

SOUTH HUISH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

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| Date: 11 th October 2023 | | Venue & Time: Galmpton Village Hall, 7.00pm |
| Present: Cllr Jan Carter Cllr Jo Hocking (in the Chair) Cllr Darren James Cllr Steve Pearson Cllr Anne Rossiter Cllr Tom Windle | In Attendance: Kathy Harrod (Parish Clerk) Ward Cllr Mark Long Parishioners/guests: 13 | Apologies: DCC. Cllr Rufus Gilbert Ward Cllr Sam Dennis Cllr Alan Rundle Cllrs resolved to accept the apologies given. |

REF 2023/24 MINUTES

205 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Prior to the commencement of the meeting our condolences were given to the family of Owen Masters who passed away recently.

206 PARISHIONERS 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).

- At the previous meeting, a query was raised regarding land status. Cllr Gilbert was unable to assist as the land is under private ownership. Cllr Long will look into the situation.

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL: No report for October.

Cllr Rufus Gilbert, Email: Rufus.Gilbert@devon.gov.uk

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 Samantha Dennis: samantha.dennis@swdevon.gov.uk

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

- A Public Space Protection Order consultation has commenced re control of dogs across the area. This consultation takes place every three years and is relevant to SHPC due to the rules regarding dogs on beaches.
- 1,500 properties registered for business rates have been written to. Their waste/recycling is classed as commercial and these properties are required to have a commercial waste contractor or to sign up to South Hams District Council's own commercial waste collection. If no response is received after 28 days they will be subject to a monthly fixed penalty until it has been proven that a commercial waste collection is in place.
- SHDC have issued their Draft Corporate Strategy, this is currently out for consultation, hard copies are available by contacting the Parish Clerk, alternately read the strategy and comment at <https://ourcorporatestrategy.commonplace.is/>
- The Joint Local Plan is being reviewed over the next 18 months and will be issued for consultation in due course.
- The new draft Corporate Strategy has some proposed significant changes with respect to housing stock and how it is managed. This includes consideration of creating an umbrella community land trust – which does not give a

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“right to buy” option. SHDC will request first refusal of any social housing due to be sold off to ensure that the housing stock does not reduce further.

6. Issues such as Enforcement are also under review – this comprises of a full review of existing policy, handling of complaints and the resources that are required for the service.
7. A new planning system is due to go live in November, this will ensure applications are uploaded and dealt with more effectively. There will also be more transparency.
8. With regard to Planning, there will be a new approach whereby amendments (i.e., variations of conditions) are considered by the Assistant Director in consultation with the Chairman of the Development Management Committee. They will be responsible for determining which are minor technical and which are material or contentious amendments. Anything that is material or contentious will be dealt with by the Development Management Committee.
9. A question was raised regarding the additional costs of missed refuse collections. Cllr Long advised there is a cost for mixed collections, however, where possible mixed collections are made in conjunction with other work.

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

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

Missed Bins, Abandoned Vehicle, Damaged/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...

THE MEETING CONVENED

207 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & ALTERATIONS TO REGISTERS OF INTEREST - None received.

208 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 13th September 2023 meeting without alteration, these were then signed by the Chairman.

209 CLERKS REPORT

- Housing Needs Survey – The survey closed on 22nd September, we await an analysis of the responses.
- Hope Cove Phone Box was damaged in the wind and reported by the Harbourmaster, it has now been repaired.
- A complaint has been received regarding the water runoff from The Lanterns driveway causing flooding, furthermore that the road/turning circle have not been repaired and the refuse bins appear to be for homeowners rather than commercial. Devon County Council and South Hams District Council are investigating.
- We have received confirmation that Project Community Access commenced from Tuesday 3rd October, this is a new initiative which will see village halls and community buildings across South Devon being used as ‘hubs’ by police officers while they are out on patrol. Neither Galmpton village hall nor the Fisherman’s Reading Room have signed up to this initiative, the details of which have been forwarded again.
- A link to the new South Hams District Council corporate strategy has been forwarded to Councillors, full details can be found on the South Hams District Council website.
- We still await clarification regarding actions required for the minor modification to the Neighbourhood Plan.
- The road at East Charleton is due to be closed between 09.00 – 15.30hrs from 13th November to 4th December for drainage work and patching. Outside these hours, Traffic Management can be used and the road will be reopened with those restrictions in place.

210 PLANNING, DECISIONS & ENFORCEMENT

a) LIST OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED/FOR DISCUSSION:

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1. 2821/23/CLP, 46 Weymouth Park, Certificate of lawfulness for proposed conversion & use part of an integral single garage to expand second bedroom & create an attached link room & will be accessed through the enlarged second bedroom, existing front garage door will be replaced with a window. **No concerns raised.**
2. 2822/23/FUL, Hope Barton Barns, Erection of ground mounted solar array. 26/10 NEIGHBOURING CONSULT. **No objections.**
3. 2943/23/HHO, Little Orchard House, Thurlestone Sands, re-roofing, alterations to dwelling/garage 19/10. **No objections.**
4. 3047/23/FUL, The Linhay, South Huish Farm, Amendment to planning permission 0481/23/FUL & erection of new garden store 19/10. **No Objections subject to maintenance of existing conditions.**
5. 2883/23/CLE, Alston Gate, Malborough, Certificate of lawfulness for existing use as commercial horticultural nursery & garden centre (Use Class E) - formerly known as 'Alston Nursery' 16/10 NEIGHBOURING CONSULT. **Councillors confirmed the nursery had been in place in accordance with the statement made.**
6. 2844/23/HHO, Well Cottage, Galmpton, replace existing double-glazed window with white aluminium framed double glazed bi-fold door 26/10. **Support.**
7. 3093/23/VAR, Little Shear, variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) of consent 1079/20/FUL 26/10. **Object.**
8. 3044/23/ARC, Oakdene, Galmpton, approval of details reserved by condition 3 (Construction Management Plan), 4 (Stonework) 6 (Electric Vehicle Charging Point Details) & 7 (Planting Details) of planning consent 3475/22/HHO 18/10. **Object to approval of conditions 3 & 4, support approval of conditions 6 & 7**

b) SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS:

1. 3368/22/FUL, Sand Pebbles Hotel. **No Decision Yet.**
2. 1595/23/VAR, Lantern Lodge Hotel, 6/7. **Conditional Approval.**
3. 2886/22/HHO, 39 Weymouth Park, Appellant: Mrs S Harley, Secretary of State Appeal.
4. Sand Pebbles, 4031/21/FUL, Secretary of State Appeal.
5. 2519/23/HHO, Poppins, Galmpton. 21/9. **Withdrawn.**
6. 2516/23/FUL, 2 Elm Cottages, Burleigh Lane 21/9. **Refused.**
7. 3910/22/FUL, Sea Thrift, Hope Cove, TQ7 3HH, Secretary of State Appeal

c) 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

211 BUSINESS TO BE NOTED/DISCUSSED:

- a) It was **RESOLVED** that South Huish Parish Council will establish a good citizen award. Nominees to be received by 31st March annually, a presentation will be made at the Annual Parish Meeting and a plaque will be added to the bench by The Lanterns.
- b) Parish Parking Project & issues with blue badge holders blocking Inner Hope Slipway: A request has been submitted for the parking restrictions previously approved by South Huish Parish Council. Devon County Council advise, subject to their being no issues with the works, they should be implemented by the end of March 2025. The restrictions include no loading/unloading by the Inner Hope slipway, this will prevent blue badge holders parking in this area causing an obstruction to the lifeboat.
- c) Councillors **RESOLVED** to recreate Beach Feet for the parish using a more durable material. Local organisations will be contacted with a request for their involvement.

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212 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE:

a) Receipts & Payments – Month 7,

Accounts to Pay: C Wrangles £50

Standing Orders/Monthly Payments: Clerks Salary & HMRC, Hugo Fox £11.99 Galampton Hall Hire £400

Councillors **RESOLVED** to make all payments.

Receipts & Payments 1st – 30th September:

| Date | Description | Supplier | Net | VAT | Total |
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| 11/09/2023 | Receipt - Interest (Gross) | Lloyds Bank | 37.89 | | 37.89 |
| 12/09/2023 | Receipt - Precept 2nd Tranche | South Hams District Council | 10,939.50 | | 10,939.50 |
| 13/09/2023 | Payment - P3 Contractor | Flete Gardens | -200.00 | -40.00 | -240.00 |
| 13/09/2023 | Payment - P3 Contractor | Do It All Services | -80.00 | | -80.00 |
| 13/09/2023 | Payment - Newsletter Printing | Nick Walker Printing Ltd | -152.40 | | -152.40 |
| 13/09/2023 | Payment - Hall Hire | Galampton Village Hall | -300.00 | | -300.00 |
| 13/09/2023 | Payment - Signage | AMAZON | -34.68 | | -34.68 |
| 26/09/2023 | Payment - Wages | South Huish Parish Council | -521.03 | | -521.03 |
| | | | 9,689.28 | -40.00 | 9,649.28 |

b) Governance: The 2024/25 draft budget will be discussed at the November meeting.

It was noted that the defibrillator at the Old Parsonage will be moved to a more visible location at The Exchange. The owner of The Exchange has very kindly agreed to cover the costs of the new installation. Cllr James will provide further details in due course.

213 At 20.12 hrs the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.

2023 Meeting Dates: 8th Nov.

2023 Parking Project: Postponed until further notice.

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 : South Huish Parish Councillors, **for information to:** Devon County Council and South Hams District Council representatives, South Huish Parish Council Website, National Trust, Richard Pollard, Dave Illingworth