

RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 19th July 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 J Hampton, Cllr B Palk, D Cllr C Ramsay.

Attended by – No Public present.

Apologies – C Cllr T Pennington, Cllr M Daymond.

1) Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 14th June 2005.

The minutes of the above meeting has been distributed and read – Proposed by Cllr P Smerdon and seconded by Cllr J Morel with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr B Evans.

2) Police Report/Neighbourhood Watch.

A Police report had not been received.

3) Parishioners Question Time- No Public Present.

4) District and County Councillors Reports.

D Cllr C Ramsay – reported on the Fly Tipping and Littering initiative at SHDC who will have the power to give out fines, details will come though to the Parish Council soon. Parking meters in some areas have been drilled and money stolen. High Hedgerows between properties causing neighbours to dispute – fines could soon be given out – it will soon be decided how much these fines should be. SHDC – Chairmans Charity for the year will be Cancer Research. Travellers Sites – DCC is now pulling out of the responsibility of finding sites, this will now be down to the District Council to find suitable sites. Cllrs Smerdon and Evans confirmed that they had visited the proposed Travellers Site at Tigley to look at the plans and speak to the owner.

C Cllr T Pennington – Not in attendance.

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 39/1128/05/F – Mr Farrow-Jones – Medina Cottage, Rattery, South Brent TQ10 9LN – Erection of workshop, widening of existing access and erection of sign on workshop doors. No objections from the Parish Council – Proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr J Morel with all in agreement.
- b) Application no 39/1127/05/F – Mr & Mrs Evans – The Firs, Rattery, South Brent TQ10 9LD – Erection of Conservatory. Cllr B Evans declared an interest and left the room – Vice-Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon then took the Chair. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr S Levy and seconded by Cllr B Palk with all in agreement.
- c) Application no 39/1087/05/F – Mr Donoghue – Land at Rattery Mill TQ10 9LN – Erection of an Agricultural Building. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr B Palk and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

- d) Revised Drawing – Application nos 39/1021/05/F & 39/1022/05/F – Mr & Mrs Bruce – Higher Velwell Farm, Dartington, Totnes TQ9 6AD – Replacement of existing Conservatory, Extension, Alterations and construction of new Garage. The Parish Councils previous comments still stand – No objections to the Conservatory, however the proposed full glazed gable end of the extension is out of keeping with the Ancient Farmhouse. The proposed Garage seems quite excessive in size and we would suggest a 50% reduction.
- e) Letter received from SHDC – Application no 39/0269/05/F – Luscombe Farm, Higher Coombe, Buckfastleigh TQ11 OJD – Increase pitch of existing roof, enlargement of existing windows, insertion of new window and creation of gable end to the east end of the roof – This application has been withdrawn.

DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

- a) Planning Permission Refused – Application no 39/1706/04/F – Mr J Matthews – Land at Rattery, Devon TQ10 9LF – Retrospective application for the erection of an Agricultural Machinery and Feed/Hay store – The Clerk will ask Rick Crombie at SHDC what is happening regards enforcement action on this retrospective application which was refused.
- b) Planning Application Refused – Application no 39/0331/04/F – Mr A Buchanan – Luscombe Cottage, Colston Road, Buckfastleigh – Creation of Pond.

6) Matters Arising.

- a) Gate & Access Track at Cholwell Farm – Map reference SX759636 – Cllr P Smerdon will speak to Rick Crombie at SHDC and meet him if required.
- b) Rattery Recreation Field – The Clerk has received a reply from Dartington Hall trust who confirm that they are looking into the matter of the Leasing of the Field and will reply in due course.
- c) Visit to Heathfield Compost Plant – 26th July @ 11.00am – Cllrs Smerdon, Hampton, Daymond and Evans will attend.
- d) Drybridges Junction and Slipway A38 – The matter was raised at the last meeting and C Cllr T Pennington asked for the details so he could look into this. The matter will be carried forward to the next meeting as Cllr Pennington is not in attendance.
- e) Letter - The Standards Board for England – Nothing further has been heard but the Parish Council will write a letter of acknowledgement to the Standards Board and confirm that they would have liked to have been consulted on the matter before any judgement had been passed.

7) Correspondence.

- a) South Hams Local Development Framework – Comments by 5th August 2005 – This will be distributed with the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- b) E-Mail from South Brent PC – Best Local Food Awards 2005 – If the PC know anyone this is applicable to they are welcome to join in with the South Brent entry.
- c) Planning Master Class – 11th October 2005 – Placed in envelope – please let the Clerk know if you wish to attend.

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

8) Main Agenda

- a) P3 Report – Cllr S Levy reported that Roz is currently on Maternity leave. Richard Spurway is her replacement at DCC until she returns. Nothing much else to report – he has started to Strim the Green Lane opposite Mr & Mrs Wakehams.
- b) **Cllrs Reports** – No reports.

- c) Highway Maintenance – Mill Cross – The Drain is blocked and Grit has been washed down the road. A Map has been completed to send to John Halliday at DCC regards providing Horserider Signs ask what size they will be if we can have them and can smaller stick on ones be provided like to cycle route signs that went onto sign posts already in situ. Whilst writing the Clerk will also ask about the new Village Sign which was promised and has never arrived.
- d) Windy Corner Layby – Parking – This layby has been used by a Camper Van for overnight parking recently it goes away for a few days an then returns as it is technically in Dean Parish the Clerk will write to Dean Parish Council.
- e) Possible development at Old Torne – Parishioners have reported that there seems to be some light industrial workshops at this site and some building works going on – no application has been received and the Clerk will ask SHDC to check this out to see if any were needed.

9) **Cheques for Signature.**

Cheque no 359 - £8.50 Sharon Orchard (Anti-Virus Control for Computer).

Cheque proposed by Cllr B Palk and seconded by Cllr P Smerdon

Bank Balance – July 2005 = £3,891.55

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 6th September 2005 @ 8.000PM RATTERY
VILLAGE HALL.

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