Shute Parish Council

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The Councillors were summoned to attend a meeting Shute Parish Council held at Umborne Hall on Thursday October 22nd 2015 starting at 7.30pm. The following matters were discussed.

Minutes

The Following were present :- Cllr Peter Rugg (Chairman), Cllrs Bill Marshall, Richard Orsman, David Plowman, John Pearce, Rick Wood, Cllr Andrew Moulding (DCC) and Cllr Iain Chubb (EDDC). Carol Miltenburg – Clerk.

1 Apologies for absence

Received from Cllrs Paddy Magrane and Ella Sweetland.

2 Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting.

The minutes were approved by the Council and signed by Cllr Rugg. Proposed Cllr Plowman, seconded Cllr Marshall.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes.

The heading of the agenda as ‘Shute and Whitford Council’ was queried as the correct title of the Council is ‘Shute Parish Council’. The clerk clarified that this was due to some of the residents of Whitford being confused that Whitford was not covered by Shute PC. The formal part of the document was in the correct name and that an explanation had been put in the Parish Paper. It was agreed to place a notice explaining the name on the Whitford noticeboard and a map if possible.

4 Public Forum – No members of the public were present.

5 Burial Ground

It was discussed how to deal with the monies from the burial ground. It was agreed that the Clerk should set up new bank account in the name of the Burial Ground Fund. Cllr Orsman proposed Cllr Wood seconded. Clerk to contact the Church Warden to clarify the exact area of the burial ground that is consecrated. Clerk to obtain information on the fees charged by similar burial grounds in the area to all ow the Council to set the charges for the burial ground.

6 Correspondence

 New sign in Whitford. This was discussed but no direct request has been received so was not taken further.

Remembrance Day wreath. It was agreed that Cllr Rugg should lay the wreath on behalf of the Council. It was felt that Mr Peter Easton should do a reading on the Councils behalf. Clerk to contact RBL to get the wreath.

 Devon Wheels. It was not felt that it was appropriate to make a donation at this time.

Elector Registration. The Clerk advised that Shute had an 85% voter registration rate and that she had agreed to contact the outstanding people on behalf of EDDC.

 7 Highway Matters

Traffic calming in Shute. The Clerk reported on an e mail from DCC Highways. Tthe recent traffic speed check in Shute found almost no one was speeding and that one car was only marginally over 30mph. This confirmed the results of the previous checks. As such Highways cannot take any action. Clerk to contact to ask about the PC possibly partially funding a flashing sign or signs (as in Wilmington). Moving the present speed sign (near Redgate) was suggested.

Snow Warden. The Clerk advised that Mr Keith Sweetland has agreed to continue in the role of snow warden and is liaising directly with DCC. Clerk to send a letter of thanks.

Traffic Notices & Road Repairs. The proposed road closures at Three Sycamores, Lilylake and Woodend Farm were discussed and noted. Cllr Moulding advised that without the work of the ‘road gang’ (co-ordinated by Cllr Wood) that the resurfacing would not have been undertaken by DCC. Cllr Wood thanked Cllr Moulding for all his efforts on our behalf.

Footpaths. Cllr Orsman, Footpath Warden, advised he has nearly finished walking the footpaths in the parish. He is in contact with the footpath co-ordinator at EDDC. It was noted the Footpath from the A35 at Deep Cut to Dalwood has still not been repaired. Clerk to get information on the P3 maintenance scheme.

8 Prospective meetings of interest and reports from meetings attended

 CPRE – Noted.

Cllr Chubb reported that the preparation EDDC move to Honiton is progressing and contractors to carry out the building work are being contacted. It is predicted 190 staff at Honiton and 80 in Exmouth with a hot desking method of working to maximise the use of space. I t aim is to open the offices by late Summer 2017.

He noted that the new waste and recycling system has been a huge success in the roll out area Feniton etc. In the first week five times the amount of food waste was collected. The new waste contract is due from May 2016 but again this will be rolled out gradually to minimise disruption. The Axe Wetland Cycle route is making very good progress. The Gypsy / Traveller Plan. He reported that the travellers site in Shute is tolerated for six pitches. At present they cannot be force to relocate as there is no location for them to go to. In the future when the new provision is available this will not be the case.

Cllr Moulding reported that DCC had received a good report in its latest inspection. Plymouth and Exeter are prepared to accept refugees in limited numbers. More information is being sort by the Boundary Commission but not about the changes in format. At present Shute will be included with a swathe of villages as far as Whimple rather than with Axminster. Devolution for Devon is being discussed, as is the roll out of superfast broadband. He advised about the Community Resilience Seminar taking place in November and will send details to the Clerk for circulation.

Cllr Marshall reported on the Flood Resilience Seminar he recently attended. It was presented by DCC and the Environment Agency. There is an App which can give the level of the Coly in Whitford so the residents can monitor it easily. Details will be sent to the Clerk for forwarding as will the Flood Guidance for Elected Members guide.

9 Planning

Applications received

15/2388/LBC. Shute House. No Objections

15/2216/FUL. Colcombe Wood. Demolition and replacement of existing conservatory. No Objections.

Decisions received

15/2028/FUL The Laurels, Wilmington: Approval with conditions. Noted.

15/1544/LBC Shute House: Approval with conditions. Noted.

15/1964/FUL East View Seaton Junction: Approval with conditions. Noted.

15/1666/FUL Land east of Square Acres (Opp Shute Garage): Refusal. The Council requested that Cllr Chubb liaise with EDDC Planning Dept to ensure that all deadlines for future action are monitored and met. Clerk to e mail EDDC to find out the important dates.

Planning Appeal – (15/1102/FUL) Land west of Solway Cottage, Whitford. Previous comments stand.

It was noted that the new building at the Boat Yard in Seaton Junction does not have any guttering and concern was expressed about water going on the highway in winter and also that part of the verge has been used as part of a fire escape path. Clerk to contact EDDC and DCC.

Local Plan - The Clerk confirmed she had e mailed advising that the Council felt Whitford was of a size to have a building line.

War Memorial at Shute. The clerk reported on the information received from EDDC and Historic England about ownership. Details to be circulated.

10 Finance

 Payments Grant Thornton – Audit Fee 2014/2015 - £30.00

 Income. None

11 Any Other Business

12 Date, time & place of next meeting

7.30pm Thursday December 3rd at Shute School

The meeting finished at 9.20pm