

## Parish Council Meeting 9th March 2020

**Present : Chairman S Reynolds, Deputy Chairman T Flower and Parish Councillors M Lant, M Simmons, A Hall and P Wynter.**

**Also present County Councillor S Barker together with one parishioner**

**Apologies** – Cllr. P Martin, K Farrell-Wright and M Colclough

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

**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 10th February 2020** – Approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Report from County Councillor** - Cllr. Barker advised that DCC had managed to find some extra funding for cleaning drainage and buddle holes but were also looking to extend the idea of Parish Road Wardens who, after training could undertake some road maintenance such as buddle holes and there would be DCC grants to offset some costs involved. He has provided a link to the area of the DCC Website with information on Coronavirus.

**Report from District Councillors** - Cllr Colclough gave apologies.

**Planning Notifications** - 20/00129/FUL – 36 Tor Gardens – Single storey rear extension – No adverse comments.

20/00208/FUL – 16 Abbotsridge Drive - Raise height of existing wall from 1.5 metres to 1.8 metres. We have no objection to the proposal subject to the Structural Stability of the Wall.

**Action point – Clerk to pass comment to TDC.**

**Dawes Close Play Area** – The Chairman is in contact with Lorraine Montgomery at TDC and we hope to see Section 106 monies £33,227 by the end of next week. There will be an amount for the Football Club which will be confirmed in due course.

Having received TDC's confirmation of approval and funds we have given the go-ahead to the Contractors, Earthwrights, to commence work on Phase 2. We have also submitted a proposal to TDC for changes and improvements to the existing Fenced Play Area including an "All weather" surface area.

**Action point – Clerk to confirm receipt of funds.**

**Climate Emergency** – Dawlish ACT (Action on Climate in Teignbridge) Meeting took place attended by Cllr. Wynter and Cllr. Lant. A useful forum and will be followed up by a meeting in the Parish.

**Action point – Cllr Wynter to report back on local Meeting**

**Neighbourhood Plan – update on Village Shop project** – Flyers being printed this week and deadline for responses extended to 31st March 2020. Some responses have already been received following the article in the Magazine.

**Action point – Flyers to be distributed by Community Shop team.**

**Signage for the Green** It was agreed that the wording should read "No Overnight Parking" as being less confrontational than an attempt to restrict parking to a few hours.

**Action point- Cllr Simmons to arrange for Signage**

**NB** The Car Park on the Green has been topped up with road planings thanks to Ian Glendinning who conveyed the stone to the Green and Cllr. Flower and Beki Flower who spread the planings.

**TALC Working party update** - Cllr Lant reported on a working party set up by TALC to consider the way forward for the Association, the purpose, format and effectiveness of their Meetings – he is on the working party and their findings will be discussed at a TALC Meeting on March 26th.

**Action Point – Cllr Lant will report back at the next PC Meeting.**

### **Paths and Highways –**

1.Grit Bin in West Ogwell – Further to the request to provide a grit Bin in West Ogwell we now understand from Cllr Barker that we need to pinpoint the proposed location of the Bin on an online Map on the DCC Website and order a Grit Bin. Once that has been done he will ensure that we receive the bin and will fund its purchase.

**Action Point – Clerk to make online request for Bin**

2. Gritter - We need somewhere to store the recently purchased Gritter and also the supplies of Grit/Salt under cover and the suggestion is that we source a container which we would hope to be able to store on a local Farmers land.

**Action Point – Cllr Simmons will look to source a Container and liaise with the Farmer.**

2.Dangerous Tree in Mill Lane – We have been advised by parishioners that there is a willow tree at the end of Mill Lane in a dangerous condition and standing on land that appears to belong to no-one. We have been asked if there is anything we can do and agreed that this should be reported to DCC as there is danger of branches falling onto a public road.

**Action Point – Alex Morrison agreed to look at the tree and pass details to DCC .**

3.Chapter 8 Training – This will take place shortly with four Ogwell parishioners and some others. The Course can take up to ten people at a cost of £400.

**Action Point – Cllr Simmons will hope to add others to the course and will confirm that training has taken place. We may be able to get a DCC grant for the cost.**

**Communications** – Magazine – a meeting has taking place with the PCC who seem to be coming on board with the idea of a magazine for all households funded by advertising revenue.

**Finance Report** – The following items paid by BACS – Gritex Limited £2,154.00 for the purchase of the Snow Gritter. A Grant of £1500.00 has been received from DCC towards this purchase. John Turner £267.00 for cleaning Toilet Block, South West Water £13.52 Toilet Block, Siri White £64.00 Trees for the Ogwild Project. R Hannaford £807.80 Stipend for Jan-Mar 2020, HMRC £202.00 Tax on Stipend.

Cheques written Simon Jones £75.00 trimming back hedge Beki Flower £10.49 Plants for Ogwild.

### **Urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman –**

1 Tree across footpath near Preachers Pit . This has been brought to the attention of DCC as Simon Jones felt he was unable to deal with it.

2 The Memorial Hall – A suggestion that the Hall should be brought up to date internally to make it a more attractive venue for parties/meetings/receptions.

3. Emergency Plan for Coronavirus . As the concerns about the spread of this virus deepen it was agreed that we discuss a plan to do what we can at Parish Level to look after our parishioners along the lines of a general Good Neighbour Plan.

**Date of Next Meeting** - Date of next Parish Council Meeting April 6th 2020. NB This is a week early as April 13th is Easter Bank Holiday.

Chairman  
6th April 2020