Haccombe-with-Combe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6 March 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Boarer (Chairman), Evans, Humble, Hussey, Johnstone and Pattinson

Also present: District Cllr Haines, County Cllr Dewhirst and two members of the public

Clerk: Suzanna Hughes

Before the start of the meeting, Councillors were asked to remember Billy Smith, a former Parish Councillor and resident of the parish, whose funeral had taken place today.

060319.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from:

- Cllr Duggleby
- Cllr Squires
- County Cllr Hook
- PC Harvey

060319.02 POLICE REPORT

Reported crimes from 07/02/19 – 06/03/19

- Combeinteignhead (0 crimes)
- Haccombe (0 crimes)
- Netherton (0 crimes)

060319.03 OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from members of the public**.**

060319.04 DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

District Cllr Haines informed members that a council tax increase has been voted through (an increase of £5 per average Band D property).

County Cllr Dewhirst gave a report, a copy of which is attached.

060319.05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Members were reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and to declare any disclosable interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they have in any items to be considered at this meeting. Members were reminded that unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a member would have been aware of such before the meeting.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

060319.06 MINUTES

Members approved and signed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6 February 2019.

060319.07 DELEGATE REPORTS

Cllr Johnstone reported that the Village Hall had hosted the Village Supper which was well attended. Feedback was gathered and new offers of help were given. The Committee is starting to gather a collection of pledges/promises for the auction on 27 April which has been arranged to help raise money for repairs to the roof. Combe

Breakfast was last week after which a small group met with Cllr Dewhirst for the village litter pick. 'Brexit Balls Up' (a Brexit free evening) will be held on 30 March.

060319.08 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE

8.1 **Expenditure**

Members approved the following payments:

Cheque no	Payee	Details	Amount
BACS	South West Water	Hearn Field water	£54.51
1045	DTX	Domain renewal; Hosting; Self-editing	£180
1046	Combe, Haccombe, Stoke Parish Magazine	Hearn Field advert	£60
1047	E Deane	Wood treatment for the tractor shed	£80
DD	EDF	Hearn Field electricity (1 February)	£39
SO	Clerk	Salary (1 February)	£252.79

8.2 **Income**

Members noted the income received in February:

Received	Received from	Details	Amount
8 February	TDC (District Cllr's locality budget)	Grant (Sea wall repairs)	£920
February	Hearn Field bookings	Hearn Field bookings	£372.50
11 February	Lloyds	Bank interest	0.47

8.3 **Bank Balances at 28 February 2019**

Current account	Savings account	Sea Wall account	Total
£5,959.97	£10,501.93	£3,823.23	£20,285.13

060319.09 PLANNING

9.1 **New applications/appeals**

9.1.1 19/00253/FUL – Willow Springs, Land of Park House, Netherton
Agricultural building for use as workshop and storage in connection with the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land

After discussion, members objected to this application on the grounds that the building is too large for the piece of land on which it would be sited.

The application also states that it can't be seen from the public highway. On visiting the site, this is not the case.

It was also noted that no planning notices have been erected and therefore it is suspected that neighbouring properties are not aware of the application. The Parish Council asked that confirmation is sought from the planning authority that the process for notifying neighbours has been followed.

9.2 **Decisions**

9.2.1 18/02594/ADV – Coombe Cellars, Combeinteignhead
Replacement signage and lighting

Members noted that TDC has granted conditional planning permission.

It was noted that the bright lighting in the car park, which has been raised quite significantly, does not appear to have been subject to a planning application. The clerk was asked to contact TDC to query why this lighting does not require permission particularly as wildlife considerations were relevant and the location is in a bat flight path. It was noted that changes to the lighting has been completed since the application was approved.

9.2.2 18/02513/FUL – Land north of Village Hall, Combeinteignhead
Erection of an agricultural building

Members noted that TDC has granted conditional planning permission.

9.3 **Planning Cafes**
Members received an invitation to attend a Planning Café at which informal briefings would be given to provide information on the Teignbridge Local Plan refresh process. Cllr Hussey offered to represent the Council at the session on 13 March in Newton Abbot.

060319.10 WEBSITE
Cllr Evans informed members that she had approached three potential suppliers of a new website and presented the options and recommendations. After discussion and consideration of each proposal, it was agreed to commission Netwise. Cllr Evans agreed she would co-ordinate the next steps but it was decided that when the site is up and running, all members would be jointly responsible for updating it.

060319.11 COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BID
It was agreed not to pursue an application to register the Wild Goose Inn under the Community Right to Bid scheme.

060319.12 ELECTIONS
The Clerk updated members on the Election process and distributed nomination packs to those wishing to stand for election. Members were also advised that two seats have been created in the new Hawthorn ward. To encourage parishioners in that ward to stand, it was agreed to distribute a leaflet which Cllr Johnstone would draft.

060319.13 HEARN FIELD
The Chairman of the Hearn Field Committee sent the following written report:

Bookings
Reach Outdoors: 13-17 May (Dutch Group), 11-14 June (White Rock Primary School), 1-4 July (Cokethorpe School) & 25-27 September (Stover School)

Plans for Bar/Serving Area
This has been started. Plumbing for the sink has been installed. Quotes for the replacement of the single door with a double, wider access door are being sought.

Tidelands Hedge Replacement
Following correspondence with the owner of Tidelands it has been decided that a sum of £350 will be paid by her to cover the cost of the saplings. HF chair will deal with ordering and invoice directly through the suppliers.

Stoke School Booking
We have had a request from Stoke School to alter the annual fee for use of the field. We have replied with various options for them to consider.

Devon Open Studios
A group of local crafts people will be using the Pavilion and grounds to exhibit work and stage demonstrations for 10 days at the beginning of September this year. This is part of the County wide event which takes place every year and is very well run and

supported. We have agreed that they will pay for services (electricity etc) and make a donation at the end of the period based on a percentage of their joint takings.

Date of next Hearn Field meeting
Thursday 14th March at 7.30pm

060319.14 HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

14.1 It was noted that Combe Cellars Lane is not draining following the heavy rain though it doesn't smell of sewage now. The mud flap on the sea wall has been rehinged. Cllr Dewhirst was asked if he could to get an update from DCC on progress made on the drainage issue.

14.2 Members were advised that the Parish Council has received an annual footpaths grant from DCC's P3 scheme of £200.

14.3 Members received correspondence from David Halpin advising that the buddle holes on Gulmswell Lane need clearing again. It was agreed to ask Roger Duggleby whether he would be prepared to do this on behalf of the Parish Council. The work could be funded from the P3 grant. The suggestion made by Mr Halpin to put a bund across the top of the lane was declined as members did not want the water to run down the other side of the lane.

Cllr Humble advised that Peter French will repair the kissing gate and make a proper slope back down to the gate on the footpath from Coombe Cellars to Netherton as it is his responsibility.

Cllr Johnstone informed members that she had asked David Armstrong to trim the two bushes next to the village noticeboard. This has been paid for by Christine Chudley as a donation to the parish and a letter of thanks has been sent.

060319.15 CORRESPONDENCE

Members were informed that work to the trees will be undertaken on 4 & 5 April.

060319.16 MEMBERS' ITEMS FOR INFORMATION OR GENERAL DISCUSSION, FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR ITEMS REQUIRING URGENT ATTENTION

Members are reminded that they have not received the statutory notice of this business to be transacted and should therefore recognise that any decision made may be taken to be unlawful if challenged in the future

060319.17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the date of the next Parish Council meeting is 3 April 2019.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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Chairman

County Councillor Dewhirst's Parish Council Report - 6th March

Devon County Council's Leader, John Hart, has reacted angrily to the latest funding announcements from Government designed to provide support post-Brexit.

The Stronger Towns Fund only allocated £33m to the South West region and, having learnt yesterday that Eurotunnel has also been allocated £33m in an out-of-court settlement – deal or no deal – leaders are strongly expressing their concern to Government about the message this sends to 5.6 million residents and businesses in the South West.

Cllr Hart, Leader, Devon County Council and Chair, South West Councils, said: "Yet again the South West is the poor relation to the rest of the country. To only receive £33m – the same as Eurotunnel – from the Government pot of post-Brexit funding is bordering on insulting. That the Government can compare the needs of people and businesses in the South West with those of Eurotunnel beggar's belief. No consultation or communication took place with our councils prior to the funding announcement and we are bitterly disappointed that the needs of the people of the South West are being ignored.

"Despite this lack of support and recognition from Government, Devon County are doing all we can to prepare for Brexit. Work is taking place across Devon County Council and the region to prepare contingency plans for possible outcomes, to support communities and businesses. The clock is ticking on Brexit. We have consistently called on the Government to listen to the concerns of the people of the South West but so far there is little evidence that our voice has been heard, and time is running out. On behalf of the South West I call on the Government to listen, to engage and to respond."

Something that has concerned residents here have been the poor state of the pavements in Queen Street in Newton Abbot so I am pleased that overnight work will be carried out to resurface pavements. The scheme, which got underway on Monday, will be carried out on weekday evenings between 6pm and midnight. The footpaths will be open as usual during the day. The work will start at the western end of Queen Street, and it is expected to take three weeks to complete.

The sections being resurfaced are:

• East side of Courtenay Street from Victoria Place to junction with Queen Street.

• North side of Queen Street from Courtenay Street to junction with Albany Street

At the end of the Budget process at County Council it was agreed that overall, the county's spending on services will rise from £479.4 million to almost £494 million. It will be paid for by an increase of 3.99% in council tax. That's £53.10 extra on an average Band D council tax bill. It will take the annual Band D charge for Devon's services to £1,384.29. The rise encompasses a 2.99% increase for general services and an extra one per cent dedicated solely to adult social care.

Finally, at a time of Budgets I would like to report that under my Locality Budget I disbursed

£900.00 Abbotskerswell PTA IT Project

£300.00 Buckland Football Club Nets

£100.00 Abbotskerswell Cricket Club

£135.00 Chairs for Hearn Field Pavilion in Haccombe-with-Combe

£370.00 Combeinteignhead Village Hall revitalisation

£500.00 St Andrews PCC, Ipplepen – Clock repair

£1,000.00	Ipplepen Community Hub rebuilding fund for Architectural services
£1,000.00	Kerswella Care
£1,750.00	Kingskerswell Community Centre Windows
£200.00	Kingskerswell Action Group for planting materials
£1,000.00	Play Equipment at King George VI playing field Shaldon
£100.00	Shaldon Singers for programme printing
£200.00	WW1 Commemoration in Stokeinteignhead
£160.00	Xmas lights & electrical connection in Stokeinteignhead
£750.00	Teignmouth Pavillions
£750.00	CAB Catch Project
£911.00	Teign CVS - Tablets
£40.00	Crowdfunding - Lost Words in Devon