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DRAFT MINUTES

These minutes might be subject to slight alteration

The minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 21st October 2015 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr's I Vigus (Chair), Mrs T Brock, R Gibson, C Gillett, Mrs H Warne and Miss R Warne.

In attendance: Seven members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs J Larcombe.

84/10/15. To receive apologies. Apologies were accepted from Cllr's D Barber and R Milton. Apologies were received from District Cllr E Ley, Mr J Deering and Mr T Gurney, Headteacher East Anstey Primary School.

85/10/15. To discuss the future of Allways End Methodist Hall. Standing Orders were suspended to allow public participation in this item. There is no confirmed news about the future of the hall. Mr Blake said he was hoping that the hall building might be offered back to the parish to lease. In the meantime groups were encouraged to continue booking the hall. The Clerk read an email from Mr Gurney who has spoken with members of the Federation Governing Body and given the future of the hall some consideration. His thoughts are that the hall is a useful feature of the local community and there are few of these features remaining. The school is unfortunately not able to use the hall much due to the location and logistics involved and is not likely to be able to increase this level of use. The school is in need of hall facilities on its site for daily school and possibly community use, but cannot benefit from a community purchase of the Methodist Hall directly. It is about to start fundraising for a foundation unit and must concentrate on developing its own site with very limited finances and will not be able to contribute to any community purchase scheme but would be very happy to support community projects whenever possible.

Mrs Wood told the meeting that the Community Centre would like to offer a Christmas lunch at the hall and the suggested date is either Tuesday 8th or Thursday 10th December, whichever is the most convenient date for people who want to come. Anyone interested should contact Mrs Wood to book.

Standing Orders were resumed.

86/10/15. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda. There were no disclosures.

87/10/15. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd September 2015 as a true record of the meeting. The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

88/10/15. Matters arising from the minutes, not covered on the agenda. There were no disclosures.

89/10/15. Planning

a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council.

59881 Creation of shared vehicular access. Pigginswood, Oldways End, East Anstey. Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Ridewood. Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the granting of planning approval.

60103 Prior approval change of use from agricultural building to dwelling (Class Qa & b) Pigginswood, East Anstey. Applicants: Mr & Mrs M Ridewood.

Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the granting of prior approval.

60066 Variation of condition 3 (Buildings use restriction) & 4 (Rooms use restriction), removal of condition 5 (Single enterprise restriction) & discharge of condition 6 (Car parking) attached to planning permission 57599 at Blackerton House, Blackerton, East Anstey. Applicant: Mrs V Ward.

Following on from the first planning approval the family now need to rationalise living accommodation and provide accommodation for people staying at the property to run courses. Parking is needed for the people travelling to the property to attend courses. At present there is only permission for use for training but the Wards would like to use the theatre and community areas for other uses. They would also like to be able to offer holiday accommodation. Use of the whole place is restricted to one business and they would like to get that condition lifted. Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the variation of condition 3 and 4, the removal of condition 5 and discharge of condition 6.

The Council also agreed to support Mrs Ward's application for grant funding. Mrs Ward will send details to the Clerk and she will draft a letter of support, a copy of which will be sent to the Chair. The Clerk will then contact Mr David Mair, Clerk to West Anstey Parish Meeting, to ask for a letter of support from West Anstey.

b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC.

59796 Reinstatement of chimney stack on the west side of the roof, The Barton House, East Anstey. Decision: approval granted.

59797 Listed building application for reinstatement of a chimney stack on the west side of the roof, repairs to entrance portico and formation of a shower room, The Barton House, East Anstey. Decision: LB (Execution works) approval.

c) Any other planning matters. There were no other planning matters.

90/10/15. Highways

a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out. The main road is very busy because it is being used as a diversion during a road closure east bound on the A361 for works on a road bridge at Bolham. This could last until the end of January 2016.

b) Damage caused by lorries removing timber from Barton Wood and reinstatement of verges. Following the removal of timber from Barton

Wood using large lorries there was a great deal of damage to verges and banks along Dunsley Lane and the road was a mess. The Council has been copied into a number of emails between local residents, Highways and Euroforest as residents try to get the banks reinstated. The clearance of the timber has been completed and the roads are now cleaning up. The Council is noting the situation.

c) Any other highways issues. There will be a road closure between Rhyll Gate Cross and Five Cross Ways, East Anstey (Badlake Moor Cross to Rhyll Gate Cross) between Wednesday 21st October and Monday 26th October to carry out patching works.

TLU Contracts, working on behalf of BT Openreach, has consulted the Council about a proposed road closure from Highaton Head Cross to Bussells Moor Cross from 22nd February 2016 for 3-4 weeks. There was concern that this would affect the school bus route.

91/10/15. To receive the following reports:

- a) **District Cllr.** No report.
- b) **County Cllr.** No report.
- c) **Police.** No report.

92/10/15. Finance:

a) To approve invoices for payment. It was resolved to make the following payment: Mrs J Larcombe - £84.69 Clerk's salary and expenses (chq no 226)

b) To consider a request from the Church for a grant towards the cost of work on trees. Cllr Gillett declared a personal interest as a Church Warden. The PCC has obtained more quotes and will be going for the cheapest one. It was resolved to give East Anstey PCC a grant of £200.00 (chq no 227).

Cllr Mrs Warne has been confirmed as a signatory for the Council's bank account.

93/10/15. Play Area

a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections. It was agreed that Cllr Mrs Warne will purchase the paint for the side of the slide in the play area.

b) To agree who will carry out inspections for the next month. Cllr Vigus will carry out the inspections until the next meeting.

c) Any other matters arising. The Clerk will order a permanent sign for the play area. The Council email address will be shown as the contact for the Council.

94/10/15. Defibrillator – update on West Anstey's plans. Cllr Mrs Warne reported that West Anstey only needs to raise £200 more before they can afford to purchase a defibrillator. It would be for West Anstey and the area towards Molland.

Defibrillators can be put in former phone boxes and BT will pay for the electricity supply for 7 years. Battery powered ones are an option. There are instructions with it so no need to have a large number of trained people. It was suggested there should be a minimum of 6 people who can be contacted to use it. Cllr Mrs Warne, Mrs Wynne and Mr Matthews could all be trained. This will be discussed again at the next meeting when there is more information about prices.

95/10/15. Village Fete and Fun Run – to agree the date for 2016. It was agreed that the fete and fun run would be held on Saturday 18th June. The first meeting to

organise these two events will be held at the start of the February 2016 Parish Council meeting.

96/10/15. Matters Brought Forward at the Discretion of the Chairman. No matters brought forward.

97/10/15. Correspondence received by the Parish Council. The following correspondence was noted:

The Local Government Boundary Commission - notification of a further limited consultation in North Devon. In light of representations received during the recent consultation, the Commission is proposing to make significant alterations to its draft recommendations in the North Devon area of the county. The Commission has identified an alternative pattern of four divisions covering the Combe Martin Rural, Ilfracombe, Landkey & Chittlehampton and South Molton. The limited consultation ends on 26th October.
South Molton & District Community News for October.

98/10/15. Public Questions. The Council was asked to put the agenda and minutes for meetings on the notice board outside of the Allways End Methodist Hall. Parishioners questioned when fibre broadband would be available in East Anstey.

98/10/15. Date of the next meeting. It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 2nd December at 7.30pm at Allways End Methodist Hall.

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