

Exminster Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Monday 3 October at 19:30 in the Victory Hall, Main Road, Exminster

Chairman: Josie Walledge

16/407	<p><u>Public open session</u></p> <p>Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Feoffees would be relinquishing a pocket of land in the spring time and wanted to know whether the Parish Council would be interested in taking it on as a Green Open Space? Rosemary Sanders, Chairman of the Feoffees, had further information and Cllr Madge offered to show Councillors around the land. <p>It was agreed that Councillors could contact Cllr Madge to arrange a visit and that the item would be on a future agenda for consideration.</p>	All/ JD
Part 1		
16/408	<p><u>Present</u></p> <p>Cllr Peter Chandler (PC), Cllr Gordon Evans (GE), Cllr John Goodey (JG) (from 20:55 to 21:15), Cllr Derek Madge (DM), Cllr Chris Maynard (CM), Cllr John Ponsford (JP), Cllr Kevin Smith (KS), Cllr Lorne Smyth (LS), Cllr Josie Walledge (JW).</p> <p>Clerk: Mrs Jill Daw (JD)</p> <p>Deputy Clerk: Mrs Helen Hibbins (HH)</p> <p>Devon County Councillor: Alan Connett (AC) (from 20:05 to 20:15)</p> <p>Teignbridge District Councillors: John Goodey (JG) (from 20:55 to 21:15), Kevin Lake (KL)</p> <p>Public: 1</p>	
16/409	<p><u>Apologies accepted from</u></p> <p>Cllr Richard Morgan had resigned from the Parish Council due to work commitments. Teignbridge District Council (TDC) had been notified and a vacancy notice had been posted on the Parish Council notice board.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Morgan for his work on the Council and asked that a letter of thanks was sent by the Clerk.</p> <p>Cllr Adrian Wood (AW) – personal reasons</p> <p>Cllr Goodey and Cllr Connett would arrive late as they were attending another meeting.</p>	JD
16/410	<p><u>Declaration of interest on Agenda Items</u></p> <p>None declared.</p>	
16/411	<p><u>Dispensation requests regarding Code of Conduct</u></p> <p>None received.</p>	
16/412	<p><u>Appointment of Vice Chairman for Exminster Parish Council</u></p> <p>Cllr Maynard stood down as Vice Chairman due to work commitments.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Maynard for his time as Vice Chair.</p> <p>It was resolved to appoint Cllr Madge, being the only volunteer/nomination for the post.</p>	
16/413	<p><u>To approve the Draft Minutes of the EPC Meeting held on 19 September 2016</u></p> <p>Resolved.</p>	
16/414	<p><u>County Councillors Report on items other than those on the agenda</u></p> <p><i>Cllr Connett had advised the Clerk that he would be arriving late. It was resolved to defer the report until later in the meeting.</i></p>	
15/415	<p><u>District Councillors Reports on items other than those on the agenda</u></p> <p>Teignbridge District Councillor Kevin Lake reported:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The litter bins, procured with a grant from Cllrs Lake and Goodey, had been installed underneath the Motorway bridge. The lighting had been reinstated overnight at Jubilee Close, following the recent break-ins and Teign Housing officers would be assisting residents in improving security. Speeding and incidents of road rage had been reported on Days Pottles Lane. Complaints had been received about a broken down/damaged lorry parked on Reddaway Drive. Cllr Evans reported that the vehicle had been removed very recently. A boundary review was taking place across Teignbridge and Cllr Goodey would report on the matter later in the meeting. 	

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	6. Cllr Lake had made Devon County Council (DCC) aware of his position on the sale of land adjacent to Sannerville way, following contact from concerned residents.	
16/416	<u>Chairman’s Report</u> The Chairman had no matters to report.	
16/417	<u>Clerk’s Report</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Councillors were reminded to update their Register of Interests if necessary.2. An Elector Fund application had been submitted in the sum of £3244 on behalf of the Victory Hall Trust to provide a projector and screen in the Victory Hall.3. Bulb planting would take place by the Green Spaces group at the following locations: South side of Hospital Drives, the bank outside of the Under 8’s play area, the banks at Dryfield and Crockwells Meadow.4. A further incident of graffiti had been reported at the Skatepark on Friday 28 September. Mr Fowler had cleaned it off immediately. Any future incidents to be photographed for the Police5. A statement had been received from the Police concerning the recent incidents at Jubilee Close.6. A response had been received from TDC regarding the Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGS) at Sentry’s Farm. TDC confirmed that they had received an application from Bovis to discharge planning condition 11. An implementation plan had been submitted by Bovis and was deemed acceptable by TDC.7. A query had been received from a resident asking whether a change of use had been registered for the Sentry’s Farm temporary SANGS land from agricultural use to recreational use. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to TDC to confirm this and to express disappointment in the handling of the SANGS situation at Sentrys Farm and its implications for the provision of SANGS for the Matford Development. <p>Cllr Smith asked whether a formal Police report to the Parish was received. The Clerk explained that this used to happen in the past and agreed to ask the Police whether it was possible that it could be reinstated.</p>	JD JD
Planning Matters		
16/418	<u>Planning Applications – Cllr Madge</u>	
/1	16/02527/SO, Land At West Exe Park, Alphington, Request For A Screening Opinion For A Mixed Employment Development Cllr Madge reported that Cllr Goodey, as a District Councillor, had commented on the screening (a technical matter relating to the need for an Environmental Impact Assessment). It was resolved that the Parish Council would write and support the concerns raised within Cllr Goodey’s submission.	HH
/2	16/02356/FUL, Coombe Cottage, Days-Pottles Lane - Replacement detached garage with room above Cllr Madge explained the proposal to remove a single garage, replacing it with a large double garage with a hobby room above. The plans were consulted and the scale of the development appeared to be out of keeping with the existing single garage. It was resolved to object to the application due to its scale and it being out of character with neighbouring properties.	HH
16/414	<u>County Councillors Report on items other than those on the agenda</u> Cllr Connett arrived at 20:05 and reported: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. DCC had agreed that bus stops would be sited near Berrybrook Garage.2. Repairs had been requested for potholes at Gissons.3. Street-lighting had been reinstated overnight at Jubilee Close following the recent break-ins.4. The history regarding the Milbury Reach bus lane and bus shelter was explained. Linden Homes and Bloor Homes have declined to fund the bus shelter, a requirement of the planning consent, because the bus does not travel through the Estate, following an amendment made by Devon County Council and Teignbridge District Council. To resolve	

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	<p>matters, Cllr Connett offered to support the purchase of a shelter, opposite the entrance to Milbury Reach for Exeter bound journeys, from his county locality budget. It was suggested that Bloor and Linden Homes were asked for a contribution towards it. Cllr Connett would continue to pursue the matter with all parties involved and Exminster Parish Council will investigate costs of a shelter.</p>	JD
16/419	<p><u>Planning Decisions</u> Noted as listed below:</p>	
/1	<p>16/00950/MAJ, Land At West Exe Park, Alphington - Approval Of Details For Employment Development (Use Classes B1(C), B2 & B8) (Approval Sought For Appearance, Landscaping, Layout And Scale) - APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS</p>	
/2	<p>16/00201/FUL, Turf Hotel - Demolition of existing storage building and replacement with single storey timber holiday lodge for use in connection with the adjacent Turf Hotel - GRANTED</p>	
Other Planning Matters		
16/420	<p><u>To appoint a Lead Councillor on Planning matters</u> Cllrs Evans and Smith agreed to share the role, with Cllr Madge supporting. Resolved.</p>	JD
16/421	<p><u>To consider a request from Devon County Council regarding land off Sannerville Way</u> The Clerk had circulated a letter from DCC asking whether the Parish Council would have any objection to DCC applying for a Stopping Up Order on land adjacent to Sannerville Way. The land was currently used by the Longhouse Community. The Stopping Up Order removes the highway designation of the land and would allow DCC to dispose of the site. Concerns were raised as to what would happen to the land. It was resolved not to object to the application for the Stopping Up Order.</p>	JD
16/422	<p><u>To update Council on the draft recommendations in the Local Government Boundary Commission</u> <i>Cllr Goodey was not present and it was agreed to defer the item.</i></p>	
Finance Matters		
16/423	<p><u>Accounts for Approval</u> It was agreed to take item 16/424 ahead of item 13/423. It was resolved to approve payments in the sum of £1429.29</p>	HH
16/424	<p><u>To agree to increase the Fidelity Guarantee to £500,000 at an extra cost of £147.67</u> Resolved.</p>	HH
16/425	<p><u>To consider the 2017/2018 Local Government Finance Settlement Consultation</u> The RFO had read through the consultation document. Section 3.3, Council Tax Referendum Principles for Town and Parish Councils, was relevant to the Parish Council but the RFO was satisfied that there were sufficient caveats in section 3.3.5 to protect this Parish Council from having to go to referendum to increase the precept over 2%/£5 per band D property, particularly if taking on devolved services. Section 3.3.6 concerned the application of referendums to all Town and Parish Councils, but there would be a cost implication which may outweigh any increase in some cases which was realised. Cllr Madge reported that the matter had also been discussed at the recent Teignbridge Association of Local Councils (TALC) meeting, with the same conclusions. It was agreed that a Parish Council response was not required.</p>	
Property & Amenities Matters		
16/426	<p><u>To nominate a Councillor to join Cllr Madge in current discussions with the Victory Hall Trust on matters relating to the Victory Hall</u> Cllr Madge explained that currently the matter was with the Victory Hall Trust, awaiting proposals to the Parish Council. Therefore, there was no requirement to appoint another Parish Councillor to assist him at this time. The Clerk explained that there were still outstanding questions relating to the Deepway Trust. Cllr Chandler had asked the Deepway Trust about the whereabouts of the original lease, but the Deepway Trust held no archived documents.</p>	

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	There were opportunities, with Community Infrastructure Levy funds, to enhance the Deepway Centre, but the necessary legal documents and questions on ownership would need to be answered before any feasibility studies could be worked up. It was agreed to agenda an item on the Deepway Trust at a future meeting.	JD
16/427	<u>To consider a request from the 2nd Exminster Scouts Association to hold their annual Firework Display on Deepway Green on Friday 4th November</u> The Chairman declared an interest as Chairman of the Scout Group and would not vote on the matter. It was resolved to approve the request, subject to the usual caveats regarding sight of an appropriate insurance document.	JD
16/428	<u>Remembrance Sunday – 13 November. To agree the following:</u> 1. Roles of Parish Councillors It was agreed that Cllr Walledge would do the reading, Cllr Goodey would read out the Role of Honour and Cllr Chandler would lay the wreath. 2. Donation to the Royal British Legion for a Poppy wreath It was resolved to donate £35, under s137 of the LGA 1972.	JW/ JG/ PC HH
16/429	<u>Councillors' Reports – for information only</u> 1. Cllr Evans reported on a recent Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) meeting held in Okehampton. 2. Cllr Smith had attended a planning course. It was well presented and very informative. 3. Cllr Madge reported on the TALC meeting that he had attended. The Leader of TDC had spoken about devolution, which may affect Parish Councils. 4. Cllr Chandler reported on a meeting in the Wilderness with Cllr Goodey and the Clerk to discuss work to be completed.	
16/422	<u>To update Council on the draft recommendations in the Local Government Boundary Commission</u> Cllr Goodey arrived at 20:55. TDC currently had forty six district Councillors and there was an intention to increase to forty seven. It was likely that the additional Councillor would be for the Moretonhampstead area. Regarding the Kenn Valley Ward, it was noted that in 2022, it was likely that the Matford Development would be partially occupied, meaning an increase in the population of the ward of over 20%. The proposal was that Exminster, Powderham and Kennford formed the Exminster and Kenn Valley Ward with Ide, Shillingford and other outlying villages joining another Ward (with Longdown). The Exminster and Kenn Valley Ward, would remain a two Councillor Ward.	
16/430	<u>It is proposed that in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act of 1960, the Press and Public will be excluded from item 16/432 (part II) having due regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.</u> Resolved.	
16/431	<u>Public Open Session</u> No comments.	
Date of next meeting: Monday 17 October 2016 at 19:30 in the Victory Hall The meeting closed at 21:14		

Signed:....Josie Walledge..... Date:....17 October 2016.....