parish Council could purchase a tree to be placed (in agreement with the owners) at the front of the Mildmay Colours Inn. This was agreed, Cllr Reece will contact Flete Gardens. **ACTION: Cllr Reece**

76/17 S106

Due to recent information on Church Hill and Vicarage Hill outlining planning application, this item on the agenda was not discussed.

77/17 PLANNING

Reference: 3461/17/HHO

Proposal: Householder application for rear extension to main dwelling

Location: New Farm, Battisborough Cross, Holbeton, PL8 1JQ

Recommendation: Support

Reference: 3306/17/HHO

Proposal: Householder application for two storey extension and single storey rear kitchen extension

Location: Pentire, Church Hill, Holbeton, Devon, PL8 1LN

Recommendation: Support

Planning Decisions

Application Number: 3086/17/HHO Holbeton

Location: Kennels Lodge, Holbeton

Proposal: Householder application for replacement recovering of existing roof structure and construction of bootroom link to utility room

Decision: Conditional approval

78/17 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payments were approved: -

PAYMENT(S)

Mrs T Drew	Parish Clerk - October 2017 Salary	£296.40
HMRC	PAYE	£74.10
SHDC	Supplies and services in respect of the election held on 7 May 2015	£632.13
Grant Thornton	Audit of accounts	£120.00
British Legion	Poppy wreath (S137) reimbursement to Clerk	£20.00

RECEIPT(S)	Bank Interest (09/10/17)	£0.19
	Hire of Reading Rooms	£30.00

GRANT REQUEST(S) None

Treasurers Account	Balance as at 11 October 2017	£16,265.41
Business Account	Balance as at 9 October 2017	£5,000.00

79/17 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

S Marshall - SHDC policy on sale of new homes as secondary home - to be addressed if a neighbourhood plan is actioned.

Email from Brixton Parish Council re. Quiet Lane Status - the email was read to those present by Cllr Sherrell. Cllr Ackroyd highlighted various roads within the parish. It was agreed to support this initiative by Brixton Parish Council, but to enquire how it would be policed. **ACTION: Clerk**

Letter from Michael Vaughan in connection with funding for Churchyard Maintenance - Cllr Hosking to send a grant form to Mr Vaughan. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

80/17 OPEN FORUM

Cllr Sherrell - it was agreed the Parish Council representative on the Village Hall Committee will be Cllr Fuller.

Cllr Ackroyd - asked for ideas for the TAP application fund to be sent to her by the end of the month. Ideas for funding so far were for coppicing the school hedge and to purchase a sign for the school with contact details. Cllr Craig to obtain a price for signs.

Cllr Knight - parishioner had reported that following the allotment hedge being laid, they were disappointed to see it has now been flailed by a hedge-trimmer.

Cllr Baumer - wished to point out the Village Hall car park is not a public one. It is under the management of the Village Hall Committee. A recent incident involved a person parking their car and being blocked in. They were not attending the event in the hall at that time. Suggestion was to produce a sign warning that they may be blocked in if there is a function going on which they are not attending, so they park at their own risk.

Cllr Baumer - had received an anonymous leaflet through his door in which there was reference to an article which they wished to put in the Holbeton News. Cllr Baumer wished to inform those present the item was not included in the newsletter as it could have been libelous.

80/17 OPEN FORUM (continued)

Cllr Craig - a licensed person has applied weedkiller on Fore Street (at no charge) and it is looking much better already.

Cllr Hearn - Dementia Group have six various groups - walking, reading, singing, hobby tree and general exercise, which take place regularly. In addition, afternoon tea takes place on the last Friday of the month at the Kitley House Hotel, Yealmpton. The website has been updated by a film crew from Denhams and includes a new video. The website address is www.dementiayealm.org.

The next **Parish Council Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 12 December 2017** at **7.30 pm** in the **Reading Rooms, Holbeton**.

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

Signed: 
(Holbeton Parish Council Chairman)

Date: 12 December 2017

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

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