

RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 23rd November 2004 at Rattery Village Hall
Meeting Commenced 8.00pm.

Present – Cllr B Evans (Chairman), Cllr P Smerdon (Vice-Chairman), Cllr S Levy, Cllr M Daymond, Cllr J Hampton, Cllr J Morel, Cllr B Palk.

Attended by – 1 Member of the Public.

Apologies – D Cllr C Ramsay, C Cllr G Date.

1) Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 5th October 2004.

The minutes of the last meeting have been distributed and read. One amendment was proposed – Item 5e) Planning – Sena – The windows proposed were taking away neighbours privacy and amenity. They were then proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement. They were then duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans.

2) Police Report/Neighbourhood Watch.

2 Reports had been received and were read by the Clerk. 15 Incidents had been logged, mostly vehicle broken down on the A38 or accidents. New Volunteers for the Neighbourhood Watch will be gratefully received.

3) Parishioners Question Time-

- a) Paul was in attendance regards the rattery.net web site which is now up and running. The Council Page with Agenda and Minutes is kept up to date. Some advertisers and funders are now needed to help run the web site through advertising, some local businesses have expressed their interest and now need approaching. Paul would like some help if any Parishioners are interested. The web site needs to be promoted further which will be done in the new year as it is a good way of advertising local business.

4) District and County Councillors Reports.

No reports given.

5) Planning Applications & Decisions.

Applications received from Dartmoor National Park

Dartmoor National Park – Weekly List of Applications received – given to Cllr B Palk for perusal.

- a) Application no 0567/03 – Brittan & Co – New Agricultural Workers Dwelling – Revised Site Plan showing amended position. No objections from the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr P Smerdon and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

Decisions received from Dartmoor National Park – None

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Application no 39/1874/04/F & Listed Building Application 39/ 1873/04/LB – Mr & Mrs R Jackman – Vines Cottage, The Plains, Rattery, South Brent TQ10 9LF – Alterations and extension to dwelling. After a site visit - no objections from the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr M Daymond and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

- b) Application no 39/1922/04/F – Ms L M Black – 2 Lower Velwell, Dartington, Totnes, Devon TQ9 6AD – Erection of a Shed. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr M Daymond.
- c) Application no 39/1919/04/F – Mr & Mrs P Sena – Little Well and Stables to Lower Velwell Barn, Dartington, Totnes – Conversion of Garage to additional accommodation to Little Well and Conversion of Stables to additional dwelling with new access. After a site visit by the Parish Council. The Parish Council object to the above application as follows:- Proposed by Cllr J Hampton and seconded by Cllr J Morel.
 - a. The Stables would take away neighbours privacy and amenity completely.
 - b. The proposed new road across Green Fields will destroy Land and a Devonshire Bank. Water Lane is a Rural Green Lane and not for vehicles. Also extra Water run off would be created.
 - c. The Parish Council also understand that some legal disputes are currently underway regards boundaries.
- d) Application no 39/2210/04/F – Mr I Keys – Land opposite West Mead Cottage, Rattery – Retrospective application for the erection of Summerhouse & Decking. Site Visit required by the Parish Council.
- e) Copy of Report from SHDC – Application no 39/0331/04/F – Mr A Buchanan – Luscombe Cottage, Colston Road – Creation of a Pond. Placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal.

DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a. Refusal of Planning Permission – Application no 39/1628/04/F – Mr & Mrs S Patrick – Marley House, Rattery – Erection of Agricultural Store.
- b. Refusal of Planning Permission – Application no 39/1706/04/F – Mr J Matthews – Ashburton – Land at Rattery – Retrospective application for the erection of an agricultural machinery and feed/hay store. The Clerk will write to SHDC to ask what happens next.
- c. Planning Permission Granted – Application no 39/1710/04/F – Ms O B Seck – 4 Hood Cottages, Dartington – Retrospective Application for Garden Shed and Leisure/Study Area.
- d. Planning Permission Granted – Application no 39/1874/04/F & Listed 39/1873/04/LB – Mr & Mrs R Jackman – The Plains, Rattery – Alterations and Extension to Dwelling.
- e. Planning Permission Granted – Application no 14 & 39/1950/04/F – Mr B Wheeler – Lower Hood Barn – Conversion of Storage to Provide Ancillary Accommodation.
- f. Planning Permission Granted – Application no 39/1922/04/F – Ms L M Black – 2 Lower Velwell, Dartington – Erection of Shed.

6) Matters Arising.

- a) Hedgecutting – It was noted that some has now been carried out, but some still remains to be done this matter will be carried forward to January 05 meeting.
- b) New Noticeboard – This is now completed and will be delivered to Cllr P Smerdon.
- c) Playing Fields Liability – Cllr P Smerdon confirmed that the fence has now been repaired and he will check that everything else is OK before the next meeting.

- d) New Litter Bins – A letter has been received from SHDC to say that they will not put a bin at Drybridge as this is covered by the Parish Sweeper – a reply will be sent back to say that the Parish Council will monitor this situation as they feel it not cleaned enough times during the year. The Childrens Play area is covered by Mandy Life at SHDC and a copy of the PC letter has been sent to her.
- e) Retrospective Planning Permissions – A Letter has been sent to SHDC Chief Planning Officer, but no reply has yet been received, the Clerk will chase this up.

7) Correspondence.

- a) South Hams Local Development Framework – Given to Cllr S Levy.
- b) Letter from DCC – Re: 20mph Speed Limit – The Clerk will confirm to DCC that they wish to keep to 20mph limit and what happened to the new Village Sign that was promised.
- c) Dartmoor Visitor 2005 – Given to Cllr P Smerdon.
- d) Dart Catchment Action Plan (on Disc) – Placed in the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- e) Letter from Rattery Consultation Group – This was read by the Chairman – Now that Rattery is not being considered by DCC for a Travellers Transit Site, any monies donated by Parishioners to the fighting fund will be returned.

Matters not requiring discussion placed in the envelope to be distributed (6 Envelopes).

8) Main Agenda

- a) P3 Report – Cllr S Levy reported that he had a meeting with Roz Davies – DCC and completed the survey forms to secure next years funding. A sub-contractor will come and put up new gates for free. A twice yearly cut is required by the Footbridge up to the Dartington Boundary and a price is required for a railing up to the Stile. The Parish Council can pay Cllr Levy to do the maintenance work and Roz will be writing to explain how a gratitude payment works.
- b) **Cllrs Reports** – No reports.
- c) Highway Maintenance –
 - 1) Fencing at Lower Knowle – No ownership has been found – Cllr B Palk will now look into this at the Land Registry.
 - 2) Stream by the Bridge – Cllrs Morel and Levy will clear this, there are also some bushes overhanging the stream from a neighbouring property, Cllrs will look at this to be discussed at the next meeting.
 - 3) Lower Bulkamore Cross – Large Ditch by Road Side which is gathering water.
 - 4) Manhole Cover opposite the Village Green is sinking and needs attention.
 - 5) Opposite Craven Cottage is a large Pothole which needs attention, a Parishioner has fallen and hurt his hand.
- d) Field Behind Garden Close – This field is a mess and needs topping off, Cllrs feel it is detrimental to the Villages character – A letter to go to the owners Dartington Trust.
- e) Gate & Access Track at Cholwell Farm – It has been noted that a new gate and access track has appeared – Letter to SHDC with a copy to Cllr Ramsay.
- f) Precept 2005-2006 - £3,420.00 proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr J Hampton.
- g) Budock Vean – Planning Permission for Studio – The Chairman – Cllr B Evans will look into this matter – carried forward to the next meeting.

9) Cheques for Signature

Cheque no 342 = £843.73 Sharon Orchard (6 Months Wages).

Proposed by Cllr J Hampton and seconded by Cllr M Daymond

Bank Balance - November 2004 = £4,334.26

10) Any Items to go onto the next Parish Council meeting Agenda.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.40pm
NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 4th January 2005 @ 8.00PM RATTERY
VILLAGE HALL.

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