

CHERITON FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of this Council held on 16th August 2016

Clerk: John Wilkinson, 4 Silver Way, Shobrooke, Crediton, Devon EX171 HP

Present: - Cllr C. Sheldrick (ch) Cllr S. Meads, Cllr S. Humphreys, Cllr A. Norton, elite: Leys, Cllr G. Denford, Cllr C. Lancelles. Cllr M. Squires. Ten parishioners were in attendance.

- 1. Parishioners Questions.** The parishioners in attendance wished to point out difficulties and seek assurances about the proposed development at Holes Cottage. Access was not good and the available turning circle was restricted to less than two cars. It was felt that alternative sites should be sought. The proposed siting of the buildings placed them too close to those already on the site. Cllr Squires was asked to call the proposal in but she explained that she was no longer on the Planning Committee. Council members observed that the vicinity was, until recently, within the Conservation area but had been removed. The recent survey of housing needs for the village had identified a need for several more modest units but those proposed here were of a far higher standard, built obviously for profit rather than utility. There was insufficient space to spare for car parking since garages do not count. Cllr Colthorpe was asked to call the application in.
- 2. Apologies.** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr G. Kingdon, Cllr J. Skinner and Cllr P. Colthorpe.
- 3. Minutes.** Following a minor alteration, the minutes were proposed for signature by Cllr Norton and seconded by Cllr Meads.
- 4. Declarations Of Interest.** Declarations of interest in the Holes Cottage proposal were made by Cllrs Humphreys and Norton.
- 5. Roads and Footpaths.**
 - 5:1. Some work had been done in the region of Coffin Tree Cross whilst the road was closed.
 - 5:2 No meeting had taken place between Ross Hext and Cllr Lawson concerning lane repairs behind Bary Close.
 - 5:3. The grass in the village has been cut though only to a bearable minimum.
- 6. Playing Fields.**

Reports indicate that both of the playing fields are in regular use during the current good weather. The notice on the gate needs repair, Cllr Sheldrick undertook to look into this.
- 7. Burial Ground.** All appears to be in good order.
- 8. Allotment.** The plots reported in the July meeting are now in hand and being worked.

9. Finance.

9:1. The current statement was presented showing a credit balance off £16,566.00

9:2 The list of remaining signatories for HSBC was returned having been amended from their outdated list. A formal complaint was sent to the manager of the bank pointing out the absurdity of their recent actions.

9:3 The VAT cheque claimed after the wall repair work was actioned in good faith.

9:4:1. The single account was settled £288.72 Clerk's pay. (salary £255.36 ex's £33.36)

The cheque made out to Mrs Pratt for £40.00 was ratified.

Two accounts were presented on the night, Parish Hall Committee rent £54.00

DS Electrics, wiring defibrillator £136.00 Both were paid to be ratified during the September meeting.

10. Planning. 1

6/01094/OUT Outline permission for three dwellings with attached garages and formation of shared access, Holes Cottage, Bary Close. This application has been extended in order to give the PC time to consider it in view of concern expressed by some parishioners. Cllr Norton undertook to contact Cllr Squires and Cllr Colthorpe concerning calling this application in.

15/00489/FULL/NMA/grant Proposed non-material amendment, erection of agricultural livestock building. To clad west and north elevations to ground and east elevation to eaves. Permission granted.

15/01419/FULL Erection of agricultural workers dwelling and garage/store, Broad Park House. Permission granted.

16/01201/CAT Notification of intention to pollard 1 sycamore tree by 3-4m within the Conservation area. Church Cottage.

11. Closure of Village Shop/Post Office. The first concern is that the shop as it is not a viable financial proposition. The current owners may wish to simply close it and make a dwelling to either inhabit or sell on. There is also the possibility of a community shop. Some local people such as Helen from Kennerleigh are willing to give a talk about the formation of community enterprise and this has been scheduled for 15th September.

Mr C Horton-Stevens informed the meeting that the Parish Hall committee are willing to allow the PH premises to be used as a post office.

12. Chairman's Reports. September agenda to include parking in the village.

Meeting closed 9.10, next meeting 20th September