

RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 16th March 2004 at Rattery Village Hall
Meeting Commenced 8.00pm

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

Attended by – 4 Members of the Public.

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

1) Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 17th February 2004.

The minutes of the last meeting have been distributed and read. They were then proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr B Palk with all in agreement. They were then duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans.

2) Police Report/Neighbourhood Watch.

No report given, the Police were not in attendance and the Clerk had not received an e-mailed report.

3) Parishioners Question Time-

1) Mr Chew was present and confirmed that he had sent a letter of objection to the Parish Council and SHDC regards Application no 39/0331/04/F Creation of a Pond at Luscombe Cottage, Colston Road, Buckfastleigh, he has lots of concerns regards the water which is at a premium in the Valley and feeds several other properties. The Chairman thanked him for attending and acknowledged that his concerns would be taken into consideration when the application is discussed later in the meeting.

4) District & County Councillors Reports.

C Cllr G Date was not in attendance but reported that the Travellers site at Totnes had been turned down by SHDC.

D Cllr C Ramsey was not in attendance so no report was 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.

Decisions received from Dartmoor National Park - None

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Application no 39/0286/04/F – Mr A Buchanan – Luscombe Cottage, Colston Road, Buckfastleigh, Devon TQ11 OLP – Extension to Dwelling. A site meeting will be required before a decision is made.
- b) Application no 39/0331/04/F - Mr A Buchanan – Luscombe Cottage, Colston Road, Buckfastleigh, Devon TQ11 OLP – Creation of Pond. As above – Site meeting required.
- c) Application no 39/0344/04/F – Mr & Mrs P Myers – Devon Violet Lodge, Rattery, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9LG – Alteration and extension to dwelling. (Previous application has been withdrawn). No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr S Levy & seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

- d) Application no 39/0357/04/F & Listed Building App no 39/0356/04/LB – Mr & Mrs R Jackman – The Plains, Rattery, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9LF – Alterations to store outbuilding to create ancillary accommodation. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council – None.

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 has written to Rev David Winnington-Ingram and is awaiting a reply on the ownership of the Land.
- b) A38 Road Signage at Drybridges – The Clerk confirmed that Parsons Brinckerhoff would be sending someone to the Annual Parish Meeting, so this would be a chance to discuss the A38 matters.
- c) Speaker for Parish Meeting in April 2004 – as above (Item b).

7) Correspondence.

- a) Various CCD Courses for Councillors – New Cllrs course on 30th June 2004 if Cllr S Levy wished to attend, please let the Clerk know.
- b) SHDC – Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing (comments by 26th March 04) – Given to Cllr S Levy for perusal.
- c) Copy letter from DCC – Re: 30mph Road Sign outside Village Hall – This letter was read to Cllrs and was for their information only, no action to be taken on this.
- d) Letter from Crosse & Crosse Solicitors – Re: The Church House Inn – Transfer of the Justices Licence for Parish Council information only – no action to be taken.
- e) SHDC Performance Plan 2004 – Questionnaire to be completed by the end of March 2004 – Given to Cllr P Smerdon for perusal.
- f) Letter from SHDC – Re: Public Inquiry – Bidwell Farm – Green Burials – 14th April 2004 – Cllrs were given the information on this which will commence at 10.00am at Follaton House, Totnes.
- g) South Devon Carers Consortium Meeting – 23rd March 2004 – Given to Cllr J Hampton.

Matters not requiring discussion placed in the envelope to be distributed (3 envelopes).

8) Main Agenda

- a) P3 Report – Cllr S Levy reported that a new gate will be delivered to Lister Bass to put up and that a quote from Ian Noble for the Lanes works has been accepted – this is £610 + VAT, the Lanes will be started this month, then a works party will be organised to clear up whats left behind. Cllr Levy also confirmed that he is happy to do the Strimming works and will attend the Strimming Course organised by the DCC P3.
- b) **Cllrs Reports** – No reports given.
- c) **Highway Maintenance** –
- 1) Cllr J Hampton confirmed that the Water Leak by Garden Close had been done and the Pothole up from Almshouse Cross has been attended to. However several other Potholes have been identified – Park Water Hill has several Potholes with the Road surface breaking up and also there is a Pothole at Penswell Cross.
 - 2) Whilst contacting DCC can the Clerk ask them about the Tubs and other bits on the Highway at Mill Cross outside the property – are these OK or are they encroaching onto the Highway.
 - 3) Contact Fred Palmer as he has some dumped rubbish in his gateway up from the Viaduct – a motorbike and some bags.
- d) Affordable Housing requirements in the Parish (CCD Lizzy Utley 01392 382793) – It was decided not to pursue this at the present time.
- e) Overgrown Hedges – Letters to go to Mr Hocking & Trustees for Rattery Mill.

- f) Shed in Field next to Devon Violet Nursery – This is a Garden Shed and only a temporary structure so no further action to be taken.
- g) Shed at Cherrytrees, Culver Lane – The Chairman – Cllr B Evans confirmed that this is a shed and not a garage so no further action to be taken.
- h) New Track Opposite Edeswell on Main Road by Viaduct – The Chairman – Cllr B Evans also confirmed that he had taken a look at this track which goes under the Archway by the Railway, looks as if it may be the Railways but the situation will be monitored, Cllrs will keep a check on this when they drive by and report back if there is any further activity.

9) Cheques for Signature

Cheque no 318 - Sharon Orchard £25.00 (Clerks Book)

Proposed by Cllr J Hampton and seconded by Cllr M Daymond.

Bank Balance - March 2004 = £4,421.82

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

- a) Barn in Field adjacent to Bidwell.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.10pm

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING & PARISH ASSEMBLY TUESDAY 20th April 2004 @
7.30PM RATTERY VILLAGE HALL.

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