

Parish Council Meeting 1st August 2016

Present : Chairman C Davis, Vice-Chairman R Broome, Parish Councillors M Simmons, S Landfear and L Dyas.

Also present District Councillor D Smith together with 6 Parishioners Neighbourhood Plan presentation – revised Draft for Approval

The Neighbourhood Plan Committee introduced their Consultant Peter Sandover, who gave the Council an update on the amendments to the Draft Plan. Once the Parish Council has approved the submission of this document as a Pre-Submission Draft Plan it will move on to consultation, examination to ensure dove-tailing with District and other Plans and then to a Referendum for the Parishioners to vote to approve the Plan or not.

Having listened to the presentation and having previously had access to the amended Draft Plan, it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by the Vice-Chairman and all present agreed that the Parish Council approves the submission of the Draft Plan as a Pre-Submission Draft for the next stage in consultation.

Apologies – Cllrs. Barker, Colclough and Flower

Declarations – Members to declare any interests in matters for Discussion.

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 11th July 2016 - Approved and signed by the Chairman

County Councillor - see apologies

District Councillor – Cllr Dennis Smith gave an update on Waste disposal and recycling of waste and advised that this is to be reviewed in September.

Planning –

2.1 –Planning Applications –No new Planning Applications

2.2 Play Area at Dawes Close – Consideration of upgrade – Cllrs Dyas and Landfear have been looking at possibilities to upgrade and improve the whole Dawes Close site owned by the Parish Council and have approached several providers for suggestions and pricing for the Council to consider. Cllr. Simmons advised that we should look at what is in the Neighbourhood Plan as consultations on what parishioners would like to see at Dawes Close has informed the Plan. This item will be on the next Agenda for further consideration. It was agreed that Devon Communities Together could be helpful and as Ogwell PC is a member of that organisation we will contact them.

2.3 Meeting with Linden Homes and Teignbridge - Chairman will chase TDC (Mrs Murdoch) re Linden Homes and the timeline to carry out revised Plans and Cllrs Landfear and Dyas will continue to clarify amounts and destinations of 106 monies.

2.4 Use of Canada Hill School for occasional meetings Cllr Landfear contacted the School, rooms are available for meetings – possible parking issues with others using the School and we await further details on the cost of hiring a room for meetings.

2.5 Forest School and Play Area on Green – Forest bark now in place at a cost of £751.68 including VAT and Dog signs also in place. Rob Ballard and the pre-School are now going ahead with the Forest School.

2.6 Power on the Green – Cheque issued to Western Power who requested funds up front and work to start shortly. Once they have completed the road crossing and duct the trench to the cabinet site can be made.

3.Paths and Highways –

3.1 Reynell Road – Gravel in road – A letter has been sent to each offending household so we will see if this makes a difference.

3.2 Ogwell and Holbeam Bridlepaths - Various members of the Community using the Green lanes are pursuing possible solutions to get some improvement/repair.

3.3. Drains on Canada Hill – These are blocked as is the drain near the Memorial Hall, which has been reported. Will chase DCC for clearance.

4. Communications

4.1 Report and update- Re Website – Cllr. Broome advised that he has identified a course that he can attend to improve Web-site skills.

4.2 Basecamp – consideration of usage and cost - Cllr Simmons advised that it will cost some £15-£20 per month to have Basecamp continue as a means of storing documents and we do need a facility of this sort. When we have more exact figures a formal proposal can be made to adopt Basecamp.

5. Democracy

5.1 Finance Report – Cheques written since last Meeting and confirmed– Simon Jones 270.00 Grass cutting, Alert Electrical Services SW Ltd £161.23 Installation of Light Sensors in Toilet Block, Day Signs £24.00 two “No Dogs allowed” signs for Play Area, Western Power £1,686.48 re supplying Power to the Green, Sandover Associates £1,165.00 re Neighbourhood Plan, AHS Ltd £751.68 Bark for Play Area, C Creese £15.00 re Community Gardening Project, Teignbridge DC £275.00 Weed treatment around Parish

Online Banking – Details circulated re Online Banking and the safeguards for consideration. Clerk has contacted Lloyds Bank and is awaiting further details of the practicalities and will update at the next meeting.

5.2 TALC Meeting - This took place on July 28th and Cllr. Broome will circulate the Minutes when produced.

5.3 Solar Farm – Community Benefit Payment - the signed deed was returned to Martifer Solar U K Ltd in February 2016 and the payment of £19,152.54 is still awaited. The Chairman is in consultation with Kate Corvil of ORTA Solar and Freeths Solicitors to expedite payment. Telephone messages are going to voicemail and we continue to chase.

5.4 Casual Vacancies - Brian Penfold who is involved with the Fair Committee was asked to attend this meeting. He didn't show and will be contacted to see if he remains interested.

6. Any Urgent Matters at the discretion of the Chairman –

6.1. Request from Neighbourhood Planning Committee for funding to complete Plan
Peter Farrell, the Secretary, has asked for £4,374 to complete the Plan, £9,000 of Grant money has already been spent and this represents nearly 70% of the overall cost. It was agreed that it is the Parish Council's Plan which we will support with the funds requested. The Chairman proposed, Cllr. Landfear seconded and all present agreed that £4,374 is made available, out of General Reserves as this item was not specified in our 2016/17 Budget.

6.2 Green Wheelie Bins - It was agreed to support a proposal made by a parishioner that Teignbridge be asked to consider weekly collection of Green Bins in summer with suspension of collection January and February – Teignbridge will be reviewing their waste strategy in September.

7. Date of next meeting – The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Monday 12th September 2016 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall.

Chairman
12th September 2016