

DENBURY & TORBRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 7th December 2015 at Denbury Village Hall
Meeting Commenced 7.30pm

Present – Cllr T Brownhill, Cllr Mrs E Heaver, Cllr R White, Cllr Mrs P Griffin, C Cllr A Dewhurst, Cllr C Stacey, D Cllr Mrs M Colclough, Cllr Mrs H Wills.

In Attendance – 6 Members of the Public, Iso Barnden.

Apologies for Absence – D Cllr D Smith

Declarations of Interest.

Co-Option of New Parish Councillor Mrs Helen Wills – Cllrs were pleased to co-opt and welcome Mrs Wills to the Parish Council.

1) **Public Time (Limited to 15 Minutes)** –

a) Jim Peck was present regards the Allotments and confirmed that the MOJ have suddenly decided they will not proceed with the Lease on the field. The local MP is looking into the reasoning for this and she is going to contact Micheal Gove Minister for Justice at the MOJ to see if anything further can be done. Nothing officially has been received from the MOJ but it is thought that Channings Wood Prison have stated they do not want it to go ahead but this also has not been received in writing. Chairman – Cllr Mrs E Heaver is happy to send another letter of support to MP Anne Marie Morris and C Cllr A Dewhurst will also contact her with a view to trying to get this matter sorted out.

2) **Minutes** – Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held – Monday 2nd November 2015 – The above minutes have been distributed and read. They were proposed by Cllr C Stacey and seconded by Cllr R White with all in agreement and duly signed by the Vice - Chairman – Cllr Mrs E Heaver.

3) **Planning Applications Received from TDC** –

Applications received from Teignbridge District Council

a) **Application no 15/02920/FUL – Mr P & Mrs T Blight – Stoneybrook, Orleigh Road – Retention of extension to existing stable block for rest facilities.**

1) This application is the subject of an enforcement notice – upheld at appeal earlier this year.

- 2) The proposed building is clearly visible from Orley Common, the surrounding countryside and nearby Listed Buildings. It is an unsightly flat-roofed addition to a simple stable building. The design and appearance is not sympathetic to the rural setting.
 - 3) The parish council strongly feel that by allowing this retrospective application it will be difficult to monitor the use of the site and would encourage the applicant to again use it as a dwelling. There are numerous stables in the area all without WC and washing machine facilities; it is not a requirement of private stabling to have 'rest' facilities. Two nearby Horse Racing Stables do not have such facilities in the stables complex only in the adjoining living accommodation?
 - 4) Given the protracted planning history on this site an approval of such facilities would not suitably discourage the use of the site as a dwelling house.
 - 5) Does the applicant have consent to discharge from the Environment Agency for a septic tank given the downstream is prone to flooding, and thereby pollution from an unsuitable treatment plant.
 - 6) Approval would set an undesirable precedent which would encourage neighbouring stables to apply for similar facilities which are not necessary.
- b) **Application no 15/03177/TPO – Prof Hyland – Chesten House, Woodland Road –** Pollarding of one Sycamore Tree – No objections from the Parish Council - proposed by Cllr C Stacey and seconded by Cllr T Brownhill with all in agreement.

Decisions Received from Teignbridge District Council

- a) Refusal of Planning Permission – Application no 15/02445/FUL – Mr & Mrs A Wills – Goosey Cottage, Heathfield Road – Two storey extension to east elevation.
- b) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 15/02265/FUL – Mr & Mrs R Hendy – Venn Farm – Stables.
- c) Variation of Condition Following Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 15/02484/VAR – Mr Edwards – Cross Park Bungalow, Bickington – Variation of condition 2 on planning approval 14/03364/COU for conversion of outbuilding to form single holiday accommodation unit for alteration of timber window with upvc.
- d) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 15/02469/FUL – Mr & Mrs D Stark – Tornewton Farm – Extension to an existing agricultural building.

4) Matters Arising

- a) Affordable Housing – Cllr Mrs E Heaver reported that she attended a meeting with Sue Southwell – CCD, Amy Luxton – TDC and Mr Aylett from the Glebe Estates Committee. The Glebe Estates does not sell any land unless it is for a market price. Amy Luxton went away to look at some possibility of doing a joint venture with Glebe Estates but the sums would have to work out. There is the possibility of another site but this will be reported back on at Januarys PC meeting when more is known.

- b) Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Mrs E Heaver reported that the school have given more feedback and also Torbryan have given feedback which will be added to the comments already received. A piece will go into the Denbury Diary and next meeting 14th December 2015 in the pub.
- c) Village Signs – Cllr C Stacey reported that 3 quotes have been obtained but these have proved to be quite pricy, other alternatives will be looked into and reported back at the next meeting.
- d) Parish Council Vacancies – still 2 vacancies.
- e) Post Office – nothing further has been heard and now with Christmas nothing further is expected to be heard until the middle of January 2016.
- f) Denbury Allotments – see public time.

5) Correspondence.

- a) Denbury Village Christmas Card – request for Donation - £25 proposed by Cllr T Brownhill and seconded by Cllr R White with all in agreement.
- b) Denbury Diary – Circulation, copies at Union Inn, School & Rising Sun. Louise confirmed that she is looking into increasing the print run, this will possibly increase costs.

6) Main Agenda.

- a) Report from County Councillor – A Dewhirst – see written report.
- b) Report from District Cllr Mrs M Colclough & District Cllr D Smith – Cllr Mrs M Colclough reported that she would be attending a meeting tomorrow at TDC to discuss devolution, more should be know next PC meeting on this, TDC will also discuss the possible purchase of Market Walk in Newton Abbot.
- c) Playing Field Management Report.
 - 1) Playing Field Fence Replacement – 3 quotes will be sought for this.
 - 2) Sports Pavillion – Sports England bid for the Pavillion will be applied for.
- d) Village Hall Management Committee Report – Cllr T Brownhill reported meeting on 12th November 2015 – new doors problem with opening and closing, stage curtains damaged to be attended to, Hall painting to take place. Clock mended and back in situ. Zoe Allen did trees and hedges maintenance, next meeting 14th January 2016.
- e) Report on Teignbridge Association of Local Councils – minutes have been circulated.
- f) Footpath Reports – nothing to report.
- g) Reports from Parish Councillors of any external meetings attended –
 - 1) Cllr Mrs E Heaver - Torbryan Church Heritage Lottery Fund – steering group meeting held and a public meeting has been held in the pub when the project was discussed. Many thanks to Rowena for her hard work on this project which is now progressing with the support of the Community.
- h) Highways Matters – repair works in Torbryan have been done, works from Wrenwell to Village have been done and job was very bad. C Cllr A Dewhirst will contact the Highways Engineer regards this, Cllr T Brownhill will take some photos and send these on.
- i) Christmas Lights – these will be put up shortly, Cllrs White, Brownhill and Stacey.
- j) Parish Council Sandbags – the 50 empty bags are still stored with Martin Ashford and need to be collected.

7) Cheques for Signature –

Cheque no 944 = £17.00 - RBL (Poppy Wreath).

Cheque no 945 = £36.00 – Denbury Village Hall (Hall Hire).

Cheque no 946 = £17.00 – NALC (Annual Sub).

Cheque no 947 = £36.19 – EDF (Cistern Electric).

Cheque no 948 = £594.00 – Sharon Raggett (Clerks Wages, Oct,Nov,Dec).

Cheque no 949 = £21.60 – HMRC (Clerks PAYE)

Current Bank Balance – Parish Council – December 2015 = £16,349.27

Audit for 2017 – opting out – all in agreement to opt out for 2017 Audit and to appoint Hania Lee Accountants, the current internal auditor to continue with the Audit.

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

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.03pm

Next Meeting - Denbury Village Hall - Monday 4th January 2016 – 7.30pm.

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