

BERRY POMEROY PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of Meeting of Berry Pomeroy Parish Council Thursday July 7th 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Mills, Mrs Boughton, Elliot-Smith, Hannaford, Nicholls, Hooper.

D. Cllr. Green.

Also present,

David Eeles, Clerk. The Chairman opened the meeting, welcomed the visiting District Councillor.

1(7.16) APOLOGIES: Cllr Perring

It appears that Cllr Horsburg, who was due to attend this meeting, has resigned. Fortunately D. Cllr. Green has come instead.

2. (7.16) MINUTES OF MAY MEETING:

After a small amendment these were AGREED as a true record and duly signed off.

3 (7.16) MATTERS ARISING

None

4 (7.16) POLICE

No incidents from the police incident website were reported.

5 (7.16) REPORTS

Report of Dist. Cllr Green:

Key Message:

- A consultation has been launched on the joint local plan which puts forward potential locations for housing and employment. The consultation document proposes as (including part of Berry Pomeroy parish) and Dartington provides 1256 new houses over the period from 2014 to 2034, based on potential sites. This includes houses built since 1 January 2014 and those with planning permission which account for 647 homes. There are no new signs proposed within Totnes. And on line consultation is open for import until 12 August with an information pack and evidence documents available at www.southhams.gov.uk gov.uk/joint local plan.
- A local plan workshop is being held at the Civic Hall on Tuesday, 19 July at 7 PM. A local neighbourhood plan workshop is being held on 28 July at Follaton house at 7 PM. These are open to representatives from town and parish council's and neighbourhood plan groups

- South Hams District Council has agreed to make six homes available in the South Hams for vulnerable Syrian families with the aim to house up to 30 people.
- The council has approved the investment of £546,000 to bring in extra staff to help improve the services provided by the council which has suffered due to the problems experienced with the implementation of the new IT system and the staff cuts implemented over the last year.
- A consultation will be launched on changes to the council tax reduction scheme.

Councillor Green also attended the following meetings as a ward councillor;

Berry Pomeroy Parish Council, Totnes Town Council, SHDC performance measures, Glyphosate, Sherford, Joint Local Plan, SHDC executive, briefing for counsellors on the local plan, environmental partnerships review, licensing committee, local authority control company meeting, SHDC audit committee and SHDC Special Council meeting.

In response to questions Cllr Green explained that there were 30,300 new houses envisaged for the three Districts in the Local Plan, 21,000 of which were in Plymouth. 1,256 new houses are envisaged for Totnes. Villages will be expected to contribute 700 houses over 21 years but there is unlikely to be any pressure on particular locations.

- There are talks scheduled between SHDC councillors and the Duke over a possible park and ride proposed for the Great Court area. Members felt removing the through traffic was a greater priority.
- Industrial sites re mostly to be situated around Plymouth.

6 (7.16) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The clerk reported that he should be able to present the summary of the questionnaire results for the next meeting.

7(7.16) PLANNING

0833/16/FUL Longcombe Farm Cottages- change of use from outbuilding to residential unit. **NO OBJECTION**

8 (7.16). FINANCE

Payments

The following items are submitted for approval:-

£

1. Clerk net salary and expenses for June -

181.74

2.	PAYE for June	39.20
3.	Duncan Irwin grass-cutting	134.00
		112.00
4.	Stephen Holley lengthsman duties	120.00
	Balance on Business A/C 27 June 2016	£7,259.40
	Balance on Savings A/C 6 July 2015	£4,169.57

9 (7.16) CORRESPONDANCE

1. The Duke's Estate has notified the Council that the Horse Chestnut tree behind the War Memorial has been examined by a tree surgeon and found to be dead and dangerous. They want to cut it down and replace it with a suitable sapling.

Members accepted that if the tree really was dead then there was no alternative, but would like to have had more details of the nature of the problem and the qualifications of the tree surgeon. Clerk was asked to contact the estate.

2. Tony Roberts has contacted Cllr Boughton to ask about the fact that the planning permission for the new car park by the New Barn was due to expire shortly. It was AGREED to put this on the agenda for the next meeting and invite him to attend if he wished.

10 (7.16) ITEMS AT CHAIRMANS DISCRETION

The Chairman reported that although Bourton Lane has been partially resurfaced and the double yellow lines reinstated they have not been extended any further that they were before. It seems a pity the opportunity could not have been taken to do this at very little extra cost. The difficulty of this junction was brought home when an ambulance in which he was the casualty was help up at this junction on its way to the hospital. Fortunately on this occasion there was no undesirable outcome but there could easily have been. Clerk to contact Highways again.

Cllr Boughton asked about the village pond which has dried up again and there are no ducks. Cllr Nicholls said he thought the cause was an ash tree on the perimeter of the pond whose roots were lifting the bed of the pond allowing water to escape. AGREED: the concern of the villagers should conveyed to the Estate.

11(7.16) NEXT MEETING

Will be on 4th August in the **VILLAGE HALL**.

Signed4-8-2016 (J. Mills, Chairman)

