

RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 17th February 2004 at Rattery Village Hall
Meeting Commenced 8.00pm

Present - Cllr S Levy, Cllr J Morel, Cllr P Smerdon (Vice-Chairman), Cllr M Daymond, Cllr J Hampton, D Cllr C Ramsey, Cllr B Palk, C Cllr G Date.

Attended by – No Public Present.

Apologies – Cllr B Evans (Chairman).

Cllr P Smerdon (Vice-Chairman) took the meeting in the absence of the Chairman – Cllr B Evans.

1) Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 6th January 2004.

The minutes of the last meeting have been distributed and read. They were then proposed by Cllr J Hampton and seconded by Cllr J Morel with all in agreement. They were then duly signed by the Vice-Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon.

2) Police Report/Neighbourhood Watch.

A Police Report had been e-mailed to the Clerk there were 23 logs recorded and most were accidents on the A38, with only one being a burglary to an outbuilding within the Village. Neighbourhood Watch had been given a general message to keep a watch on schools during the _ term period.

3) Parishioners Question Time- No Public were present.

4) District & County Councillors Reports.

C Cllr G Date reported that the Police attended a Staverton Parish Council meeting and most burglaries occur during the day so people should be vigilant. DCC have confirmed a 5_% rise in the Council Tax which was agreed today. A site inspection will be carried out tomorrow at the Travellers Site on the Newton Road, Totnes. He is asking all Parishes if there is anywhere in the Parish which would be an acceptable site for Travellers? As they are going to be moved on at some stage any of the neighbouring Parishes could end up with them.

D Cllr C Ramsey reported that SHDC has held its meeting to set its budget which resulted in a 4.9% increase on last years, other increases have also been imposed ie; Higher Carparking charges. Arts and Heritage, Museums etc will not get any grants next year as these funds have been cut out to save money. Lizzy Utley from the CCD has been asking if Parishes would like to make a list of people requiring affordable housing – This will be placed onto next months Agenda.

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.

Decisions received from Dartmoor National Park - None

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Application no 39/0233/04/F – Mr & Mrs Ryan – Culver Park Nurseries, Plymouth Road, Rattery, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9LL – Erection of Kitchen Extension – No objections from the Parish Council – Proposed by Cllr B Palk and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in favour.

- b) Application nos 39/0216/04/B Listed Building Consent & 39/0217/04/F – Dr & Mrs K Thompson – Michaelmas Cottage, Marley House, Rattery, Devon TQ10 9JX – Installation of Glazed Roof over rear Courtyard and Erection of Front Porch. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr B Palk and seconded by Cllr M Daymond.

DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 39/2009/03/F – A Davis – Raythorns Wood, Lower Dean, Buckfastleigh – Erection of Buildings for Storage of Farm Machinery & Stabling of Horses.
- b) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 39/2394/03/F – Mr J W Erswell – Ashbourne Farm House, Rattery, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9JZ – Retrospective Application for storage of machinery and other equipment for agricultural purposes, housing of sheep on a temporary/emergency basis and parking of private motor vehicles associated with the farmhouse.

6) Matters Arising.

- a) New Parish Council Noticeboard – The best place for the new board would be behind the seat on the Green, this is thought to be in the ownership of the Church – The Clerk will write to Rev David Winnington-Ingram.
- b) Devon in Touch – Internet Shuttle Visit – The Clerk confirmed that this is now booked for Thursday 19th February 2004 to be held in the Village Hall Carpark. The Vice-Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon asked for as many Cllrs to attend as possible.
- c) Cycling Route Signs around the Village – A letter has been received from Robin Bevis at DCC which confirmed that all the signs which have been put up are only temporary as Rattery is an interim cycle route. Copy of the letter to go to C Cllr G Date.
- d) Stream in Rattery Village (Weed Clearance) – Cllr J Morel confirmed that she will deal with this.
- e) A38 Road Signage at Drybridges – Cllr B Palk confirmed that she had received a letter from DCC but no funding is currently available as the scheme is not high priority, they did confirm they would monitor the situation but Cllr Palk was still not happy with this letter as the general feeling with all Cllrs was that something must be done, maybe more signage could be put up if road improvements can not be afforded.
- f) Speaker for Parish Meeting in April 2004 – Maybe someone regards the A38 problems above or someone from the Totnes Rail Transport Group.

7) Correspondence.

- a) Letter from Totnes Rail Transport Group (Request for donation) - £15.00 Proposed by Cllr M Daymond and seconded by Cllr B Palk.
- b) SHDC Playschemes 2004 – Given to Cllr P Smerdon.
- c) DNPA Seminar – 26th March 2004 – Given to Cllr P Palk.
- d) Devon Play Conference – 12th March 2004 – Given to Cllr P Smerdon.
- e) SHDC Development Control and Conservation User Group Meeting – 5th March 2004 – No one wished to attend.
- f) Devon Structure Plan 2001-2016 – Proposed Modifications to the Deposit Draft – Copies given to all Cllrs.
- g) Copy letter from SHDC to Mr Fraser at Churchside, Rattery regards his poor mains water supply some tests have been done and the results which were included were very high indeed which did concern the Parish Council. The Clerk will write to SWWA with a copy to SHDC regards this.

Matters not requiring discussion placed in the envelope to be distributed (5 envelopes).

8) Main Agenda

- a) P3 Report – Cllr S Levy confirmed that he had walked the Lanes and put up some signs. One quote has been received from a Contractor regards the works to be done another quote is expected shortly, as soon as this has been received the DCC Grant forms can be completed to get this years money and the works can get underway.
- b) **Cllrs Reports –**
 - 1) Cllr P Smerdon confirmed that the sign outside Pennywell Farm for a Zoo Licence was for the Falconry which operates on site, for this Zoo Licence status is needed.
 - 2) Cllr M Daymond reported that Edeswell Farm has a New Chalet on site which can be viewed if anyone wishes.
- c) Highway Maintenance – A Water Leak has been noted at the entrance to Garden Close in the Village, the Clerk will contact SWWA. Potholes noted on the Road by the Village Hall and the Road from Almshouse Cross to Buckfastleigh a large Pothole going up the Hill from the Village.
- d) Dartington Parish Council Newsletter – The Clerk reported that Cllr Wilson from Dartington Parish Council had been in contact regards the Dartington Newsletter and asked if Rattery would like to have a page within their Newsletter. The Parish Council decided not to as Rattery already has a newsletter and has now got its own web-site.

9) Cheques for Signature

Cheque no 316 - £112.00 GS MultiMedia (Web-Site Address)

Cheque no 317 - £15.00 Petty Cash

Proposed by Cllr M Daymond and seconded by Cllr P Smerdon.

Bank Balance - February 2004 = £4,432.93

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

- a) Overgrown Hedges.
- b) Shed in Field next to Devon Violet Nursery.
- c) Shed at Cherrytrees, Culver Lane.
- d) New Track Opposite Edeswell on Main Road by Viaduct.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.00pm

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 16th March 2004 @ 8.00PM RATTERY VILLAGE HALL.

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