

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WEST DOWN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT WEST DOWN PARISH HALL ON 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

Present: Cllr C King (Chairman), DCllr M Wilkinson, PCSO P Grantham, Cllrs S Ayre, R Drew, F Hookway, K Oades, S Squire and R Watts.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30pm with apologies for absence received from CCllr A Davis and DCllr P Barker.

3692. Police Report. – PCSO P Grantham reported on the following:

- a. There were 3 crimes for West Down area including 2 x damage to farm signs and 1 x ABH.
- b. The Police Newsletter gives the crime figures for the month but the Chair asked about the 'clear up rates' from the crimes.

3693. Minutes of the Last Meeting. The Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September were approved and signed.

3694. Matters Arising.

- a. 3680c. A reply has been received from Ros Davies from P3 about walking FP12 to see what help can be given and arrangements are in hand.
- b. 3680f. The Clerk wrote a letter of complaint about the noise from dogs and smell from bonfires from one of the fields up Ilfracombe Hill but there has been no reply as yet. DCllr Wilkinson suggested sending it again.
- c. 3686. It was decided to await an update regarding the Devon Air Ambulance before deciding when to have the next Parish Forum.
- d. 3687b. Condition 6 of planning approval 60385 requires a Construction Management Plan which should be adhered to.

3695. CCllrs Report. CCllr Davis sent a written report on the following subjects:

- a. The North Devon Link Road consultation.
- b. Extra cash for North Devon schools.
- c. The village Post Office has been closed because of IT issues. CCllr Davis has reported this to County Hall,
- d. The white lines outside Quicks Tenement are not going to be re-painted, however she did offer to pursue the possibility of erecting a Pedestrian Protection Barrier outside the Iron Room.
- e. She has arranged for an inspector to view the road surface outside Churchill House.

3696. DCllrs Report. DCllr M Wilkinson reported on the following:

- a. The Boundary Review where there are proposals to add Lee and Knowle to the Woolacombe and Georgeham Ward.

b. The North Devon Link Road consultation – a proposal has been submitted and costed at £M88.

3697. Footpaths. Cllr Oades reported on the following:

a. There is a rotten tread on a stile on FP6. Cllr Hookway will ask Gareth Hookway.

3698 Highways Maintenance.

a. The Chair wished thank Mr Chris Facey for cutting the hedge along the church wall. As a result the clerk did not seek a quote for clearing the verge along the church/road wall and disposal of the waste. However, it was decided that a quote should still be asked for as, although the hedge was cleared, the water table still needs clearing. This will be revisited at the next meeting following the predicted storms.

3699. Planning Decisions. The following decisions have been made:

a. 61716 - Appeal against decision to refuse development at Foxhunters Inn – Dismissed.

b. 63565 - Variation of condition 4 (occupancy restriction) attached to planning permission 86/1302/66/1 (proposed holiday units & clubhouse with sewerage treatment plant) & condition 5 (occupancy restriction) attached to planning permission 7310 (approval of details proposed 24 no. holiday cottages) to allow holiday use all year - 30 Willingcott Valley. – Approved.

c. 63350 - Extension to & conversion of agricultural building to form one unit of holiday accommodation together with siting of temporary structure timber cabin to provide one unit of holiday accommodation (The Den) (amended information) – Butterhills. – Approved.

3700. Planning Applications.

a. 63678 - Concreting of an existing farmyard area - Foxhill Farm.  
Cllrs Hookway and Squire declared an interest. Cllr Hookway left the room. - Unanimous approval.

b. 63784 - Alterations and extension to four units of holiday accommodation - Little Comfort Farm. – Unanimous approval.

c. 63833 - Erection of agricultural building over existing livestock yard area (associated applications: 63833, 63834, 63835, 63837, & 63838) – Cheglinch Farm – Majority Approval. Due consideration must be given to local residents.

3701. Correspondence.

a. Mr D Ayre – Notification of Parish Hall insurance.

b. WDPHMC – Poster advertising events to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Parish Hall.

c. Grant Thornton Auditors. Annual Return for y/e March 2017 – nothing to report.

3702. Finance.

a. Bank Statements

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| (1) West Down Parish Council | wef 30 <sup>st</sup> September | £6946.99 – reconciled. |
| (2) 30 Day Notice Account    | wef 30 <sup>st</sup> September | £5800.11.              |

b. Cheques

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| (1) BACS payment received from NDC for £4001.23 being 50% Annual Precept (£3575) and 50% Parish Grant (£335) and £91.23 Grant Assistance. |           |
| (2) Cheque No 464 to Croyde Aerials – Website service   | - £90.00  |
| (3) Cheque No 465 to WDPHMC – 6 months hire of hall   | - £90.00  |
| (4) Cheque No 466 to WDPHMC – 50% grant   | - £250.00 |
| (5) Cheque No 467 to WDPCC – 50% grant  | - £550.00 |
| (6) Cheque No 468 to WDVGFA – 50% grant   | - £400.00 |

c. Mid-Term Account. The Mid-Term Account was presented and approved.

3703. Any Other Business.

- a. Clerk to seek advice from DALC with regard to gaining planning permission for the aerial for the Devon Air Ambulance.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.05 pm.