

# SOUTH HUISH PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

<b>Date:</b> 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2022		<b>Venue &amp; Time:</b> Galmpton Village Hall, 19.00hrs
<b>Present:</b>  Cllr Paul Green Cllr Jo Hocking (in the chair) Cllr Steve Pearson Cllr Ann Rossiter Cllr Alan Rundle	<b>In Attendance:</b>  Kathy Harrod (Parish Clerk)  SHDC Cllr Judy Pearce DCC Cllr Rufus Gilbert Parishioners/guests 10	<b>Apologies:</b>  SHDC Cllr Mark Long Cllr Simon Coleman

REF 2022/23 MINUTES

### 90 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Councillor Hocking advised that Cllr Green has submitted a letter of retirement and this will be his last meeting. Cllr Green was thanked for all the time and energy he has given to the parish over the years.

### 91 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - No declarations of interest were received.

### 92 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 without alteration, these were signed by the Chairman.

### 93 CLERKS REPORT & COUNCILLOR VACANCY

- Fisherman's Car Park: We await news of who would be responsible for the issue of a lease to SHPC, it transpires that DCC own the land. Cllr Long continues to work on our behalf.
- The Insurance is due for renewal shortly, a full review of all sums insured will take place to ensure the figures are appropriate.
- With the resignation of Cllr Green, a vacancy notice will be issued.

### 94 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).

- A survey re drainage has recently taken place. What is this for? It was also noted that, without permission, surveyors accessed private property and a representative from the electricity board was in attendance to locate the live wires. Cllr Rossiter may be able to provide further information at the next meeting.
- Tony Adams, on behalf of Hope Cove Weekend, confirmed that the event would take place this year but on a smaller scale.
- On behalf of the SMASH CEB group, Tony Adams then gave an overview of the Climate and Nature Fair held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April at Malborough Village Hall. It was a popular event with a good range of speakers and stalls with support from local schools including KCC. If anyone has any feedback about the event, please email the parish clerk.

### DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

Cllr Rufus Gilbert, Email: [Rufus.Gilbert@devon.gov.uk](mailto:Rufus.Gilbert@devon.gov.uk)

### DEVOLUTION DEAL FOR DEVON PLYMOUTH & TORBAY.

- 1) We are one of ten areas in England to be chosen.
- 2) We have been economically underperforming for years.
- 3) We are now negotiating a Devolution Deal that:
  - a) Does not require a Mayor.

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b) Operates with existing local govt structure.

c) Requires a combined authority

Functions are Housing, Skills/Employment, Public Transport, LEP existing functions, Prosperity.

There is no deal until a deal is agreed between all parties.

Hoping to conclude negotiations by winter 2022 and operational by April 2023.

An initial template has now been submitted to government.

### **FREEPORT / FREEZONE – approved today (13<sup>th</sup> April 2022)**

- 1) Will bring up to £100 Million investment and up to 3,500 jobs.
- 2) Relations/negotiations between DCC, Plymouth & SHDC going well.
- 3) Submission/Business Case to Government imminent.
- 4) Involves 130 hectares of land at South Yard, Langage and Oceansgate, a large hydrogen plant will be built within it.
- 5) It is important to demonstrate these are new jobs and not existing ones transferring in.

### **REPORT IT:**

Members of the public are requested to report all Highways issues 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:**

Email Cllr Judy Pearce: [cllr.judy.pearce@southhams.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.judy.pearce@southhams.gov.uk)

Email Cllr Mark Long: [cllr.mark.long@southhams.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.mark.long@southhams.gov.uk)

- a. £285k will be received by SHDC for the Prop-tech engagement fund – this is in respect of a new Government planning initiative to get planning online. Monies are for development of an interactive tool to explore how all aspects of community infrastructure are used by residents.
- b. Devon Deal: SHDC and Parish Council structures will remain the same. The deal will only apply to the monies coming from Government, this will be in the form of a lump sum which can be spent by the authority on specified areas.
- c. Garden waste service (brown bins) are now being collected again. If you need to check when your next collection is, please see the South Hams District Council website. Simply enter your postcode to find your next collection day. As before, your brown bin will be collected on alternate weeks to your black bin. If bins are not collected, please report it online directly to South Hams District Council.
- d. A donation of £10k was approved to the disasters and emergency fund for Ukraine. 21 families in the South Hams have offered to host refugees. Tasks are split between DCC & SHDC. SHDC are in charge of inspecting those properties are fit to receive refugees. DCC are required to undertake DBS checks. SHDC are up to date with all that has been required of them, the delay is now with the Home Office.
- e. The 56-day rule of the last two years has now reverted to the original 28-day rule. This is a government ruling.
- f. It has been agreed to put solar panels on all SHDC swimming pools, this includes the pool in Kingsbridge.
- g. New on-street parking regulations have come into force, SHDC will be putting notices regarding the regulations on their car park noticeboards. There is a three-week consultation in respect of this.

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

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

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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...

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### **95 PLANNING, DECISIONS & ENFORCEMENT**

#### **a) LIST OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED/FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. 0358/22/FUL, Land at SX 676 403, New 3 bed bungalow resubmission of 0060/22/FUL. **WITHDRAWN**
2. 0387/22/VAR, Land adjacent to Weymouth Park, Variation of condition 2 3778/19/FUL. **SHDC REFUSED**  
**At the March meeting the council voted to object to 0358/22/FUL, the vote was recorded as 2:2 using the Chairmans casting vote as there was one abstention. Following the meeting it transpired that information provided on the night was incorrect and misleading. As the representative was the same, both applications were due to be reviewed again. The applications have since been respectively withdrawn and refused, the option to review is no longer applicable, however, the two Councillors who voted to support the application at the March meeting have both confirmed to the Clerk in writing that, had they been aware of the factual details regarding the property, they would both have objected to the application.**
3. 0070/22/VAR, Lantern Lodge, Variation of Condition 2 (14/4) **SHPC Conditional Support.**
4. Lantern Lodge Appeal Start Notification: Installation of 2 gas tanks below lawn.  
For notification only: Anyone who has previously submitted a comment can submit further comments to ensure the views of the parish are heard. The parish council will reiterate their original objection.
5. 1096/22/PAT, Cornerstone Telecommunications, replace two cabinets & ancillary works, Malborough Green Reservoir. **SHPC Support**

#### **DECISIONS:**

6. 0270/22/CLE, Kiln Field, Certificate of Lawfulness. **SHDC no decision yet.**
7. 4713/21/HHO, The Willows, Hope Cove, application for ancillary annexe. **SHDC Conditional Approval**
8. 4639/21/HHO, St Johns Lodge Hope Cove, Raise roof to form first floor accommodation. **SHDC no decision yet**
9. 4031/21/FUL, Sand Pebbles Hope Cove, Hotel redevelopment. **SHDC no decision yet**
10. 1303/21/FUL, Land At SX 680402 east of Thornlea View, erection of ten dwellings. **SHDC no decision yet**
11. 0865/21/VAR, Little Shear, Readvertisement, application for variation of Condition 2. **SHDC no decision yet.**
12. 3530/21/FUL, Former Hope Cove Hotel, demolish hotel and erect dwelling. **SHDC no decision yet.**
13. 4368/21/HHO, Lodge House, various alterations. **SHDC Conditional Approval.**

#### **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](http://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/3043/Report-a-Planning-Breach)

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### **96 BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

#### **a) Platinum Jubilee Update:**

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The Councillors resolved to purchase a plaque for a tree. They further resolved to purchase water bottles for the school children as a joint venture with Malborough, West Alvington and Thurlestone. Ward Councillors will support this project with assistance from their localities budget.

**b) South West Water:**

Anthony Raine has responded re the concerns regarding coastal stability: *Given that South Hams Council are the coastal authority who are responsible for managing coast defences, coastal change, coastal planning, coastal assets, public health and safety, coastal habitats, and emergency response. He suggests that this concern is taken up directly by the Parish Council with South Hams Council. However, we have no current concerns with our assets in the area, however if there is an asset failure, we would manage this as an emergency and would probably result in emergency tankering until our asset is repaired or rediverted.*

Ben Hamilton Smith who is the Waste Water Treatment Manager has advised the following: *Outer Hope Cove Sewerage Pumping Station (SPS) should only need tankering in emergency circumstances to prevent any environmental impact, this is where the effluent is transferred to Galmpton Sewerage Treatment Works for full treatment. Also we require tankering for the Pump Station Pre-Bathing season cleansing. The only other time this year that we have needed any tankering is to provide support to the essential improvement works at the SPS, which I believe was proactively discussed with some of the local residents recently that live close to the SPS.*

**c) Parish Parking:** Minutes from the first meeting have been attached as Appendix B. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 6.30pm at the Fisherman's Reading Room.

**d) SMASH CEB Update:** 20 more litter pickers have been ordered and are now in the MPC store.

The Climate and Nature Fair held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April was deemed a success. A report has been included in the Malborough Messenger and has been forwarded for inclusion in the next South Huish Parish Newsletter. No update is available re the potential installation of a water fountain on the wall of the Hope Cove public toilets.

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**97 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE:**

**a) Receipts & Payments – Month 13 & 1, See Appendix A, Clerks Salary & HMRC, DALC £98.34, Viking £88.11, Nick Walker Printing £105, SHDC PAYE £120, Litter Pickers £79.99 It was unanimously resolved to accept all payments, a mandate sheet was produced and signed.**

**b) Governance:**

1. 2021/22 Audits: The audit documentation has now been issued to Towns and Parishes and the documentation requested by the Internal Auditor has been forwarded.
2. Annual Governance & Accountability AGAR Part 2 – Certificate of Exemption. With gross income not exceeding £25,000 in the year of account ended 31 March 2022, South Huish Parish Council certified themselves exempt from a limited assurance review under Section 9 of the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015. This approved unanimously.
3. Annual Governance & Accountability, Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 was reviewed, completed, and approved unanimously.
4. Annual Governance & Accountability. Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2020/21 was reviewed and approved unanimously as being a true record of the 2021/22 accounts.

**97 b. 1,2,3 & 4 Proposed: Cllr Hocking, Seconded: Cllr Rossiter, approved unanimously**

5. **Policy Review:** Draft policies were forwarded to all councillors for approval at the May meeting.

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**98** At 20.03 hrs the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.

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### 99 FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

- Leat Maintenance
- South Huish, St Andrews Church

Next Meeting Dates –11<sup>th</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> Jun, 13<sup>th</sup> Jul, 14<sup>th</sup> Sept, 12<sup>th</sup> Oct, 9<sup>th</sup> Nov, 7.00pm, 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### APPENDIX A

Category	Descriptor	Date	Month No. of Report to Council	banked	Paid In	Paid Out	Cash Book Balance
Payment	SLCC Annual Subscription	28/03/2022	13	Y	-	215.00	25,052.01
Payment	March Clerk Salary	31/03/2022	13	Y	-	570.57	24,481.44
Payment	March Gross Interest	09/03/2022	13	Y	0.16		24,481.60
Payment						-	24,481.60
Payment							24,481.60
Payment							24,481.60
TOTALS YTD Financial year 2021/22					£ 18,680.57	-£ 9,566.53	24,481.60
RECONCILIATION CASH BOOK TO BANK							£
Cash book balance b/d					FY 2021/22 month	13	£ 24,481.60
Balance at bank at end :						12-Apr-22	
	Revenue Accounts					24,481.60	
	Unpresented Items				receipts	-	
				HMRC PAYMENT	payments		
						£ 24,481.60	-
							Variance