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Minutes of the meeting of Shirwell Parish Council
held on the
12th February 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall

Present

Cllr M Pine Chairman
Cllr J Friend Vice Chairman
Cllr A Conibear
Cllr Mrs N Incedon
Cllr Mrs D Lewis
Cllr R Pelling

Also in attendance District Councillor J Tucker (part meeting) PCSO A Berry and 5 members of the public

Officer G Dwyer Clerk

Apologies for Absence

Cllr D Tucker

With members permission the Chairman brought forward Agenda item 9 (the Police Representatives report) to enable him to carry out his other duties

Report of the Police Representative

The following report was emailed to members prior to the meeting

Crime Report

Shirwell Parish Council

01st January 2015 – 31st January 2015

This Report comprises all incidents recorded and crimes recorded within the time frame stated above, as recorded with Devon and Cornwall Police. It also contains any proactive policing / other policing operations that might have taken place. All statistics are gathered from the Shirwell area only, and are in accordance with Data Protection legislation:

INCIDENTS (0)

No relevant incidents this month

RECORDED CRIMES (0)

No crimes this month

OTHER OPERATIONS

We will continue to conduct speed monitoring/enforcement over the next months

OTHER INCIDENTS TO BE AWARE OF

Please be aware that this time of year is a prime time for fuel tanks to be

broken into so please be aware of this and report any suspicious behaviour. Please consider the weather conditions whilst out driving over winter, if the road conditions worsen due to poor weather please reduce your speed whilst driving and please do not attempt to pass through any flood water that is likely to be impassable.

Any questions arising from this crime report should be directed towards your local Police officer, PCSO Adam Berry 30626
Email: 30626@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

Questions to the Police Representative

Cllr Mrs Lewis commented that travellers had attempted to sell a generator to them at their farm and that she had reported the incident to the Police

Public Question Time

The Chairman suspended standing orders to enable members of the Public to ask questions

- A member of the public asked when was the correct time to raise questions at the meeting and was advised that this was a slot reserved for members of the Public although it was possible to suspend standing orders at other times in the meeting to allow questions to be asked
- Questions were asked as to whether there were still weight restrictions on the new Collard Bridge **RESOLVED** the Clerk to ask the County Councillor
- It was reported that a property on the Glebe was wrongly advertised as having Planning Permission for the erection of Stables (to be raised later in the meeting with the District Councillor)
- There had been at least two incidents of waste burning on the Glebe and poor control of polystyrene packing etc. **RESOLVED** that NDC be informed

The meeting resumed under standing orders

Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th January 2015

RESOLVED that the minutes as previously circulated be approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

- **Village scheme funded with sec'n 106 money.** No progress since the letter from Mr F Newton, to be considered again at the next meeting
- **Joint Bid with east Down TAP fund** The possibility of TAP funding for adding a broadband connection through Wild West Funding was discussed **RESOLVED** Clerk to obtain details and forward to Chairman . Details of signs, gullies etc. that need attention to be forwarded to the Clerk urgently

Matters brought forward from the Previous Meeting

Already discussed

Cheques for Payment

Cheques for the Clerk's salary (£100.00) Methodist Church circuit (£75.00), Shirwell Parish Church (£150.00) Shirwell Village Hall (£400.00) and Clevera Website Hosting were approved at the meeting. The cheques to be sent out when the new cheque book is received

Report of the County Councillor

There was no report

Questions to the County Councillor

There were no questions other than the weight limit on Collard Bridge already raised

Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received

- **Letter requesting the Parish Council apply for the cost a hearing loop system in the Village Hall.** Members discussed the letter and it was noted that the issue had been raised and dealt with some time ago. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to Mrs Deacon explaining that the Village hall was the responsibility of the Village Hall Committee and requests for changed or improvements should be made direct directly to them.
- **DALC** – Local Government Finance settlement (previously emailed)
- **DALC** – Preparing for elections (previously emailed)
- A letter has been received from Mrs J Squire expressing her and her families appreciation for the thought that went into siting the memorial bench on the Village Green in memory of her late husband

Planning Applications

- **Application 58352** Agricultural building works prior approval application for erection of one agricultural storage building at field at Easting 259761, Northing 139179 Grid Reference 259743;139152 Shirwell Barnstaple **RESOLVED** to note that a decision note had been sent prior the Parish Councils meeting

Planning Decisions

- Application 58436 erection of one building to store fuel for biomass boiler (with solar voltaic panels on roof) at Coxleigh Barton Shirwell – **Approved**
- **Application 58352** Agricultural building works prior approval application for erection of one agricultural storage building at field at Easting 259761,

Northing 139179 Grid Reference 259743;139152 Shirwell Barnstaple –
Approved

- **Application 57581** Installation of 27.5m column mast with 6 no. antennas, 2 no. 300mm dishes, radio equipment housing & ancillary development in South West corner of field at land south of Youlston Park Shirwell Road (A39) Shirwell Barnstaple- **Approved**

Report of the District Councillor

The District Councillor reported briefly on the following

- NDC had completed the preparation of their new website which was more user friendly
- The noise levels from Fullabrook are still intrusive for local residents and higher than the permissions allow. Monitoring is taking place and action will be taken to ensure the levels should be within target by September 2015
- Lobbying at Parliamentary level is taking place regarding the effects on health of 'legal highs' it is hoped they will be banned by the end of this parliament (May 2015)
- North Devon Executive will consider their precept at the next Executive meeting, it is expected they will resolve to maintain it at the present level

Questions to the District Councillor

Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the Public to address District Councillor Tucker

Members of the public expressed their concerns at the conduct of building work, noisome bonfires and inaccurate information regarding planning permissions on sale' notices for properties at the Glebe site. Councillor Tucker undertook to raise this with the Council officers concerned

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Report from Councillors

- Concern was raised again at the safety aspects of Gullies flooding and freezing creating a skid hazard **RESOLVED** that this be raised with the County Councillor. If possible the gully to be cleaned from a TAP fund scheme, if not successful then prospect of a surface gully to be examined
- Strawberry Lane stream had been polluted recently. **RESOLVED** that should this occur again it be reported to the Environment Agency
- Details of possible small scale chipping placement sites at Upcott Jnc and Burr ridge to be passed to the Clerk

Clerks Report

The Clerk advised Councillors that as in previous years Mr B Sherwin had agreed to Audit the Parish Councils accounts

Urgent Business

There was none

The meeting closed at 8.23 pm

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....