

**RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2005 at Rattery Village Hall**  
**Meeting Commenced 8.00pm.**

**Present** - Cllr B Evans (Chairman), Cllr P Smerdon (Vice-Chairman), Cllr S Levy, Cllr J Morel, Cllr M Daymond, D Cllr C Ramsay, C Cllr T Pennington.

**Attended by** – No Public Present.

**Apologies** – Cllr J Hampton, Cllr B Palk.

**1) Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2005.**

The minutes of the above meeting have been distributed and read – Proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans.

**2) Police Report/Neighbourhood Watch.**

Police apologies had been sent and a report had been received which was read by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans – 2 reported crimes in the last month and 35 incident logs of which 27 were road (A38) related.

Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr J Morel will be attending a meeting this coming Thursday.

**3) Parishioners Question Time-** No Public Present.

**4) District and County Councillors Reports.**

D Cllr C Ramsay – reported that she had spoken to Dave Kenyon Re: The Plains, this was currently being looked into. Land Rovers on the verge at Dean Prior – she has spoken to DCC and they cannot see a problem with this. Budget Time again, local businesses with suggestions and questions should ring Colin Trant – SHDC – 01803 861369. Responsible Tourism Awards – SHDC have received 3 of these awards in this world wide contest – something to be proud of. Luscombe Pond – SHDC decision has been reversed by the Governments Inspectorate. The main opposer of the application has made a formal complaint to the appeals office. Langage Power Station – An extension has been granted to allow more time to evaluate tenders. Final decision on construction – first half of 2006. Domestic Violence – South Hams helpline (for male as well as female) 01364 644088.

C Cllr T Pennington – reported – I successfully moved a motion at the full County Council Meeting to write to Ruth Kelly, The Secretary of State for Education requesting her to re-instate the £140 million cut in funding for Adult Education courses and further Education Colleges such as The Mansion at Totnes. It received unanimous support across the Council. The new administration at County is likely to recommend that the Council Tax additional money levied by SHDC on second homes should be spread over the whole County. In the previous two years these funds have been ring fenced to finance social and low cost housing within the South Hams. I and a number of my South Hams County Cllrs oppose this move and we shall endeavour to persuade the Council to retain the funds for Social Housing within South Hams. DCC – have published a protocol for unauthorised Gypsy/Travellers encampments. Sabrina Thomas is the new County Gypsy/Travellers Liasion Officer.

The Chairman – Cllr B Evans confirmed that the Clerk would write to Phillip Jenkinson – Chief Executive DCC regards keeping the Council Tax money collected in the South Hams, spent in the South Hams.

**5) Planning Applications & Decisions.**

**Applications received from Dartmoor National Park**

Dartmoor National Park – Weekly List of Applications received – given to Cllr P Smerdon for perusal.

## Decisions received from Dartmoor National Park – None

### APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Application no 39 & 45/1700/05/F – Herbert & Harper – Conversion of Lodge to Residential Cottage – Old Marley Lodge, Marley Head, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9JX – After a site meeting by the Parish Council. The Parish Council are unable to support this application because of the lack of evidence that it ever was a dwelling. We have also taken into account the objections received from the majority of the residents at the Marley House complex and the previous unfavourable planning history of the site. Proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in agreement.
- b) Application no 39/1797/05/F – Mr & Mrs Parkin – Inglenook, Culver Lane, Rattery, South Brent, Devon TQ10 9LJ – Erection of a Conservatory. No objections from the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in agreement.
- c) Application no 39/1991/05/F – Ms Seck – 4 Hood Cottages, Dartington, TQ9 6AB – Removal of condition (2) of planning permission 39/1710/04/F to allow the use of the leisure/study area for commercial purposes. No objections from the Parish Council – Proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in agreement.
- d) Application no 39/1981/05/F – Mr Evans & Ms Ayles – Old Torne, Rattery TQ10 9LQ – Retrospective application for renovation and change of use of barn for use as workshop/storage. Site meeting required before a decision is made.

### DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Planning Permission Granted – Application no DK/39/0544/05/F – Mr & Mrs Sena – Little Well, Velwell, Dartington, Totnes – Conversion of Garage to additional accommodation and conversion of Stables to dwelling.
- b) Planning Permission Refused – Application no DK/39&45/1700/05/F – Mr T Herbert & Mr B Harper – Old Marley Lodge, Rattery – Conversion of Lodge to residential dwelling.
- c) Planning Permission Granted – Application no DK/39/1797/05/F – Mr & Mrs Parkins – Inglenook, Culver Lane – Erection of Conservatory.

### 6) Matters Arising.

- a) Drybridges Junction and Slipway A38 – A letter has been received from the Highways Agency which was read by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans. Parsons Brinckerhoff will be conducting a safety survey of the A38 between Dean Prior and Drybridge.
- b) Windy Corner Layby – Parking – A letter has been received from Dean Prior PC noting the Parish Councils comments.
- c) Rattery Village Sign and experimental traffic order review – This experimental order comes to an end this November – the matter will be carried forward to the January 06 meeting to write to DCC.

### 7) Correspondence.

- a) Questionnaire from Countrywise Consultants – Given to Cllr B Palk for completion.
- b) Totnes & Dartmouth Ring & Ride – request for funding - £15.00 – proposed by Cllr P Smerdon and seconded by Cllr M Daymond with all in agreement.
- c) DNPA – Dartmoor Visitor 2006 – Given to Cllr P Smerdon.
- d) South Hams CAB – request for funding - £15.00 – proposed by Cllr M Daymond and seconded by Cllr P Smerdon.
- e) SHDC Parish Cluster meeting – 29<sup>th</sup> November – Harbertonford Village Hall – Cllr P Smerdon to attend.

- f) DNPA – Local Development Framework – Issues and Options report - Given to Cllr B Palk.
- g) Copy letter from SHDC to Mr Swallow – Re: The Barn, The Plains, Rattery – This letter will be placed in the envelope for Cllrs perusal.

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

**8) Main Agenda**

- a) P3 Report – Cllr S Levy reported that Mrs Birkens hedge has been cut along the Footpath. Walked some of the Lanes and are all OK and tidy. Hedge Cutter still to be purchased.
- b) **Cllrs Reports** – None given.
- c) Highway Maintenance – Lengthsman satisfaction cards given to Cllr J Morel.
- d) Memorial Bench – This matter needs more discussion – a bench in memory of Cllr K Gambling was discussed and the cost split 3 ways, Social Club, Village Hall and Parish Council, however a clock was also suggested. Cllr P Smerdon will report back at the next meeting.
- e) Meeting Dates for 2006 – These have been given to all Parish Councillors.
- f) Rattery Web-site – The Chairman and Clerk have both tried to get onto the site and can't. Cllr P Smerdon thought the address had changed, but this will be checked and a report made at the next meeting.

**9) Cheques for Signature.**

Cheque no 365 – £10.00 Denbury PC (Shredder).

Cheque no 366 - £15.00 Petty Cash for Stamps

Cheques proposed by Cllr P Smerdon and seconded by Cllr J Morel

Bank Balance – November 2005 = £5,679.81

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.20pm – **Followed by Part 2 – Parish Councillors only.**

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2006 @ 8.00PM RATTERY VILLAGE HALL.

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