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The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th July 2018 at Allways End Methodist at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr's I Vigus (Chair), R Gibson, J Griffin, R Milton, Mrs H Warne and Miss R Warne.

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

30/07/18. To receive apologies. Apologies were accepted from Cllr D Barber.

31/07/18. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda. There were no disclosures.

32/07/18. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 6th June 2018 as an accurate record of the meeting. With the addition of Cllr R Milton to the list of councillors present the minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

33/07/18. Matters arising from the minutes. There were no matters arising.

34/07/18. Public Questions. There were no questions.

Cllr Yabsley joined the meeting. It was agreed to bring the following item forward on the agenda.

35/07/18. To receive the following reports:

a) District Cllr. No report.

b) County Cllr. Cllr Yabsley reported he had been out with Richard Sables, DCC Highways Officer, last week looking at the conditions of some of the roads in his ward but they hadn't looked at those in East Anstey parish. There is a lot of patching going on but this is being done by other contractors and not Skanska who have not performed to expectation. He encouraged everyone to keep reporting potholes. Cllr Milton asked why there was more patching. Was it because there was more money available or because the other contractors were better and offered better value for money? Cllr Yabsley said there was a third more money because the Government had given DCC more money and DCC had also increased the highways budget. DCC has now managed to allocate all the work and there has been some additional patching on top. Skanska staff are not happy at losing the work.

There is a further consultation on one part of the North Devon and Torridge Local Plan which relates to a single main modification for a site allocation in Buckland Brewer. The two councils are now working to the new plan. Litter was cleared from the sides of the A361 North Devon Link Road but it is building up again. Cllr

Yabsley reminded the Council about applying for funding from his locality budget.

Cllr Yabsley left the meeting.

36/07/18. Village Fete Report. Cllr Vigus thanked everyone for helping with the fete.

Although the fete did not raise as much money as in 2016 it was recognised that holding the fete isn't just about making money, it is also about participating as a community. The fete needs more stalls and things for people to do particularly if it starts at 12pm with the run and finishes at 5pm. This is a long period of time to keep people entertained.

37/07/18. Planning

a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council before the meeting. No applications received.

b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC. No decisions received.

c) Any other planning matters. It was reported that there is now a mobile home which is being occupied at Whitemoor Equestrian Centre. It is understood that gallops have been created, which would be a change of use. NDC Planning Enforcement will be asked to check this.

Blackerton residents have made complaints to Environmental Health about the smell from Oaklands Poultry Farm. It was felt that an environmental report needs to be obtained before their planning applications are considered by the NDC Planning Committee. This poultry unit is in a NVZ area and there are new regulations about what can be spread and when to protect water quality. An application for a poultry farm in another parish was discussed and approved at the last NDC Planning Meeting but this application was very different as it was 1Km from the nearest dwelling and sited in a valley.

38/07/18. Highways

a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out. There will be a temporary road closure on the road between Barton Cross and Hawkswell Cross and the road between Barton Cross and the Old Railway Station between the 9th and 13th July. It was noted that there is a lot of highway repairs being carried out.

b) Any other highways issues. No other highways issues.

39/07/18. Finance:

a) To approve invoices for payment. It was resolved to make the following payment: Mrs J Larcombe - £84.20 Clerk's salary & expenses (Chq no 284)

b) To note payments made for the Village Fete and income received.

A total of £2,408.97 was banked following the fete. Total expenses for the fete were £1,350.95 (This includes the £21 cost of the Temporary Event Notice paid at the last meeting). The profit from the fete at this point is £1058.02. There could be a further donation from one of the stalls.

It was agreed to make the following payments from the Parish Council's account:

Brushwood Design - £45.60 banner (Chq no 279)

Cllr Mrs H Warne - £926.35 refund of expenses: Makro £810.08; Exmoor Ale £101.21; Numbers for run £15.06 (Chq no 280)

Cllr Miss R Warne - £40.00 refund for purchase of ice-cream (Chq no 281)

Exmoor Luxury Loos - £168.00 hire of portable toilets (Chq no 282)

P Warne – £90.00 generator hire (Chq no 283)
Hawkridge - £60.00 marquee hire (Chq no 285)

40/07/18. Play Area

a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections. No points to note.

Cllr Mrs Warne will bring the inspection sheet to the next meeting.

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

c) To discuss an email request for goal nets at the Village Green. It was agreed to get quotes for new football posts and nets. Power was delegated to the Chair, Vice-chair and Clerk to deal with this matter.

d) Any other matters arising. No other matters arising.

41/07/18. Opportunity to raise any questions on items discussed during the meeting.

Members of the public questioned the delay in the Oaklands Poultry Farm planning applications being decided by the NDC Planning Committee. The clerk was asked to find out what was happening.

42/07/18. Correspondence received by the Parish Council.

The Governing Body of the Exmoor Link Federation has agreed that the defibrillator can be sited on the outside of East Anstey Primary School. It needs to be moved from Allways End Methodist Hall because of the proposed sale.

43/07/18. Date of the next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th September 2018. There will be no meeting in August unless something urgent arises.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm