

SOUTH HUISH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

Date: 13 th October 2021		Venue & Time: Galmpton Village Hall, 19.00hrs
Present: Cllr Stephen Carter Cllr Paul Green Cllr Jo Hocking (in the chair) Cllr Ann Rossiter	In Attendance: Kathy Harrod (Parish Clerk) SHDC Cllr Mark Long DCC Cllr Rufus Gilbert Parishioners/guests 6	Apologies: SHDC Cllr Judy Pearce Cllr Simon Coleman Cllr Sue Darke Cllr Alan Rundle

REF 2021/22 MINUTES

40/21 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

41/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - No Declarations of Interest were received.

42/21 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the 8th September were agreed without alteration and signed by the Chairman.
Proposed Cllr Carter, Seconded Cllr Hocking, approved unanimously

43/21 CLERKS REPORT

- Sawmill Road Flooding: Highways have confirmed that the repair works are planned prior to Christmas, they do not plan to close the road in the meantime.
- Speeding Restriction Signage: We still await a response from SHDC.
- The National Trust and P3 teams are in the process of cutting back paths that have been identified as overgrown, this includes the bench previously mentioned near Hillside. Richard Pollard advised the Councillors that Flete Gardens have been undertaking approximately 50% of the parish work in Hope Cove. Some areas have been harder to maintain than usual due to the number of people who have obstructed access by parking along certain roads. The volunteers continue to cover all other work required. The majority of the funding in respect of the Parish Paths come from Devon County Council.
- Unmetalled Road Update: Any required maintenance is the responsibility of the Public Rights of Way team and should be reported online in the usual way.
- Tamarisks Bollard: No update.
- Airband, High Speed Internet Meeting: A meeting took place on 6th October regarding the installation of fibre broadband. The presentation and information regarding the properties to be connected and how other nearby properties can request connection will be provided by the Airband coordinator.
- Memorial Bench Installation: A location for a second new memorial bench is still under discussion.
- Seaweed Pool on Harbour Beach: We have investigated this situation, the Environment Agency have undertaken at least 20 checks on the water this year and at no point has there been an issue. They no longer offer individual reports but will issue a final report at the end of the year. Had there been any issues they would have erected signage etc with immediate effect. The smell and change in water colour is due to the chemical process of the seaweed breaking down. In the past some of the seaweed was removed by a local farmer to put on fields, unfortunately there were too many contaminants in the seaweed so this practice stopped.
- Fisherman's Car Park Lease: We have received no information from SHDC regarding the lease. Cllr Long is following this up.

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- Coastal Erosion & South West Water Issues: We have still not received information from South West Water regarding how they will protect the sewage pipe.
- Footpath Four Diversion Confirmed: SHDC have now officially confirmed the diverted route – walkers have been using the “new” route for over fifty years!

44/21 OPEN FORUM: (allocated time not longer than 15 minutes, a member of the public shall not speak for more than 2 minutes as per Standing Orders).

1. The footpath between Weymouth Park & Lantern Lodge requires attention. This is the responsibility of the landowner. A letter will be issued from the Parish Council.
2. The Department of transport recognise in rural villages that a speed limit can be required of 30mph or 20mph without the requirement for street lighting. The outcome of the recent 20mph survey is now due out, once the results from this survey have been posted to the public domain they will be reviewed and this item will be added to the following agenda.

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

- a. Keep reporting all Highways issues via the REPORT IT link below, retain the ‘W’ reference number and follow this up with the DCC Councillor or Parish Clerk if no action is taken.
 - b. Tamarisks, no further action is due to be taken regarding damage to the road.
 - c. The electoral roll as of 2017 had 373 people registered. With effect from this year the number of electors has dropped to 330 – this is one of the fastest declining populations in Cllr Gilberts area.
 - d. Both the Parish Council and South Hams District Council have recently received complaints about businesses trading on the public highway, these have been forwarded to Devon County Council. Access to the harbour area is being restricted and bin collections have been missed as a result. SHDC and DCC are now reviewing the situation and will meet with local businesses and the Parish Council to resolve the issues.
- Noted that with the support of DCC, The Cove has held a license to trade on a defined section of the public highway for a period in excess of four years. Further noted that if the Parish Council request the removal of A-boards in the area, Devon County Council will visit and remove all illegal A-boards.

REPORT IT:

Members of the public are requested to report all Highways through the Highways Website, enabling faster assessment of problem areas which can then be added to the repair/maintenance schedules. You can report potholes, overgrown vegetation, defective signs/lighting and much more.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

- e. Devon & Torbay Residential Charge Point Scheme – this is a residential scheme that Parish Councils can apply for if there is a requirement for charge points in the parish. Charging points are being installed at public car parks in the area, more will be installed locally for residents use only.
- f. There is an improvement plan re the planning system which will result in more planning and enforcement officers. This will also incorporate levels of consistency across the consideration of planning applications.
- g. Better Lives for All - a program of what the District Council will do for the next three years, full details are contained in the action plan on the website.
<https://mg.swdevon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=151&MId=1631&Ver=4>
- h. SHDC Have also declared a housing crisis in the South Hams due to the lack of affordable rental accommodation which is due in part to the number of properties being used as Air BnB and Holiday Homes. A paper is going to the Executive with a view to actioning as many of the points as possible. If people are letting houses that would

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normally be on long lets SHDC want to ensure that they are compliant for short term lets - this will include having the relevant planning in place, they have made proper arrangements to dispose of their waste and that they are paying council tax for a separate dwelling if they are letting it.

If anyone thinks they are going to be made homeless please contact SHDC at the earliest opportunity.

i. Recycling and Waste:

Information is being received regarding the tonnage of waste that is being missed.

SHDC are aware of the shortcomings of the "service" and reiterate if you know of anyone who is not getting their assisted collection, or their regular collection has been missed, it needs to be reported online. The online reports form the basis of the contract penalties. It must be reported on every occasion and Cllrs Pearce and Long be copied in.

Email Cllr Judy Pearce: cllr.judy.pearce@southhams.gov.uk

Email Cllr Mark Long: cllr.mark.long@southhams.gov.uk

It takes two minutes to report a problem, please help keep our community beautiful.

<https://apps.southhams.gov.uk/webreportit>

Abandoned Vehicle, Damaged or Full Dog Bin, Damaged/Full Litter Bin, Damaged/Full Recycling Bank, Dead Animal, Dirty Beach, Fly Tipping, Litter/Dog Mess, Planning Breach, Stray Dogs, AND MORE...

45/21 PLANNING, DECISIONS & ENFORCEMENT

a) LIST OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED/FOR DISCUSSION:

1. DM Committee Decisions:

4277/20/FUL Lantern Lodge – **SHDC Refused**

2133/19/VAR Cottage Hotel – **SHDC Deferred**

2. 2502/21/HHO, Oakdene, Readvertisement. **SHPC Support** subject to Bolberry stone being retained & a plan in place during the period of works to ensure that the additional vehicles do not cause obstruction.

3. 3475/21/CLE, Eldoret, Certificate of Lawfulness. **SHPC No Comments**

4. 2682/21/HHO, Cliff House, alterations & extension including double garage & office over. **SHPC Support** subject to conditions re light pollution coming from the roof lights and the studio, garage and office must remain ancillary to the main property in perpetuity.

DECISIONS:

5. 0865/21/VAR, Little Shear, Variation of Condition 2. **SHDC No Decision**

6. 1390/21/FUL, Higher Broadmoor Farm, (neighbouring parish consult). **SHDC Conditional Approval**

7. 3034/21/VAR, The Lanterns, Variation of Condition 2 – **Withdrawn**

8. 0515/21/OPA, Seahorses, Readvertisement, Demolition & Replacement with 2 properties, **SHCC No Decision**

b) ENFORCEMENT

Please note that the Enforcement Lists are confidential and issues concerning Enforcement cannot be discussed at a public meeting.

South Hams District Council are responsible for the enforcement of all planning breaches, the Parish Council have no authority to deal with issues of this nature.

Please will all parishioners continue to report full details of any violations that do not adhere to the original application for which permission was granted. ALL violations can be reported to Enforcement via

www.southhams.gov.uk/article/3043/Report-a-Planning-Breach

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46/21 BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED:

- a) Trading on the public highway: See Devon County Council report minute reference 44/21/d
- b) Neighbourhood Plan S106 Amendment: We have received suitable answers to our questions and have received information regarding the procedure we have to adhere to what for the amendments. However, Salcombe Town Council are putting through a similar update which is currently being reviewed by the Examiner, it is anticipated that the report will be issued by the end of the year. South Huish Parish Council will await sight of this report and update any of their proposed wording in line with the Examiners comments to ensure that there are no unnecessary delays in the process.
- c) Parish Parking Project: The project has now closed and the results have been analysed. The information will be assessed by the Project Group and the details received that do not disclose personal information will be uploaded to the website. The main elements of the report are a requirement for additional parking during peak season, additional traffic enforcement and a requirement for double yellows at pinch points and around the triangle.
- d) SMASH CEB: See Appendix B. A request for funding to the sum of £300 to be ringfenced for use by the SMASH CEB team subject to full council approval. Malborough PC have allocated just over this amount. The monies would be used in connection with a survey across the two parishes to enable a long-term plan to be created in accordance with what sustainable measures the residents want to see in place, the sub-committee are a good, active group and are making positive changes. Sustainability Funding is available from SHDC, Cllr Long to send the information to the Parish Clerk.
Proposed: Cllr Green, Seconded Cllr Rossiter, approved unanimously.
- e) Defibrillator Checks & Locations: Cllr Long will refer to SHDC re the public toilet unit to ascertain if it can be moved to a more visible wall on the building. Maps of the locations will be created and added to all noticeboards, these will also be included in the next newsletter and we will approach holiday companies to add the details to the information packs at the rented properties. The Hope and Anchor have been asked to instal a new unit, we await their response.

47/21 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE:

Receipts & Payments –Month 7, see **APPENDIX A** for details

Accounts to pay – Clerks Salary & HMRC, Survey Monkey £100, Nick Walker Printing £105, Flete Gardens (P3) £441.50

Proposed: Cllr Hocking, seconded: Cllr Rossiter, approved unanimously.

Governance:

- a) Proposal to accept draft Memorandum of Understanding between SHDC & SHPC

Proposed: Cllr Green, Seconded Cllr Rossiter, approved unanimously.

At 20.40 hrs the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed

Items for inclusion on next agenda:

- Maintenance plan for grassed areas including verges and the triangle.
- Overgrown land at the Coastguard Station.

Next Meeting Dates – These meetings will take place only if it is considered Covid safe:

- 10th November, 7pm, 12th Jan, 9th Feb, 9th March, Venue Galmpton Village Hall.

Please watch the website and noticeboards* for details of meetings and other pertinent information.

* SHPC are not always able to update the noticeboard opposite the Post Office due to vehicular obstruction.

Signed as a true record: _____

Print Name & Date: _____

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Agenda Items and Updates; where possible please submit to the Clerk by the first Wednesday in the month to ensure time for inclusion, circulation, and study. If a Council Member is unable to attend a meeting it would be appreciated if they could submit a brief précis of progress on their actions, if applicable, (to the Clerk for distribution) together with their apologies.

Distribution List

Cllrs Carter, Coleman, Darke, Green, Hocking, Rossiter, Rundle **for Information to:** County Cllr R Gilbert, Dist. Cllr Judy Pearce, Cllr Mark Long, WPC Pengilly, 3 South Huish Parish Council Notice Boards, National Trust, Richard Pollard, Dave Illingworth

APPENDIX A - Month 7

Category	Descriptor	Date	Month No. of Report to Council	banked	Paid In	Paid Out	Cash Book Balance
Cash Book Balance b/f from last financial year							15,367.56
Receipt	SHDC Second Tranche Precept	24/09/2021	7	Y	8,849.00	-	29,726.15
Payment	Seton Signage (via K Harrod)	24/09/2021	7	Y	-	26.50	29,699.65
Payment	Nick Walker Printing	24/09/2021	7	Y	-	90.00	29,609.65
Payment	Do it All Services, Ian Feetenby PROW	24/09/2021	7	Y	-	75.00	29,534.65
Payment	September Clerks Salary	30/09/2021	7	Y	-	491.12	29,043.53
Receipt	September Gross Interest	09/09/2021	7	Y	0.17	-	29,043.70
TOTALS YTD Financial year 2021/22					£ 18,679.55	-£ 5,003.41	29,043.70