

COLYTON PARISH COUNCIL, FEOFFEES TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, COLYTON. EX24 6JR

# MINUTES FOR THE CPC MEETING HELD MONDAY AUGUST 13th 2018 AT 7PM IN THE MORTIMER ROOM OF THE TOWN HALL.

<u>Present:</u> Cllrs Parr, C Collier, B Collier, B Norris, C Pady, J Hay, K Clifford, R Watts. P Gibbins, S Real Cty Cllr H Parr, Dist Cllr M Shaw (for part of the meeting), 4 members of the public & E Berry (Clerk)

Request that those who are recording declare so and conform to standing orders.

## 18/08/71 Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence: Cllr A Jarman (work commitments), E Jones (in transit)

18/08/72 Police Report by email.

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OFFENCE	01/07/18 - 31/07/18	01/07/17 - 31/07/17	% Difference	
Violence with Injury	0	1	-100%	
Violence without injury	3	2	50%	
Burglary Dwelling	0	2	-100%	
Burglary Non-Dwelling	0	1	-100%	
Vehicle Offences	0	1	-100%	
Other Theft	1	1	0%	
Criminal Damage	1	4	-75%	
Total	5	12	-58.3%	

INCIDENTS RECORDED	01/07/18 - 31/7/18	01/07/17 - 31/07/17	% DIFFERENCE
Anti-Social Behaviour	2	2	0%
Crime Recorded	4	3	33.3%
Public Safety	17	14	21.4%
Transport	4	6	-33.3%
Total	27	25	8.0%

**18/08/73 Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Gibbins declared a personal interest in planning application 18/1602/CPE as he is friends with the family.

## **18/08/74 Public Question time** (maximum 15 minutes)

The resident of Yaffles stated that she had objected to the latest proposal on the site south of her property. The letter is on the website and expands on some of the previous points and the concerns raised by CPC.

18/08/75 The minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on  $9^{th}$  July 2018 were approved and signed as being a true record of that meeting.

18/08/76 There were no matters arising from the Minutes

18/08/77 Report from County Councillor – made later in the meeting but reported here in agenda order. Cllr Shaw briefly commented on his report which is attached (Appendix 1). He has allocated money from his Locality budget to the Promote Colyton Group (£250) to repaint the lamp/fountain in South Street Square and allocated money to support the Colyton Rainbow group. The Colyford VAS is now operational. It is hoped that local health matters will be discussed soon and clarification on Seaton Hospital's role in the bigger picture defined.

18/08/78 Report from District Councillor – Cllr Parr commented on two issues the Clerk had asked her to look into. The first was the removal of the litter bins from the recycling bring site. The bins were only there to accommodate rubbish generated by the site and as there was not a litter problem the bine were removed and will not be replaced unless the Parish Council pays for that service. She agreed it was not a helpful response. Cllr Hay felt this was EDDC 'taxing' holiday makers. This bin was on the pedestrian route into Colyton from the Tramway. Cllr Watts asked if due notice had been served on the removal of the bins?

Cllr Parr had also looked into the application for the extension to the Cemetery and the changing requirements from the Planning department who now want a signed letter by an ecologist stating that no endangered species will be affected by the extension. There was some discussion on the costs already incurred by CPC by their

initial demand for an environmental report. Cllr Real felt that the Planning department had not been at all helpful.

Cllr Parr will also email the Environmental Health report as she feels councillors will find it of interest in explaining where council tax goes and what services are provided.

## 18/08/79 Highway Matters

- a) Email from Cllr Shaw re Western Place & School (*sent to Cllrs*). This puts the onus on the school to discuss the parking issues and the solutions to it, including the suggestion made to them some time ago about a walking bus from the centre of Colyton, before DCC will react.
- b) Traffic Group Meeting notes (*sent to Cllrs*) Cllrs were disappointed that no mention of the collapse at Ridgeway had been made. This has been going on for years and Steven Kelly has been invited by Cllrs Pady & Hay to see for himself the problem but had not taken up that invitation. Cllr Pady proposed a letter be written to him reiterating the invitation and explaining the issue which needs to be resolved before next winter, seconded by Cllr Norris and agreed by all.
- c) TTRO Colyford Goose Fair 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1330-1400 A3052 Swan Hill Rd between Elm Farm Lane & Seaton Rd. 1100 1800 A3052 between Elm Farm Lane & Seaton Rd and Seaton Rd between Swan Hill Rd & Popes Lane

## 18/08/80 Report from Meetings Attended

- a) CLT An inaugural launch meeting was held with over 30 attendees. All were invites, at a cost of £1 to become voting members and support the objectives of the CLT to promote affordable homes in the Parish for local people. The CLT is now legally registered and a consultation is planned with Homes England on  $22^{nd}$  August.
- b) Traffic Group the notes have been circulated. Cllr Collier was dismayed that through the whole meeting Mr Kelly took no notes and questioned the point of the exercise!

## **18/08/81 Correspondence** - Publications e-mailed to councillors

- a) Intouch/RsN newsletters etc
- b) Email NALC newsletter
- c) Invitation to EDDC free event September 28th at Knowle one place for CPC
- d) Copy of Devon Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) plan
- e) AONB Summer newsletter
- f) Email response from Mr Glenn to Cllr Parrs letter of 12<sup>th</sup> July. The content of this letter was discussed especially in the context of the planning application on the Old cricket grounds and the accusations made, without evidence, by Mr Glenn. Cllr Parr will respond.
- g) DALC newsletter
- h) Email re 106 funding and the 'new' system which should make gaining information easier.
- i) Details of new National Planning Framework Document see below for link.
- j) Update from Inspector Groves (East Devon Regional Inspector) re the carrying of defibrillators in police patrol cars. Cllr Norris gave the background to this which stemmed from an erroneous report from our local police on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018.
- k) Invitation to attend Catchment Communities Conference in Honiton in October Cllr Pady interested. The Clerk will inform the organisers.
- l) Copy of exchange of emails between solicitors re sale of access off the Butts to the Old Orchard. On agenda for later in the meeting.
- m) Email from Colyton resident re the remaining charity bin at the recycling area plus comments on the condition the site has been left in and the state of the public gardens in Colyton. CPC are happy with the charity bin being left in place. The site had been further cleaned by EDDC. Parish gardens are maintained by volunteers to the best of their ability, the letter write has been offered the trough by the blue bridge and put in touch with the Promote Colyton Group.
- n) Details of the EDDC Communities together fund for volunteer & community groups.

## 18/08/82 Finance

Minutes of the meeting held Monday July 23rd (Appendix G ) to be noted

Cllr Pady proposed the accounts be paid, seconded by Cllr Watts and agreed by all,

DD	Opus	Electricity	£12.36	£0.62	£12.98
DD	Talk Talk	Phone & Broadband	£25.09	£5.01	£30.10
4114	CASH	Toilet caretaker invoice for July			£100

4115	Bradford Building Supplies	Postcrete for P3 work FP16	£5.39	£1.08	£6.47
4116	Halcyon	Cemetery Contract	£468.83	£93.77	£562.60
4117	B&S Chains	Swing seat & Chain	£103.46	£20.69	£124.15
4118	Colyford Memorial Hall	NP Consultation			£28
4119	Mole Avon Trading	10 x BOLTS (PT project)	£12.49	£2.50	£14.99
4120	Information Commission	Registration fee			£40
4121	Viridor	Waste Management	145.53	29.11	174.64

- a) Update on sell of access from the Butts. The builders have reiterated their request to be allowed to put the services in and pave the area which they would them buy if the title was sound. Cllr Parr had met with the Solicitor and felt title was good, he will speak again and see what progress had been made and this will be on the finance agenda.
- b) Funding of second VAS for Colyford. CPC had committed £500. A meeting in Colyford to discuss the rest of the funding is being held.
- c) Clerk request Annual Leave from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September (8 days). APPROVED
- d) Update on PCC grant for upgraded CCTV, the Clerk is in contact with the PCC and they are looking at alternative funding for the project.
- e) Tree work at Road Green. The third estimate had been received and having been given authority at the last meeting to engage the contractor submitting the winning bid the Clerk had contacted Jason Mair and asked him to do the work.

### **18/08/83** Planning

Minutes of the meeting held Monday July 23rd (Appendix H) to be noted

## a Planning Applications

### 18/0693/RES - Land South Of Yaffles Coly Road Colyton

Erection of 5 no. dwellings, formation of access and estate roads, footway and parking provision (application for approval of reserved matters including layout, scale, appearance, access and landscaping in respect of outline permission 15/0269/OUT granted under appeal reference APP/U1105/W/15/313 2115)

**NOT SUPPORTED** – proposed by Cllr Pady, seconded by Cllr Watts. Reiterate previous comments and mention unsuitability of the plan to 'net' the barrier between the houses and the river.

## 18/1602/CPE Land North of Every Hill, Shells Lane, Colyford

Certificate of Lawfulness to establish the construction and use of a cabin as a separate independent dwelling in excess of 4 years.

**NOT SUPPORTED** – proposed by Cllr Parr and seconded by Cllr Watts. Reiterate previous comments. This is a 'backdoor' attempt to get permission for something already refused and could open the door to further development of this kind in rural areas.

## 18/1804/LBC Higher Bolshayne Barn, Whitwell Lane, Colyford – Mr & Mrs Sinclair

Construction of single storey extension and porch.

Cllr Parr declared an interest as this is a personal friend.

**SUPPORTED** – proposed by Cllr Gibbins, seconded by Cllr Clifford.

## **b** Planning Decisions

18/1437/FUL - High Walls Cottage King Street Colyton EX24 6LF

Demolition of existing garage and construction of replacement garage.

**Approval** - standard time limit

## 18/1214/LBC St Andrews Church Hall Lower Church Street Colyton

Internal alterations to include the addition of partition walls at ground and first floor (amendments to application 17/0349/LB

**Approval** with conditions

#### 18/1531/FUL - Mill Close, Colyton.

Demolition of existing garages and wood store and replacement with garage/studio/store - alternative design to 16/1004/FUL including changes to roof, windows, addition of door and change of roof material - **Approval** with conditions

## **18/1352/FUL & 18/1353/LBC** – 3 Sunnyside, South Street, Colyton Refurbish outbuildings – **APPROVED**

18/1398/TRE The Vineyard, Seaton Road, Colyford

Fell re-coppice Ash trees, reduce and shape to make safe the structure and create visual symmetry. **APPROVED**;

## c Planning Correspondence

- i) New National Planning Policy framework document (NPPF) sent to Cllrs and downloaded for information.
  - $https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/728\\643/Revised\_NPPF\_2018.pdf$
- ii) For information Notification of the Adoption of the East Devon Villages Plan on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## 18/08/84 Update on Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Collier reported that an initial draft version (minus the Ceramtech site because as yet there is no planning application) has gone to EDDC and then will be available for a public consultation on  $22^{nd}$  September in Colyford and  $29^{th}$  September in Colyton. This will be well advertised and leaflets will be distributes to every household with the Carnival leaflets. Cllr Collier asked that the CPC pay the £30 cost of printing. This was proposed by Cllr Watts, seconded by Cllr Clifford and agreed by all.

### **18/08/85 Amenities**

- **a)** Update of playground fencing. Order in but company on a planned shutdown. Maintenance man on holiday so hope work could commence in September when the children are back in school
- **b)** EDDC AONB Acland Awards no nominations made.
- c) P3 work & Permissive Path Cllr Pady reported on a P3 meeting with wardens and ROW officers to prioritise the work that has been highlighted by the P3 annual reports. Work to FP27 is needed and contractors being asked to quote.
  - The Permissive path from Salters Lane/Whitwell Lane to Holyford Lane remains closed, it was hoped that further negotiation with the landowner could result in a compromise solution but at the moment there is little happening.
- d) Draft AONB Consultation on Draft Partnership Plan 2019-24 hard copy in office.

## 18/08/86 Colyton Memorial Social Club

Minutes of last meeting sent to all Councillors.

## 18/08/87 Reece Strawbridge Centre

Cllr Hay reported that disappointedly there had not been a recent meeting. He had been assured that the sewage pump problem had been rectified. The Accounts had nit yet been presented to the Parish Council for their records but will hopefully be available shortly. He reported that Ben Joslin had died. Cllr Pady proposed the Parish Council write a letter of condolence to his widow and acknowledge his long service to the community, seconded by Cllr hay and agreed by a majority vote.

The film shows remain successful and well advertised.

### 18/08/88 Fire exit from CPC Office in Town Hall

The Clerk was concerned that there is only one acceptable exit from the office (the windows do not open fully and the entrance through the strong room results in being 12-14 feet off the ground with no ladder and locked gates/door either end of the alleyway. Phil Richards had confirmed that both door are fire doors and should offer up to 30 minutes protection by which time the fire service will be in attendance.

**18/08/89 'Long parked' vehicle outside Colyton Cottage, Queen Square.** This is a white transit van parked long term in the parking spaces outside Colyton Cottage in Queens Square and being used by the cycle shop opposite as storage. The van is roadworthy and legal so at the moment there is little that can be done,

### 18/08/90 No matters to be taken into Committee

### 18/08/91 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published – to be noted

- i) Theft of railings and break-in at the Cemetery reported to Police CR072872-18 no further action.
- ii) Sewage pipe SWW & EA aware update on next agenda
- iii) Proposed merger of Devon & Cornwall & Dorset Police forces survey details emailed to Cllrs on next agenda for CPC comment.
- iv) Removal of litter bins at recycling site see Dist Cllr report.

### 28/08/92 Dates of future meetings:

Finance & Planning – Tuesday 28th August

**CPC** Meeting – Monday September 10<sup>th</sup> (Clerk away)

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

#### **APPENDIX 1**

### County Councillor's Report, August 2018

### County Council meeting: Wilmington A35, sexual harassment and Brexit

On 19 July, Devon County Council approved the proposal that they will be involved in discussions with Highways England to secure new proposals for improvements and the earliest possible implementation. I was also involved, with members of the A35 Action Group and the local Speedwatch team, in a BBC Spotlight report on the Wilmington case. The Council also approved the decision of the Standards Committee finding Cllr Brian Greenslade, former Lib Dem leader of the Council, guilty of sexual harrassment and bullying 10-15 years ago.

I am satisfied that the Council has taken this extremely seriously and has taken all measures possible against Cllr Greenslade, but we cannot require him to relinquish his seat. In the meeting, I supported the protest by Cllr Emma Brennan against his continuing presence in the Council.

The Council also discussed the threat, as a result of a recent parliamentary vote, that the UK may lose frictionless customs arrangements with the EU. I warned of the threat to 44 per cent of our trade - and more of Devon's, including agricultural goods - which a 'no deal' Brexit represents. However the Council majority voted again not to take a position on the issue.

Speed Limits and Highways Maintenance Working Groups I am on both these working groups at County Hall and attended the first meeting of the Speed Limits Group on 17 July. I will report on our findings in due course. Colyton Traffic Group I chaired this meeting on 23 July with representatives of 5 parishes. Neighbourhood Traffic Officer, Steve Kelly, updated us on forthcoming repairs between Northleigh Cross and Offwell Brook, below Drummerstone Cross, Offwell, and at Kingsdon, Colyton. Councillors made vigorous representations about other issues which I shall be following up with Steve..

**Colyford Vehicle Activated Signs** I may be tempting fate, but I am informed that the first sign (funded by my Locality Budget) will finally be erected by 1 August. The new pole required for the second sign is now in place, so when Colyton Parish Council and Colyford organisations have finalised funding arrangements, it can be ordered. I am told design work on the crossing is continuing.

**Seaton Down Hill** speeding I met with local residents on site and have made further suggestions about enforcement and signage to the police and Highways respectively.

The future of the community hospitals: decision postponed but the threat remains On 10 July, I attended a briefing on the Devon NHS Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP), at which county councillors were told that there was 'no rush' to decide the future of community hospital buildings. Contrary to Dr Simon Kerr's suggestion in April that decisions would be made in July, Dr Sonja Manton (STP) said there was no early deadline. She also confirmed to me that no decisions will be made about buildings until after the conclusion of the 'community conversations' such as Seaton Area Health Matters and Honiton Health Matters. However Dr Manton was launching the STP's two-year report, which report states: We know a large amount of space in our community hospital buildings is underused. The revenue cost of our community hospital estates is in the order of £20 million; money the NHS could use to improve other services.

Working with other public sector partners, as part of the One Public Estate initiative, we will review the space that is required to deliver care, and plan to consolidate the number of sites to free up estate and generate money, which can be re-invested in technology and infrastructure. The threat of closure remains and the issue is likely to come to a head around the end of the year.

Seaton Area Health Matters goes forward, developing case for local hospital I have attended several meetings which have helped the new Seaton Area Health Matters forum take shape (I am also kept informed of Honiton Health Matters). With Dr Mark Welland (Chair of the League of Friends), Geoff Pook (EDDC, Beer), Jack Rowland (Seaton Town Council) and Victoria Parry (HALFF), I am a member of a working group which is considering how the health needs of the area, services which can be provided locally and the community hospital can be matched. I was

informed by the RD&E earlier in the month that they were taking stock of local services and would share the data in a conversation with the local forums, with a view to decisions about the future organisation of services in local communities. However I have heard unofficially that this will not now happen, which is disappointing, and I am seeking clarification. Honiton maternity services

It also appeared from the STP meeting that midwife-led maternity services are unlikely to be restored in Honiton. References were made to staffing difficulties and also safety issues in case of difficulties during birth. Seaton care home graded 'Outstanding' by Care Quality Commission The Check House in Seaton has been rated 'Outstanding' by the Care Quality Commission. I have written to Robin Cannon of Cannon Homes to congratulate him and his staff.

**NHS Support worker jobs available** now in Sidmouth, Seaton and Axminster Richard Anderson, the Health and Social Care Community Services Manager for Sidmouth, Axminster and Seaton, has asked me to publicise the fact that NHS Support Worker jobs are available now in the three towns. Good rates of pay, pension etc. Ring Julia Blake on 07592 579919.