

**Notes from on-line meeting and emailed discussion held by members of
Shirwell Parish Council
on the 8th April 2021**

Present

Cllr J Friend (Chairman)
Cllr Ms L Campbell (Vice Chairman)
Cllr R Pelling
Cllr Mrs S Pine
Cllr S Shortridge
Cllr N Turner
Cllr J Watts

Also on-line County Councillor A Davis.

NB. The meeting scheduled for today had been cancelled due to restrictions on public gatherings brought about by Corona virus 19

Officer

G Dwyer (Clerk)

The Chairman opened the meeting by explaining that as we were not so time limited as the County Councillor had funded a years subscription to Zoom from her locality budget

Apr21/1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr R Pelling and District Councillor J Tucker

Apr21/2 Public Question Time

Not relevant as there was no public meeting

**Apr21/3 Minutes of the online and email discussion held on the 11th
March 2021**

RESOLVED that the notes as previously circulated be approved.

Apr21/4 Matters Arising

All matters arising were on the agenda

Apr21/5 Inspection of Defibrillator

The defibrillator had been inspected and cleaned by a member of the Public on the Councils behalf.

Apr21/6 Cheques for Payment

Payment for the Clerk's salary (£125.00) Kameleon Website hosting and work to the website (£147.24), Dalc annual subscription (£95.59) Cheques to be signed outside the meeting by Cllrs Pelling and Friend.

Apr21/7 Report of the County Councillor

The County Councillor had emailed her report a copy of which will be attached to these minutes.

Councillors discussed the proposed meeting with Marwood Parish Council, the County Council and Euroforest

Cllr Mrs S Pine declared a prejudicial interest in this matter, muted her microphone and took no part in the debate.

Members discussed at length the options open to them and it was

RESOLVED that

- That a joint meeting with Marwood Parish Council, Devon County Council and Euroforest be held as soon as possible.
- That Cllrs Friend, Shortridge and Watts be given delegated powers to act on the Councils behalf at the meeting.
- Cllr Watts to unofficially seek information from his contacts on various ways of extracting the timber with minimum disruption to traffic.
- The Clerk to liaise with all parties to set a date for the meeting, it can be held at Shirwell Village hall if necessary.

Apr21/8 Questions to the County Councillor

There were none other than those raised later under Reports from Councillors

Apr21/9 Report of the District Councillor

The regular email updates have been distributed.

Apr21/10 Questions to the District Councillor

There were none.

Apr21/11 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated to Councillors

Dalc Newsletter

General information on current Covid stats etc.

Correspondence from Mrs Deakins. Members discussed the letters from Mrs Deakins to the Chairman and the Clerk. After discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the draft reply circulated by the Clerk be sent

Apr21/12 Planning Applications

- **Application 73096** Erect a roof over an existing farm yard manure store & part of the yard at Waytown Farm Shirwell Barnstaple Devon EX31 4JN **RESOLVED** to recommend approval
- **Application 73107** Creation of agricultural access at Land at Burrige Shirwell Road Barnstaple Devon EX31 4JH. It was noted that the key elements off this application were 'site line and access' related. Members were concerned at the danger to road users that this proposal would cause if it was approved and **RESOLVED** to recommend refusal
- **Application 73095** Variation of condition 4 (Use for B8) attached to planning permission 71374 (erection of one industrial building (Use Class B8 - storage and distribution) to allow limit to B8 use generally other than in units 1,2 and 3 which can be used for the display of motorcycles for sale (unit 1 and 2) and for servicing motorcycles (unit 3) at Coxleigh Barton Shirwell Barnstaple Devon EX31 4JL Members felt that allowing this variation would materially alter the approval granted under application 71374 and were concerned at the impact that the increased access traffic generated would have. They felt that the approval for the site should be reassessed rather than treating it as an amendment and **RESOLVED** to recommend refusal.

Apr21/13 Planning Decisions

There were none

Apr21/14 Reports from Councillors

- A Councillor questioned the tents etc that had been put up in the Cott Down area and questioned the legality of it. **RESOLVED** precise location details to be sent to the Clerk who would pass them on to NDC.
- The Shirwell sign pointing to Shirwell Town needs repairing. **RESOLVED** the Councillor to log it on the DCC website.
- The gravel edging on the roadside by the new Bungalows on School Lane has encroached onto the road and will block the recently cleared drain. **RESOLVED** to be raised with the Building Control Officer.
- The possibility of extending the 30mph speed restriction on the B3230 at Muddiford to be discussed at the May meeting. Cllr Mrs Pine to supply location details to the Clerk

Apr21/15 Clerks Report

The Clerk had nothing to report

Apr21/16 Public Questions regarding business on this agenda

Not relevant

Apr21/17 Urgent Business

There was none.

The meeting closed at 8.28

Chairman:.....

Dated:.....

**Shirwell Parish Council
County Councillors Report
April 2021**

Devon Recycling Centres are still open, with restrictions.

Our recycling centres are still open, **they are very busy**, although the resale areas within them are closed.

If you make a visit to the recycling centre, please expect them to be operating differently during this lockdown period.

Restrictions are in place, including social distancing, which may lead to queues. If queues do start forming, we may need to restrict vehicles from joining the queues towards the end of the day and if queues become a safety hazard on the public highway, we may need to temporarily close the site.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/document/waste-disposal-and-recycling/>

Devon's Resource & Waste Management Strategy

Residents and businesses are invited to have their say on the draft Resource and Waste Management Strategy for Devon and Torbay. The Public Consultation runs from Wednesday 3 March to Wednesday 14 April, and the responses will help shape how Local Authority Collected Waste is managed in Devon up to 2030.

The new document will present how the 10 councils responsible for waste collection or disposal in Devon, will continue to work with residents to try to reduce the amount of household waste created and continue to ensure that waste is managed in a sustainable and cost-efficient manner.

The last review of Devon's Resource & Waste Management Strategy was in 2013, and since then there has been a range of developments which impact on waste management services.

These include changes in national waste policy with the publication of the Government's Resource and Waste Management Strategy in 2018 as well as other waste consultations around a consistent waste collection service, deposit return scheme for drinks containers and an extended producer responsibility scheme for packaging materials. Other impacts include climate change and Brexit.

Consultees are invited to read the draft strategy and then respond to a series of questions on subjects including reducing carbon emissions, food waste, reducing waste, increasing recycling and reuse.

The consultation responses will then be reviewed, and an amended strategy will be presented for final approval to the Devon Authorities Strategic Waste Committee (DASWC) and individual councils this summer, with the intention to publish the final strategy at the end of the year.

The focus is on waste prevention, reuse and recycling as well as reducing the carbon impact of waste management.

By working together closely and sharing resources Devon's authorities achieved a recycling rate of 56.6 per cent (2019/20) maintaining our position near the top of the English recycling league.

However, there are ever more challenging targets to be met and this strategy describes the way in which local authorities within Devon and Torbay will manage resources and waste we are responsible for over the next decade and to set out our policies and targets.

The strategy and to give your views here [using the online questionnaire](#).

Coronavirus updates from Devon County Council

The link below may be of interest to residents with the situation changing and many interested in what is happening locally this link is a useful starting point for questions and the current situation in Devon.

The link takes you to the Covid-19 pages on the Devon County Council Website, it has daily updated information as to positive cases within the area, information about testing and track and trace.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/coronavirus-data/>

Barnstaple Community Testing Centre,

The Test centre is in the car park at Barnstaple's Taw View, Civic Centre, on North Walk road, and will be open 9am to 5pm, seven days a week, with extended hours 7am to 7pm on Mondays and Thursdays. It provides lateral flow tests for anyone who leaves the house to work or volunteer, and who comes into contact with others.

The results are back with you within the hour. If you test positive, you'll be asked to self-isolate for ten days. If you're negative, you can continue your day.

Community Testing Centres are for people who are not showing any symptoms and who aren't already accessing regular testing, through their employer for example.

To book a rapid test and to find out more about Community Testing in Devon, visit devon.cc/testing

The following people in England now have access to regular rapid lateral flow testing:

- Secondary school pupils and college students
- Staff of primary and secondary schools, nurseries and colleges
- People who live with or look after children at pre-school or nursery, primary and secondary school and college
- People who live with or who care for staff who work in nurseries, primary and secondary school and college
- And anyone who works in professions related to childcare and schools, including child minders, foster carers, breakfast club and after-school club workers, and drivers of children to school or college.

Rapid tests can be taken at home using home test kits, [available online from the NHS](#) or to [collect from NHS testing sites](#).

Home test kits are not yet available from the Devon County Council community testing sites – we've applied to have them available to collect from the testing sites, and we're waiting to hear from the government.

Reminder about reporting a highway problem:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>
telephone: [0345 155 1004](tel:03451551004)

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