

SHEBBEAR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Tuesday August 9th 2011 in the Church Room. Shebbear.

Present:

Chairman: Cllr R Clark.

Cllrs: P Lomax. M Wells. J Stupple. T Carr. J Curtis.

1 member of the public. Clerk. David Walker.

Agenda. 2011. Commenced at 7-30 pm.

Opening the meeting, Chairman welcomed Cllr Tony Carr to his inaugural attendance.

74. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr R Gliddon (Away). Cllr E Haste. (Business trip). Cllr Dungate (Prev committment).
Cllr H Davis (On holiday). D/Cllr J Lewis. (TDC meeting).

75. Public Participation Period.

No requests received.

76. Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda/ Any variations to Members Registration of Interests.

None declared.

77. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday July 12th 2011.

All in agreement that the Draft Minutes, which had been previously circulated, be approved and signed as a correct record.

78. Clerks Report. Any matters arising from the Minutes.

West Country Concrete Clerk had made a request to TDC in mid July to establish the progress of the Environmental Permit application. All the submissions from interested parties have been considered but TDC still need more time to assess the situation before a decision to refuse or issue a permit can be made. They have accordingly sent WCC an Information Notice asking for all necessary information, to be returned within 4 weeks. More recently Clerk had reported to TDC, following a complaint, that cement effluent was coming out of a road drain below the works entrance and running down Hay Hill.

Road Signs. The defective sign posts at Hayes Cross and Rowden Chapel have been reported to Devon Highways.

Devon Homechoice. Clerk is now receiving the weekly Homechoice newsletter and is able to give any local persons the earliest opportunity to bid for vacant properties becoming available. The information is available on the notice board, on Shebbear and Buckland Filleigh Villages website, or direct from the Clerk.

Bank signatures mandate Completed and delivered to Natwest who are processing the variation.

Tithe Map. Ron Ackland has returned the map to North Devon Records Office and the archivist has sent it to Exeter to be assessed for repair. There will be no charge for the assessment.. NDRO point out that there is now a digitised version available on CD, making public access easier and meaning the map itself can remain in controlled storage. Cllrs agreed that the matter be taken forward after the cost of repair is made known.

Wind Turbines Clerk mentioned that the two latest screening applications, at Battledown Farm and Alscott, were to be sited in Buckland Filleigh and Peters Marland parishes respectively, so Shebbear would not be the primary recipient of any planning applications. Cllrs were already aware of a number of objections being raised ahead of any full applications being received. Chairman suggested that a public meeting would be an appropriate means of allowing the matter to be fully considered. The details to be discussed at a future meeting.

Grit bins Clerk will ascertain whether further grit bins are to be allocated to the parish as there was supposed to be one sited at Ackland Close, which although shown on the DCC list has not been delivered. Barry Hunt has also enquired about a bin for the Village Hall area.

79. Agenda items for Discussion and Resolution.

- (1) Cllrs all in favour that Cllr Davis and Cllr Wells be the parish council representatives on the Parish Lands Committee, both Cllrs having already expressed their willingness to serve.
- (2) Fixed asset review. Cllr Lomax and Clerk had carried out the annual review on July 27th. Most items were in satisfactory condition. Recommendations were received that the bus shelter should receive frequent monitoring as the wooden construction was deteriorating. Also, Canteen phone box, now council property, was in need of repainting. Cllr Lomax offered to carry this out. Proposed Cllr Wells, seconded Cllr Stupple, with all in favour, that the review be approved. The suggestion was made that the Tithe Map be included in the list of assets. Clerk will clarify with NDRO the position re ownership.
- (3) Road Gritter C/Cllr Barry Parsons has ordered a towable gritter for Shebbear parish. Mr Graeme Quance at Wootton Farm has agreed to assist with Snow Warden duties, using his expertise gained in keeping Pitt Hill and Gidcott Road clear in previous hard winters.

80. District Councillors Report.

No report this month.

81. Planning.

- (a) New Applications.
None received.
- (b) Applications Granted.
1/0428/2011/FUL. Outdoor shelter and learning area for Little Bears. Cllrs commented that work is already under way.
- (c) Applications Withdrawn.
None
- (d) Relevant adjacent applications. None

82. Finance.

- (a) To approve items for payment.
All in favour that the DALC training invoice (£66.00) be paid.
Bank Balances to July 29th, received by Cllrs. Current a/c - £2,669.12 Reserve a/c £12,521.89 (Includes P3 reserve balance of £1610.36).

83. Correspondence.

- (1) Winsford Trust. Cllrs received details of the costs of running the Luncheon Club, and for the benefit of new Cllrs, a summary of the history of Winsford Hospital and the efforts to preserve the listed building after its closure.
- Cllrs Circulation. None.

84. Items for the next Council Meeting Agenda to be held on Tuesday September 13th 2011, and any other matters at the Chairmans discretion.

There being no other Business the Meeting ended at 9-05 pm.

Signed..... Dated.....