

SHEBBEAR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Tuesday October 12th 2010 in the Church Room. Shebbear.

Present:

Chairman: Cllr R Clark. Cllrs: G Slade. H Davis. J Curtis. R Gliddon. J Dungate. P Lomax.

No members of the public. Clerk. David Walker.

Agenda. 2010. Commenced at 7-30 pm.

92. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr R Johns (Holiday). Cllr E Haste. (Away on business). PCSO Baker (Prev Commitment).
D/Cllr Saywell. (At another meeting previously arranged).

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

None received.

94. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on September 14th 2010.

Cllr Dungate requested that, in Item 83/ Declarations, the words "is expecting to work on the projects" be replaced by "had worked for the applicant in the past, and may in the future". This being done, all were in agreement that the Draft Minutes, which had been previously circulated, be approved and signed as a correct record.

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

Allotments. Clerk reported that he had written to Mrs Julia Goaman asking if a plot of ground suitable for an allotment site might be available. Mrs Goaman had suggested that land behind the trading estate at Lake could possibly be made available subject to further consideration and proper agreement. Cllrs initial response was that the site would be suitable in many ways and all were in favour that a management committee be set up by the applicants, with the support of the parish council, to look at the proposal in more detail and liaise with Mrs Goaman with the intention of taking the matter further. Cllr Clark offered to assist in setting up the management committee.

Lake trading estate. With regard to the past complaints about the apparently abandoned HGV on the estate road, Clerk had made a further approach to CS garage, who have previously stated that they knew the owner and would ask for the vehicle to be removed, to no avail, as it is now surrounded with weeds, is being slowly dismantled and is a hazard. On this occasion Clerk pointed out that as the road has now been adopted, it is now public highway and could be a matter for the Police. CS said that they would try again to notify the owner.

96. Agenda items for Discussion and Resolution.

(a) Parish Councillor vacancy. Clerk reported that the Elections Officer at TDC had written to say that after the publicised statutory Period of Notice, which ended on the 7th October, no nominations had been received and no request had been made for an election to take place and that the parish council must now proceed to fill the vacancy by Co-option. Clerk had already placed notices advertising the vacancy on the notice boards and the Shebbear & Buckland Filleigh website. Cllrs were all in agreement that the period up until November 1st, before the next meeting on November 9th, would allow sufficient time for any applicants to come forward and be considered at that meeting.

(b) Review of Risk Assessment. Proposed by Cllr Lomax, seconded by Cllr Davis with all in favour, that the Reviewed Risk Assessment, previously circulated, be adopted.

97. District Councillors Report.

No report this month as D/Cllr Saywell is attending another meeting.

98. Planning.

- (a) New Applications. None Received.
- (b) Applications Refused. None.
- (c) Applications Granted. 1/0685/2010/FUL. Retrospective application for 2nd agricultural workers dwelling at Stoneleigh Farm, Shebbear.
- (d) Refused applications to appeal. 1/0620/2010/FUL. Dwelling on part garden at Byrne Vale. Shebbear.
- (e) Relevant adjacent applications. None.

99. Finance.

- (1) Cllrs considered the half year accounts to Sept 30th 2010, which had been circulated before the meeting, Proposed by Cllr Curtis and seconded by Cllr Llomax, with all in favour that these be accepted.
 - (2) Accounts for payment, prop Cllr Dungate, seconded Cllr Curtis, with all in favour that item (a) be paid.
 - (3) The current balance of the years budget was considered by Cllrs and adjustments made to allow for unforeseen payments, the main one being the increase in the Clerks hours, with funds to be transferred from the parish projects budget. Proposed, Cllr Davis, Seconded Cllr Lomax, with all in favour, that the resulting figures be accepted.
 - (4) Shebbear Village Hall improvements. Release of grant funds. Clerk had been informed that the work will be commencing on Monday 18th Oct. Agreed that Cllrs will need to see work under way, and the projected costings, prior to the release of the grant.
- Bank Balances
Previously circulated and received by Cllrs.

100. Correspondence.

- (1) Councillor training. Cllrs Curtis and Dungate expressed interest in attending the New Cllr training course in Chilsworthy on Nov 3rd. Clerk will make the arrangements.
- Circulation Folder Received by Cllrs.

101. Items for the Council Meeting Agenda on Tuesday November 9th 2010, and any other business at the Chairmans discretion.

To consider any Coopted Councillor vacancy applications.
The road drains in the vicinity of CS garage still seemed to be blocked despite having, allegedly, been cleaned out recently. Clerk to contact Highways.
Cllr Lomax had been contacted about the lack of provision for young people locally. As this is a very difficult issue to address, it was suggested that enquiries be made to see how other communities are tackling the subject and what is the Police view on the matter.

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