

RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Tuesday 22nd November 2011 at Rattery Village Hall
Meeting Commenced at 8.00pm

Present - Cllr P Smerdon (Chairman), Cllr Mrs B Palk (Vice-Chair), Cllr J Hampton, Cllr B Evans, Cllr A Coker, Cllr Mrs R J Craw, C Cllr T Pennington.

Attended by – 1 member of the Public & Mr John Nutley – DNPA Parish Link Member

Apologies for absence – Cllr R Haigh.

1) Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 11th October 2011.

The minutes of the above meetings have been distributed to Cllrs and read, they were proposed by – Vice-Chair – Cllr Mrs B Palk and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon.

2) Police Report / Neighbourhood Watch – e-mail report received as follows – no crimes reported – 5 incident logs – 3 relating to the A38.

Police Monthly Surgery

Tuesday 8th November 2011, 1030 -1130 in the Village Hall

Tuesday 13th December 2011, 1030 – 1130 in the Village Hall

3) **Parishioners Question Time** - (15 minutes)

a) Mr John Nutley was present – he is the new Parish Link member for DNPA – he has lived in Ashburton for 17 years and on Ashburton Town Council and then voted onto the DNPA, he confirmed that he will try to come to at least 2 meetings a year as covering 8 parishes in total but any concerns or questions regards the DNPA can be relayed to him at any time through e-mail or phone call.

Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon raised the question of the Marley Head travellers site – Mr Nutley confirmed that enforcement orders are now waiting to go through on this.

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

a) C Cllr T Pennington - DCC Lisa Corston has confirmed that the road outside the village hall now on works list. DCC attended meeting with the Highways Agency regards Dry Bridge - it had a good reception and John Halliday spoke, the Highways Agency confirmed they will be making a bid for funding being backed up by the DCC to replace the Bridge, they will also do some remedial works on the structure to extend its life span before it is replaced.

b) D Cllr P Smerdon - Sherford Development has a site meeting next week followed by briefings and then a decision will be made, the previous application was for 5,500 homes but this may be decreased. Parish cluster meeting tomorrow night at SHDC, budget will be the next topic. Recycling - meeting what can be improved - suggestion of glass bottle collections from householders.

5) **Planning Applications & Decisions.**

Applications received from Dartmoor National Park - None.

Decisions received from Dartmoor National Park – None

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM South Hams District Council

a) Application no 39/2525/11/F – Mr C Murray – Pennywell Farm – Installation of 124no solar PV panels onto aluminium ground frames. Installation of 82no solar PV panels onto existing roof structure. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr B Evans and seconded by Cllr A Coker with all in agreement.

- b) Application no 39/2511/11/F – Mr & Mrs N Ferguson – Ash House, Rattery – Householder application for amendments to planning approval reference 39/1454/06/F for alteration and extension. No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Vice-Chair – Cllr Mrs B Palk & seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.
- c) Application no 39/2710/11/TW – Land at Cornmill, Rattery – Tree Works - No objections from the Parish Council – proposed by Cllr J Hampton & seconded by Cllr B Evans with all in agreement.

Planning Matters

- a) Letter from SHDC – Rick Crombie – Planning Enforcement – Ashbourne Farm (circulated by e-mail to Cllrs). Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon confirmed that a planning application may be forthcoming for this matter and then it can be dealt with in the usual way.
- b) Notice of Appeal Hearing – S P Fussell – Budock Vean, Mill Cross – Appeal against refusal of erection of timber frame agricultural building – 29th November 2011 – Follaton House, Totnes.

6) Matters Arising – None.

7) Correspondence.

- a) Dry Bridge – E-Mail received from the Highways Agency – confirmation that it will not be removed during this financial year and a bid for funding will be made for the next financial year to replace it.
- b) E-Mail from Totnes & Dartmouth Ring & Ride – request for a donation - £30 – proposed by Vice-Chair – Cllr Mrs B Palk and seconded by Cllr B Evans with all in agreement.
- c) Letter from Victim Support – request for a donation – the Parish Council felt that this was not a cause they would give to at present.
- d) DNPA – Parish Link member - Mr John Nutley who was present at the meeting.

Matters not requiring discussion placed in the folder for circulation.

8) Main Agenda.

- a) P3 Report – Cllr J Hampton - attended the P3 event at Kenton last week which was very informative. A Map of walking routes in the Parish needs to be revamped.
- b) Reports from members of the Parish Council -
 - 1) Cllr B Evans - water leak in the village by the green - SWWA have confirmed they are awaiting for the road closure order to be granted before repairs can be carried out.
- c) Highway Maintenance.
 - 1) Emergency Planning – request of Grit by Rutt House - some bags of salt will be put close by so access can be kept clear.
 - 2) Hedge Trimming - people within the village want hedges trimming and if it can be organised for it all to be done in one sweep of the village.
 - 3) Drain up by Penswill is blocked up and needs attention by the lengths man.
 - 4) Sweeper lorry has been through from SHDC.
- d) Play Area Inspection – letter from SHDC circulated to Cllrs, no items were identified that needed urgent attention. Seesaw - Chris Pooley the PCSO was making one but it seems that this may not be done now he has moved to the Plymouth area. The matter to be carried forward to the next meeting for further discussion and a survey of children to be carried out to ask them what they would like.

- e) Playing Fields Licence – Chairman – Cllr P Smerdon confirmed that he had received a request from Dartington asking if the Parish Council wanted a further 5 years agreement at £1 per year - all Cllrs in agreement to this proposal.
- f) Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations - possibly a beacon to be lit, a party and maybe mugs for local children in the Parish.

9) **Cheques for Signature.**

Cheque no 513 = £20.00 – Petty Cash for Stamps.

Cheque no 514 = £397.61 – Sharon Raggett (Clerks Wages Oct, Nov, Dec).

Cheque no 515 = £99.40 – HMRC (Clerks PAYE).

Bank Account November 2011 = £8,013.32

P3 = £277.30

Parish Plan = £150.00

Proposed by Cllr B Evans and seconded by Cllr J Hampton with all in agreement.

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.38pm NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - TUESDAY 3rd January 2012 - 8.00pm at RATTERY VILLAGE HALL.

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