

Exminster Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Monday 19 August 2019 at 19:30 in the Victory Hall, Main Road, Exminster

Chairman: Brian Aird

19/381	<p><u>Public open session</u> Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A white Mercedes, parked on Dryfield, appeared to have been abandoned as it had not moved for a considerable time. Cllr Nuttall would take the matter up with a Teignbridge District Council (TDC) officer. 	
Part I		
19/382	<p><u>Present</u> Cllr Brian Aird (BA), Cllr Sheila Churchward (SC), Cllr Derek Madge (DM), Cllr Charles Nuttall (CN), Cllr John Ponsford (JP), Cllr Kevin Smith (KS), Cllr Lorne Smyth (LS), Cllr Josie Walledge (JW). Clerk: Mrs Jill Daw (JD) Deputy Clerk: Mrs Helen Hibbins (HH) Teignbridge District Councillors: Charles Nuttall (CN) Public: 2</p>	
19/383	<p><u>Apologies accepted from</u> Cllr Renata Szewczyk (RS) – personal reasons Cllr Rebecca Watts (RW) – personal reasons Cllr Peter Chandler (PC) – illness Devon County Councillor Alan Connett – personal reasons Teignbridge District Councillor Andrew Swain – personal reasons</p>	
19/384	<p><u>Declaration of interest on Agenda Items</u> None declared.</p>	
19/385	<p><u>Dispensation requests regarding Code of Conduct</u> None received.</p>	
19/386	<p><u>To approve the Draft Minutes of the EPC Meeting held on 5 August 2019</u> Resolved.</p>	
19/387	<p><u>Clerk's Report</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graffiti under the motorway bridge had been reported to Devon County Council (DCC). As the graffiti was not considered to be offensive there were no immediate plans for its removal and it would be attended to in due course. 2. The Children's Air Ambulance had contacted the Parish Council regarding the possibility of siting a clothing/textile bank on Parish Council owned land. It was thought that the Stowey Arms car park housed a similar recycling facility. It was suggested that the request may be considered by the Environment Working Party. 3. The Leader of Teignbridge District Council, Councillor Gordon Hook, had written to Town and Parish Councils regarding planning matters and requesting collaborative working. It was agreed that the Parish Council should engage at both an operational and strategic level with a number of portfolio holders appropriate to the needs of the Parish Council, particularly in the light of the Matford development. It was agreed that the Clerk would acknowledge the letter in the first instance, welcoming the positive suggestions. 4. A telephone call had been received reporting a minor accident had occurred whilst children were playing chase through both gates accessing the Under 8's play area. The top gate has now been permanently closed and the lower gate mechanism checked. The caller was advised that it is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that any equipment is used appropriately. The Clerk had asked for a written submission from the parent/guardian, outlining the circumstances of the incident. 5. A letter had been received regarding a recent dispute between a car driver and the Library Van driver over the Library van parking space. It was noted that the signage 	<p>EWP</p> <p>JD</p>

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	<p>for the parking space was ambiguous. It was suggested that the van parked on Dryfield as an alternative; possibly where the Fish and Chip van parked on Dryfield car park.</p> <p>6. An email had been received from Sarah Ratnage, Special Projects and Planning Manager at DCC, requesting a meeting regarding the Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) bid. It was agreed that a meeting should be arranged with representatives solely from Exminster Parish Council and not the wider Matford Stakeholder Group as suggested in the email.</p> <p>The email would be circulated to members of the Matford Working Party. The RFO would respond to Sarah Ratnage accordingly.</p>	<p>JD</p> <p>HH</p>
19/388	<p><u>To update Council on various events attended by Cllrs Churchward and Chandler relating to matters associated with the work of the Environment Working Party</u></p> <p>1. Teignbridge Climate Emergency Declaration – public meeting on 4 July Following presentations from several speakers, attendees were asked to submit questions. Cllrs Chandler and Churchward submitted four questions (listed in the report) but were disappointed that to date there had been no response from Jackie Hook, TDC Portfolio Holder for Climate Emergency. It was agreed that Cllr Churchward would forward them to the Clerk who in turn would send an email prompting a response.</p> <p>2. Environment Working Party events – 27 July and 10 August Residents and the public had commented on issues that they would like to see addressed by the Environmental Action Plan, to be drafted by the working party. The comments were noted under five themes (listed in the report). Three members of the public, including a representative from Westbank, who as an organisation were offering support, had expressed an interest in becoming members of the Working Party and these would need to be formally appointed at a future Parish Council meeting. A meeting of the Environment Working Party would be convened in late October/early November to discuss the draft plan.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about data privacy and ensuring that Working Party members (for all Working Parties of the Parish Council) complied with the Parish Council’s privacy policy. It was suggested that all Terms of Reference were amended to include this.</p>	<p>SC/JD</p> <p>JD</p>
19/389	<p><u>To note the consultation taking place by Teignbridge District Council to review Polling Districts and Places</u> Noted.</p>	
19/390	<p><u>To agree to waive the frequency of Exminster Neighbourhood Development Plan Implementation Group meetings as stated within the Terms of Reference, to allow Councillors to prioritise meetings of the Matford Working Party to consider South West Exeter planning applications</u> Resolved.</p>	
Planning Matters		
19/391	<u>Planning Applications</u>	
/1	<p>19/01130/MAJ, Land Off Chudleigh Road, Alphington - Approval of details for the construction of 162 dwellings, public open space, landscape planting, ecological mitigation measures, pedestrian, cycle and vehicular links and associated infrastructure (approval sought for appearance, layout, landscaping and scale) TDC planning had advised that revised plans would be submitted for this application. The Parish Council would comment on the application once these had been considered.</p>	JD
/2	<p>19/01224/MAJ, Land Off Chudleigh Road, Alphington - Erection of 17 dwellings with associated landscaping and access Considered in conjunction with 19/391/1.</p>	

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/3	<p>19/01237/MAJ, Land at Matford Home Park, South Of A379 - Approval of details for 220 residential units and associated infrastructure and public open space (Area A) (approval sought for appearance, landscaping, layout, and scale)</p> <p>In accordance with the minutes from the meeting on 5 August, comments on the application had been submitted to TDC using Delegated Authority.</p>					
/4	<p>19/01385/MAJ, Land at Matford Home Park South of A379, Matford - Approval of details for 13 dwellings and associated infrastructure and public open space (approval sought for appearance, landscaping, layout, scale, and access)</p> <p>Considered in conjunction with 19/391/3.</p>					
/5	<p>19/01393/FUL, 8 Brunel View - Erection of a 3-metre high boundary fence</p> <p>The proposed fence would match the existing fence; with continuity of materials and would therefore satisfy Exminster Neighbourhood Development Plan policy EXM03 (Quality of Design).</p> <p>It was resolved to support the application.</p>	HH				
/6	<p>19/01308/FUL, 139 Old Quarry Drive - Part conversion of attached garage to additional accommodation</p> <p>The proposed conversion would retain an element of storage space.</p> <p>It was noted that there was a planning condition relating to parking on the Milbury Reach development stating that the approved [parking] facilities should be kept permanently available for the parking of vehicles.</p> <p>It was resolved to object to the application due to the loss of parking amenity; expressing the Parish Council's disappointment and frustration that TDC planning department continued to approve applications involving the loss of parking amenity to garage conversions; in breach of planning conditions.</p>	HH				
19/392	Planning Decisions					
/1	<p>19/01055/LBC, 4 Killerton Walk, Devington Park - Installation of three Secondary Windows - GRANTED</p>					
/2	<p>19/00710/MAJ, Land at Matford Home Park South Of A379, Matford – Change Of use from agricultural land To Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGS) (Use Class D2) GRANTED</p>					
/3	<p>19/01188/FUL, 23 Crockwells Close - single storey rear extension GRANTED</p>					
/4	<p>19/01265/FUL, 48 Sentrays Orchard conversion of part of existing garage to additional accommodation – GRANTED</p> <p>Cllr Smith was concerned that TDC appeared to have ignored the comments that were submitted by the Parish Council; according to the officer's report.</p> <p>It was agreed to write to the planning department to express the Parish Council's disappointment that its comments had not been acknowledged.</p>	JD				
/5	<p>19/01016/MAJ, Land at Matford Home Park South of A379, Matford - change of use from agricultural land to Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGS) (Use Class D2) – GRANTED</p>					
/6	<p>19/01213/NPA, Luccombes Mead, Exminster - application for prior approval Under Part 3 Class Q (A) And (B) and Paragraph W of The GDPO change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling - GRANTED</p>					
Other Planning Matters						
19/393	<p><u>To note any planning matters regarding the Matford development</u></p> <p>No update.</p>					
Finance Matters						
19/394	<p>RFO's report</p> <p>Direct Debit payments during July were noted as beneath:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;"></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NEST pension scheme contributions</td> <td style="text-align: right;">49.26</td> </tr> </table>		£	NEST pension scheme contributions	49.26	
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