

# Haccombe-with-Combe Parish Council

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

**Present:** Councillors Humble (Chairman for this meeting), Alexander, Duggleby, Evans & Pattinson

**Also present:** County Cllr Dewhirst and District Cllr Haines. There were no members of the public present.

**Clerk:** Suzanna Hughes

### 061119.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Cllr Boarer
- Cllr Hussey
- Cllr Eaton
- Elizabeth Deane (Hearn Field Committee Chairman)
- PC Harvey
- County Cllr Hook

### 061119.02 POLICE REPORT

There were no reported crimes from 03/10/19 – 06/11/19.

### 061119.03 OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

### 061119.04 DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

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

District Cllr Haines reported that the Local Plan is starting to move forward.

### 061119.05 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.

### 061119.06 MINUTES

Members approved and signed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2 October 2019.

### 061119.07 DELEGATE REPORTS

None.

### 061119.08 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE

#### 8.1 Expenditure

Members approved the following payments:

Cheque no	Payee	Details	Amount
1078	J Hutchings	Hedge cutting – Hearn Field (Ref HF27)	£140
1079	Hutchings Groundworks	Hearn Field drive	£11,130
1080	J Ellis	First Aid box for HF	£44.40
DD	Opus Energy	Hearn Field electricity (Oct)	£28.84
SO	Clerk	Salary (Nov)	£268.82

## 8.2 Income

Members noted the income during the period 2 – 28 September:

Received	Received from	Details	Amount
30 Sept 2019	Reach Outdoors	HF camps	£1741.50
2 Oct 2019	Reach Outdoors	Various	£65
9 Oct 2019	Lloyds Bank	Interest	£0.51

## 8.3 Bank Balances at 2 November 2019

Current account	Savings account	Sea Wall account	Total
£6,282.98	£12,405.72	£3,825.10	£22,513.80

## 061119.09 PLANNING

### 9.1 New applications/appeals

9.1.1 19/01656/FUL – 1 Albert Cottages, Combeinteignhead  
Boundary wall works

Members agreed to object to this application on the grounds that the new wall changes the visual appearance of this part of the Conservation Area. What is there now is not what was there originally and this proposal does not address this.

Members also noted that the gate crosses a neighbours' legal right of way restricting access to their property. They further noted that a neighbour's line of sight is compromised by the works resulting in an unsafe access on to the highway.

### 9.2 Decisions

9.2.1 19/01980/AGR – Heywoods Farm, Netherton (Prior Notification)  
Livestock building

Members noted that TDC considered that this proposal does not constitute permitted development and therefore a planning application would need to be submitted

9.2.2 Appeal against TDC's decision to refuse planning application  
19/00253/FUL – Willow Springs, Land to north of Park House, Netherton  
- Agricultural building for use as workshop and storage in connection with the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land

Members noted that the appeal has been allowed planning permission is granted.

## 061119.10 HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

Members discussed the ongoing issues on Coombe Cellars Lane. It was noted that Coombe Cellars has not cleared its drainage channels which was exacerbating the flooding in the lane. Cllr Dewhirst offered to meet with DCC's Highways Engineer and show him the problem.

## 061119.11 CAR PARK

11.1 Cllr Evans presented designs for the new car park signage. After discussion, amendments were agreed. Members also discussed the dimensions of the signs. It was agreed that Cllr Evans would make the amendments proposed and circulate them along with suggested dimensions to members for approval following which the clerk will obtain quotes for presentation at the next meeting.

11.2 District Cllr Haines offered to seek advice from TDC's planning department regarding planning consent for the signage.

## **061119.12 HEARN FIELD**

The Hearn Field Committee Chairman sent a written report as follows:

### **Tarmac of drive**

This was completed on 4 November. It appears to be a very satisfactory piece of work and will make access to the pavilion much easier.

### **Tree at Tidelands**

The very tall fir tree that has been leaning into the car park for some time finally fell during the morning of 31 October. Thankfully nobody was in the car park at the time, neither were there any cars parked there. We had been concerned about the safety of this tree and had asked for expert advice/guidance from Teignbridge. We were assured that it presented no danger. This was clearly not the case and it is extremely fortunate that nobody was injured, or worse. The owner of Tidelands contacted their insurance company within an hour and they moved very quickly, using a crane, to clear the area. We were very grateful for such a quick response.

### **Bonfire Night**

At the time of writing plans are going forward very well. The Hearn Field/Bonfire Committee, led by Cllr Evans, have met regularly to plan. This will have just taken place by the time the PC looks at this report so a full report will follow at December meeting.

### **Donation**

We have received a donation of £166 from Graham Reed who trained and ran a half marathon on the field a few weeks ago. He has suggested that this money be put towards paying for simple fencing along the wildflower area.

### **Wildflower area**

The seeds have been sown but there is quite a lot of evidence of dogs running over the area. This may not support optimum growth of seedlings. (see fencing suggestion above)

### **Outdoor Theatre**

Illyria Theatre company have now committed to perform at the field this year. They have now managed to secure a Saturday slot for us. This will be 13th June. As mentioned before we have negotiated a split rate of 70/30 in their favour but with no upfront financial commitment required from us.

### **Hedge cutting**

This was arranged and carried out successfully.

*Cllr Humble asked members to remember Jenny Rainbow who had recently passed away and to acknowledge the contribution she had made to the parish and, in particular, Hearn Field.*

## **061119.13 CLIMATE CHANGE**

Members discussed how this Council can embrace climate change and it was agreed that it should look at ideas specific to this parish, e.g. tree planting. Cllr Alexander agreed to look into sourcing free trees for the Parish Council and residents. It was also agreed that a link could be created from the parish website to DCC and TDC pages.

## **061119.14 CORRESPONDENCE**

- 14.1 Information and resources from DCC re Devon Climate Emergency was noted.
- 14.2 DCC's Draft Order on the introduction of the Devon Permit Scheme for Road and Street Works was noted.
- 14.3 Members received and noted an email from PCSO Lisa Chubb re the antisocial behaviour at Hawthorn Rise which was raised by Cllr Eaton at the last meeting.

She advised that the police are patrolling the area more often and have been for a few weeks (subject to officer availability) and have spoken with numerous residents about this.

Two boys have recently been given ASB warning letters so are now on the ASB escalation process. Also we are working in partnership with Teign Housing so some of their tenants have also been spoken to about their children causing problems.

Unfortunately, they are unable to identify all the youths who are causing the issues, so they will continue to monitor when we are available to do so.

**061119.15 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*

None.

**061119.16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was confirmed that the date of the next Parish Council meeting is 6 December 2019.

The meeting closed at 9.12pm.

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Chairman

## County Councillor's Parish Council Report - November

Teignbridge are committed to improving the way we collect waste and increase the amount we recycle. To help us achieve this we are trialling a new recycling sack that has a Velcro fastening to keep the contents contained. The recycling sack will be used in place of the black recycling box for plastic and metals. This will address some concerns raised about plastic items blowing from boxes on windy collection days and from overflowing boxes.

We have considered many options and have asked other local authorities what works well for them to prevent this from happening. The sack we are trialling is based on a similar design that is currently being used in East Devon.

We will be asking approximately 900 households in selected streets to use the new sack for a 3 month period. Each household will be given a new recycling sack and an instructional leaflet week commencing 11 November. We will also be doorstepping whilst giving the sacks out to ask if residents are happy to provide feedback after the trial.

The trial will start on 18 November and will run until mid-February 2020. Towards the end of the trial, the households taking part will be asked to complete a short survey for their views on the trial. We will also monitor the effectiveness of the sack in reducing windblown recycling material. Results will help us assess whether the scheme will be considered for all households in the District.

Two Motions to Council were passed by the Teignbridge Executive last Thursday that hopefully will point a new direction for our cleaner and greener Council. The Council became an official supporter of the Fairtrade movement with the Chairman, Cllr Richard Keeling, taking responsibility for promoting Fairtrade in the District. At the same meeting the Executive decided to ban the sale of real fur in our markets. Many products have a small fur trim and people are often appalled to find that it is real fur rather than fake fur. This fits in nicely with the Council signing the "Real Deal" markets initiative. You will be pleased to know that none of these have any budgetary implications for the Council.

Government funding has been awarded to a joint project led by Teignbridge District Council that involves working with five other councils (Exeter, East Devon, Basildon, Brentwood and Sedgemoor led by Strata Solutions our Council's computer services supplier) to explore a new IT system that would deal more effectively with Council Tax, Business Rate and Benefits administration.

This is the area of local authority work that covers the collection of Council Tax, Business Rates and managing residents' claims for Housing Benefit and Council Tax Reduction.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government announced that it has awarded £71,000 to the project team from its Local Digital Fund for Discovery Projects. This means that Teignbridge and its partners can begin work on exploring the viability of creating a customer focused, configurable and cost-effective modern IT system for processing Revenue and Benefits data.

A major event aimed at local suppliers who want to find out how to work with the public services took place in Exeter last month. The Going Local 2019 event has been organised by the Devon and Cornwall Procurement Partnership, and was held at Exeter Corn Exchange.

Among those taking part were South West Police Procurement Department, Exeter City Council, Torbay Council, Devon County Council, Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service, and Teignbridge District Council.

This event provided suppliers with the opportunity to:

- Meet and get advice from a wide range of public sector procurement specialists
- Attend seminars by expert speakers from across a range of sectors and disciplines
- Learn how to access opportunities to bid for public sector contracts

- Understand how to use the Supplying the South West procurement portal
- Network with other local organisations

Devon County Council is calling on local councils to help plant trees on town and parish-owned land across the county. At its recent series of town and parish council highway conferences, the authority will be reminding people of the 3:2:1 tree planting rule being promoted by the Devon Ash Dieback Resilience Forum. This aims to plant at least three new trees for every large one lost, two for every medium sized one, and one for each small one.

An ambitious new vision for how public services will come together to better help and support children and their families in Devon is being launched this week.

The Devon Children and Young People's Plan brings together all the local agencies responsible for helping children, young people and their families including schools, councils, health services, the police, and community organisations in a clear shared vision of how they will work together to tackle the real challenges and big issues facing families, children and young people in the county today.

More than 22,000 children in Devon are living in poverty – that's one in seven. There are 19,200 children with a special educational need and more than 740 vulnerable children in council care. It's the first time all the organisations in Devon have come together in this way to spell out a common vision and detail how they can use their expertise to make the best use of scarce public resources.

Recycle Devon has launched a new online recipe book to help Devon residents waste less food and save up to £800 a year.

The free book "[Have Your Food And Eat It](#)" shares tips on buying, storing and preparing food and contains recipes for using up leftovers to help make food stretch further. In the UK, we throw away 6.7m tonnes of food a year which is a third of the food we buy. Nearly half of that is fresh fruit and vegetables, bread, dairy, rice and pasta.

Research also shows that we throw away more food than we think we do, with common reasons including buying too much in the first place, improper storage, not eating things in time and cooking too much, especially pasta and rice. If this sounds familiar, there are plenty of tips to help. With a few small changes, the average family of four could save as much as £800 a year!

The first half of the book looks at ways to save you money and time, from smarter shopping to meal prepping for the week ahead. Perfect for busy families and lifestyles! The second half provides a selection of recipes suited to using up ingredients in the fridge, or leftovers from previous meals. There are a range of recipes in the recipe book, which are suitable for all, whether you are a beginner, or a kitchen whizz looking for some inspiration.

If you've ever wondered about reheating rice or you're unsure about use by dates, "Have Your Food And Eat It" has all the answers. Packed with facts, tips and advice, it's the ideal go-to for making food go further and money last longer. <https://www.recycledevon.org/love-food-hate-waste/Have-your-food-and-eat-it-Recipe-Book.html?page=1>