

Exminster Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Monday 7 August at 19:30 in the Victory Hall Annexe, Main Road, Exminster

Chairman: Derek Madge

17/365	<p><u>Public open session</u> Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Overgrown vegetation was overhanging pavements from residents' gardens in several locations in the village. It was agreed that a reminder to residents would be published in Scene and on Facebook. 	JD DM /HH
17/366	<p><u>Present</u> Cllr Peter Chandler (PC), Cllr Gordon Evans (GE), Cllr John Goodey (JG), Cllr Derek Madge (DM), Cllr John Ponsford (JP), Cllr Kevin Smith (KS), Cllr Lorne Smyth (LS). Clerk: Mrs Jill Daw (JD) Deputy Clerk: Mrs Helen Hibbins (HH) Teignbridge District Councillors: John Goodey (JG), Kevin Lake (KL) Public: 2</p>	
17/367	<p><u>Apologies accepted from</u> Cllr Chris Maynard (CM) – personal reasons Cllr Josie Walledge (JW) – personal reasons Devon County Councillor Alan Connett (AC) – personal reasons</p>	
17/368	<p><u>Declaration of interest on Agenda Items</u> None offered.</p>	
17/369	<p><u>Dispensation requests regarding Code of Conduct</u> None received.</p>	
17/370	<p><u>To approve the Draft Minutes of the EPC Meeting held on 17 July 2017</u> Resolved.</p>	
17/371	<p><u>County Councillors Report on items other than those on the agenda</u> Devon County Councillor Alan Connett was not present.</p>	
17/372	<p><u>District Councillors Reports on items other than those on the agenda</u> Teignbridge District Councillor Kevin Lake reported:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teignbridge District Council (TDC) officers could action problems with overgrown vegetation from properties adjacent to public areas if necessary. 2. Devon County Council (DCC) had issued an eviction notice on the Longhouse Community. 	
17/373	<p><u>Chairman's Report</u> The Chairman was not present.</p>	
17/374	<p><u>Clerk's Report</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Due to lack of committee support from its members, Teignbridge District Neighbourhood Watch Forum was in the process of being dissolved and the £250 granted by the Parish Council towards DNA property marking kits would be returned. 2. A survey had been commissioned by TDC regarding dog fouling and the accountability of dog owners. The link had been shared on Facebook. TDC were considering a Public Space Protection Order. 3. Complaints had been received about the undergrowth between the Matford and Devon Hotel Roundabouts encroaching on the footpath/cycleway. DCC had advised that there was currently an embargo on works in the area because of the Bridge Road roadworks and having inspected the undergrowth it was not considered to be severe enough to warrant urgent attention. 4. Delegated Authority in the sum of £300 had been used to instruct Jon Pearson to write a rebuttal to the response to the Highways report that the Parish Council had submitted to the Peamore application (16/03251/MAJ). Kenn Parish Council had agreed to pay 50% towards the cost of the report. 	

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	<p>5. Councillors were asked to contact the Clerk if they wanted to receive only electronic copies of the papers for Parish Council meetings.</p> <p>6. A holding response had been received from the area manager of Tesco, Rob Quick, regarding the provision of a Costa Coffee machine in the Exminster Store. Mr Quick had met with the Chairman of Coffee on the Corner and would forward his notes from the meeting, together with a copy of the Parish Council's letter to the property team for consideration. It was agreed that the response received by the Parish Council would be shared with Coffee on the Corner.</p> <p>7. Western Power had requested permission to trim two trees in the Under 8's play area that were interfering with power lines. Permission had been granted and it was made clear that the work should be carried out with consideration to the users of the play area.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>JD</p>
Planning Matters		
17/375	<u>Planning Applications</u>	
/1	<p>17/01806/CLDE, Treetops, Deepway Lane - Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of land for leisure/recreation and the stationing of caravan</p> <p>Cllr Evans summarised the history of applications on this site.</p> <p>It was noted that an application for a woodland observation cabin had been submitted and rejected (following appeal) in 2014.</p> <p>There were no comments on the TDC planning portal to date.</p> <p>It was resolved to comment that local sources disputed that the caravan had been in situ for ten years.</p>	HH
/2	<p>17/01904/FUL, Matford Filling Station - Installation of two rapid electric vehicle charging stations</p> <p>There were no comments on the TDC planning portal to date.</p> <p>It was resolved to support the application.</p>	HH
17/376	<u>Planning Decisions</u> Noted as listed below:	
/1	17/01375/FUL, 17 Crockwells Close – single storey front extension - GRANTED	
/2	17/01252/FUL, 39 Glebelands – dormer to west elevation - GRANTED	
/3	17/01167/FUL, Maytrees, Church Stile - dwelling in garden - GRANTED	
/4	17/01213/FUL, 10 Exe View - construction Of double garage/shed and associated hardstanding - GRANTED	
Other Planning Matters		
17/377	<p><u>Update on the Planning Committee meeting held on 1 August to consider the application relating to West Exe Park, Alphington</u></p> <p>Cllr Goodey summarised the meeting, explaining the reasons behind the resolution to defer rather than object to the application, including inconsistency in the number of jobs that the development would generate and a need to examine highways issues in greater detail.</p> <p>Following the meeting, Cllr Goodey and others who had spoken in objection to the application, had been contacted by the applicant, Exeter Estates, and invited to a meeting to discuss the concerns raised.</p> <p>Discussion about traffic measures that could be implemented to mitigate for the impact of the development were briefly discussed and it was suggested that a meeting with DCC Highways would be useful prior to any meeting with the applicant to ensure that any suggestions were realistic. It was agreed that Jon Pearson, the Highways Consultant who had written the Parish Council's response to the application should be invited to the meeting. As there was no proposal on expenditure for this on the agenda, and the timescale would not allow the matter to be resolved at the Parish Council meeting on 21 August, it was agreed that the Clerks would use Delegated Authority to arrange this in accordance with Financial Regulations.</p>	

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	<p>In the event that DCC did not deem a meeting to be necessary, Jon Pearson would be invited to the meeting with the applicant.</p> <p>At the conclusion of discussion, it was resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Goodey would update Kenn Parish Council on the discussions at this meeting. • Jon Pearson would be contacted to ascertain his availability and costs for attending meetings with DCC and/or the applicant. • A meeting would be requested with DCC Highways, to include representation from both Exminster and Kenn Parish Councils. • Kenn Parish Council would be invited to contribute to costs incurred by the attendance of Jon Pearson at any meetings. • Cllr Goodey would contact the applicant to accept the invitation to meet. <p>It was noted that there was no confirmed date for the application to be heard at the TDC Planning Committee meeting, but that it was important for the meetings to take place as soon as possible.</p>	<p>JG HH JD JG/ JD JG</p>
Finance Matters		
17/378	<p><u>Accounts for Approval</u> It was resolved to approve payments in the sum of £2520.68.</p>	HH
17/379	<p><u>To agree amendments to Exminster Parish Council's Financial Regulations</u> The Deputy Clerk explained that the majority of the amendments were changes recommended by NALC. Delegated Authority in respect of expenditure by the Green Spaces Working Party had been specified. It was resolved to approve the amendments.</p>	JD
17/380	<p><u>Councillors' Reports</u> 1. Cllr Smith reported that he had met with Caroline Aird, Emergency Plan Coordinator, to agree the way forward for the annual review and update of the plan.</p>	
17/381	<p><u>Public Open Session</u> No comments.</p>	
Date of next meeting: Monday 21 August 2017 at 19:30 in the Victory Hall		

Signed:....Josie Walledge..... Date:....21 August 2017.....