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## **The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 7th June 2017 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr's Mrs H Warne (Chair), D Barber, R Gibson, J Griffin and Miss R Warne.

**In attendance:** District Cllr E Ley, County Cllr J Yabsley, 12 members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs J Larcombe.

**19/06/17. To receive apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Cllr's I Vigus and R Milton.

**20/06/17. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda.** There were no disclosures.

**21/06/17. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd May 2017 as a true record of the meeting.** The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

**22/06/17. Matters arising from the minutes, not covered on the agenda.** There were no matters arising.

**23/06/17. Co-option of Councillor.** No nominations were received. This matter was deferred to a future meeting.

**24/06/17. To agree a Parish Council representative for the Community Centre Committee.** It was agreed that Cllr Mrs Warne would be the Council's representative.  
Jo Pugsley agreed to be East Anstey's representative for the South Molton and District Newsletter.

**25/06/17. Planning for the Village Fete.** .Following concern the 9<sup>th</sup> September is too late in the year to hold a fete it was decided a fete would not be held in 2017. Planning for the 2018 fete will start early in the year and a date in early summer will be chosen.

**26/06/17. Public Question Time.** A member of the public reported superfast broadband is available in the parish. BT has been contacting people to advise them of this. There is an additional cost and people need to change their contracts. Cabinet 1 in East Anstey is not connected yet and people are receiving the service from the Bampton exchange. It is thought the service will become cheaper when it comes from cabinet 1. The planned road closure by the school, to put in the duct for the fibre cable. has been postponed so there is no connection from that end yet.

## 27/06/17. Planning

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

**62948** Continued siting of timber chalet to provide permanent Manager's accommodation connected with the equestrian use of the site. Applicants: Mr T & Mrs V Gosling, Whitemoor Equestrian Centre, East Anstey.  
Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the granting of approval.

**62638** Erection of a ground mounted photovoltaic panel array (1 Row, 11.96 Kwp). Melcoe Park Farm, East Anstey, EX16 9JX. Applicant: Mr R Coe.  
Comment: East Anstey Parish Council recommend refusal because of the visual impact. The Council felt it would be preferable to site the panels on the barn roof.

**63052** Erection of a general purpose agricultural building. Higher Radnidge Farm, East Anstey, EX16 9JR. Applicant: Mr K Bavin.  
Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the granting of approval.

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

**62753** Construction of agricultural building for rearing young pullets. Hillands, East Anstey. Decision: conditional approval granted.

**62153** Conversion of Building to Form One Live Work Unit & One Holiday Let Linked to The Business (amended Certificates, Description & Floor Plan). The Classrooms, Blackerton Cross, East Anstey.  
Decision: conditional approval granted.

**61358** Erection of one dwelling at land adjacent to New Park Cottages, East Anstey. Decision: conditional approval granted

**c) Any other planning matters.** There is no decision yet for 62510 Blackerton House as the eight week decision period started again when the application was amended.

## 28/06/17. Highways

**a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out.** The road surface of Broomball Lane is still in a very poor condition. The road above the school has been patched but there is a big pothole outside the school. Cllr Gibson reported he was reporting the poor condition of the road surface on Woodburn Hill every week.

**b) Any other highways issues.** There were no other highways issues.

Cllr Yabsley joined the meeting.

## 29/06/17. To receive the following reports:

**a) District Cllr.** Cllr Ley noted the passion for solar panels stopped a while ago. He warned the Parish Council about the risk of the parish losing the S106 money from Blackerton if it is not used within a set timescale. The delivery of the nine affordable housing units at Blackerton is still an issue and enforcement law is poor. NDC now have three enforcement officers whose hours equate to two full time positions.

**b) County Cllr.** Cllr Yabsley was re-elected as the County Councillor for the South Molton Ward at the elections in May. This ward covers twenty one parishes, including East Anstey. He will be serving on the following committees:

Development Management, Farms Estates, Health and Adult Care Scrutiny, North Devon Highways and Traffic Orders and North Devon Locality (County). He encouraged everyone to keep reporting potholes. Once a month he will be touring roads in his ward with Richard Sables, Neighbourhood Highways Officer, and will visit each parish once or twice a year. Cllr Yabsley encouraged the Parish Council to apply for funding from his Locality Budget for a project in the parish such as a new notice board. It was suggested the phone box could be used to display notices and posters if suitable backing material was installed.

**c) Police.** There was no report.

### **30/06/17. Finance**

- a) To approve invoices for payment.** It was resolved to make the following payments: South Molton and Ringsash Methodist Circuit - £30.00 annual payment to cover electricity used by the defibrillator (Chq no 256)  
Mrs J Larcombe - £88.90 Clerk's wages and expenses (Chq no 257)  
The Council's insurance cover was due for renewal and the Clerk recommended the Council renew its policy with Zurich Municipal. The annual premium of £319.94 was agreed (Chq no 258).
- b) To agree the Annual Governance Statement.** The Annual Governance Statement was agreed.
- c) To agree the Annual Accounts for 2016-17.** The Annual Accounts were agreed.
- d) To discuss the quotes for a new notice board.** Using the phone box as a notice board will be looked into. The phone box needs to be painted and a new piece of glass fitted. There will be no need for a door.

### **31/06/17. Play Area**

- a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections.** Cllr Vigus had not informed the Council of any points to note from his inspections.
- b) To agree who will carry out inspections for the next month.** Cllr Griffin will carry out the inspections over the next month.
- c) Purchase of replacement play equipment.** The Clerk suggested the S106 funds could be used to replace play equipment. At present there is £27,940.77 available for open space projects in the parish. She has contacted the officer responsible at NDC to find how to apply for the money and has been emailed an application form. Another option is to make an application to the Batsworthy Cross Windfarm Community Benefit Fund. Equipment will be decided upon and some costs will be obtained. Cllr Ley suggested asking the Methodist Circuit about the future of the Allways End Hall as the S106 funds could be put towards the cost of purchasing the hall if it was sold.
- d) Any other matters arising.** There were no other matters arising.

**32/06/17. Purchase of memorial bench and picnic table.** This item was deferred until the next meeting.

**33/06/17. Update on installation of defibrillator and purchase of fridge magnets with keypad code.** The defibrillator and motion operated light were installed today. The Ambulance Service will only give out the keypad code to people living within two hundred metres of the defibrillator so parishioners at the meeting were informed the code is C123X. Cllr Mrs Warne will arrange the community awareness/training session for a Wednesday night at 7pm, avoiding Parish Council meeting nights, and tea and cakes will be provided for participants. Cllr

Mrs Warne will carry out the necessary checks on a regular basis. Volunteers are needed to set up a Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS). The maximum number of volunteers is ten.

**34/06/17. Matters Brought Forward at the Discretion of the Chairman.** There were no matters brought forward.

**35/06/17. Correspondence received by the Parish Council.** The following correspondence was noted:

Clerk and Councils Direct

Seafarers – request to fly the Red Ensign, the flag of the Merchant Navy, on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Merchant Navy Day. The parish does not have a Red Ensign.

**36/06/17. Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm at Allways End Methodist Hall..