

Draft minutes subject to approval

Burrator Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd August 2018 at Meavy Primary School, Meavy

Councillors present: Cllrs Palmer, Paskins, Scrivener, Landick, Aves, Cole, Fisk, Wills, Ellis & Moorhead.

Also present: Mr Williams, Miss K Jefferies & Mr P Davies for item 5b Planning Application. Mr N Reeves & Miss E Cannon, SWLT. Mrs I Parris, member of the public.

Absent: Cllrs Hopson, Powell, Glanville. Cllrs Moyse & Cloke, Borough Cllrs.

Cllr Palmer welcomed everyone and invited members of the public present to address the Council.

Mr Williams introduced himself as the applicant of the planning application on the agenda, item 5b and gave the history of his planning proposals with DNPA resulting in the application now being presented.

Mr Davies spoke as a neighbour of the planning application site under item 5b on the agenda. He expressed concerns of further loss of light to his property and of impact on their privacy from the proposed balcony.

Cllr Palmer questioned if the neighbours had made representations to DNPA and this was confirmed to now be in place. Cllr Palmer briefly summarised the Parish Council's role as a statutory consultee in the process and that the application would be discussed under Item 5b on the agenda.

Mr Reeves advised of his new regional role at SWLT with Miss Cannon, Mr Hancock & Mr Bailey now the team in place for Burrator. Mr Reeves gave update on the recent yellow lines, signage that is nearly ready for directing visitors to alternative parking, proposals to improve visibility on the entrance/exit to Quarry Car Park, forestry operations & the next Burrator Advisory Group meeting (22nd Aug).

Miss Cannon spoke on her role at SWLT and gave update on the group activities that are held. Miss Cannon advised the Parish Council of a proposed new footpath below the Discovery Centre that will allow disabled access to enjoy the new educational facilities that are forthcoming.

Cllr Scrivener asked Mr Reeves to expand on the forestry operations and what areas this would affect. The response was noted. Cllr Wills asked Miss Cannon how the various activities are advertised to which it was clarified by newsletter, Burrator Beacon, Facebook, Moor & Tavy Links & Dartmoor News.

Mrs Parris updated the Council on her role with Dartmoor Speed Watch and reported the recent data showing excessive speeds and death toll of moorland animals. Mrs Parris advised of her ongoing actions with petitions and letters to various authority members and advised that the aim is to call a public meeting with all agencies and national press. Mrs Parris also reported on her actions to resolve the bracken growth

on Knowle Down. Mrs Parris requested that the Parish Council support her in all her actions. Cllrs asked various questions of Mrs Parris and Cllr Palmer thanked all for their reports to the Council and opened the meeting at 8.05pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs Hopson, Powell, Glanville. Cllrs Moyses & Cloke, Borough Cllrs.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest. Otherwise as recorded in the register.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2018.

The minutes were signed as an accurate record by Cllr Palmer. Proposed Cllr Scrivener Seconded Cllr Paskins.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of 28th June 2018.

Item 8 It was noted that a response had been circulated at the beginning of the meeting. Item 7 It was noted that the stove has been ordered as agreed by the Royal Oak Inn Committee.

5. Planning Committee.

a) Minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2018.

The minutes were noted.

b) 0355/18 Proposed erection of first floor extension and alterations to north and south elevations of dwelling, 15 Merrivale View Road, Dousland

Cllr Moorhead advised of her site visit carried out with Cllr Ellis. Cllr Moorhead advised that a similar extension is already in place in the same road and that the balcony would be screened at either end with opaque glazing. Cllr Moorhead felt that the property would be improved by the proposals. Cllr Ellis spoke to acknowledge the concerns raised by the neighbours but also felt that the opaque glazing would allow some light through. Cllr Scrivener spoke to reassure those present that DNPA have strict views and policies on matters of loss of light and privacy and recommended that in view of comments raised, the Parish Council submit a neutral view as their comment. This was then proposed by Cllr Scrivener, seconded by Cllr Moorhead and agreed by all present.

6. Finance and General Purposes Committee.

a) Bills for payment. The bills were authorised. Proposed Cllr Cole seconded Cllr Scrivener.

b) Financial Statements. The statement was noted.

c) Communities Together Fund. The fund was discussed and it was agreed to submit an application for funding of four defibrillators as quoted by St John's Ambulance. Proposed Cllr Wills seconded Cllr Moorhead. The date of the meeting was discussed with a view to a Councillor attending. It was agreed that the Clerk would discuss the application with Cllr Moyses.

7. The Royal Oak Inn Committee.

a) Minutes of the meeting held 12th July 2018. The minutes were noted. The Clerk advised that the stove would be installed on 2nd October 2018.

8. Burrator Events.

Cllr Scrivener referred to the terms and conditions forwarded by SWLT and advised that he felt reassured that events were taken very seriously. Cllrs discussed the response from Richard Pryce, DCC Highways and it was agreed

to wait for the further correspondence that he refers to. It was noted however in the initial response that the diverted routes did not necessarily suit the classes of vehicle and this would be considered as a future response. It was agreed to review the response and any further information at the next meeting.

9. Parish Plan Steering Group.

Cllr Paskins advised there was no current update and that matters would progress again into the Autumn.

10. Burrator Beacon.

It was noted that deadline for articles is 7th August.

11. Reports from outside bodies.

a) Borough Councillors Report. No report.

b) Any other reports. Cllr Aves gave verbal feedback on the July Southern Link Committee Meeting.

12. Public Relations.

No reports.

13. Parish Property.

The Clerk advised that the railings around the War Memorial would need to be temporarily removed for the inscription matter to be progressed. It was agreed to ask Mr Gibbons to remove and store the railings until the works are complete.

Meavy Oak was briefly discussed and the Clerk advised she would chase up the surveyor.

14. Highway Matters.

After discussion, the Clerk was instructed to report to Highways:

Overgrown hedging on B3212 narrow before Dousland from Princetown

The missing sign, again, at Lovation from Callisham Hill

The full cattlegrids at Eggworthy & Criptor

The overgrown gorse encroaching the highway at Knowle Down

Cllr Scrivener advised that he has following Mrs Parris's various endeavours via the media and proposed that the Parish Council support and back attempts to make change. This was seconded by Cllr Ellis and agreed by all.

Cllr Palmer requested all Councillors to consider Mrs Parris's reports for further discussion at the next meeting.

15. General Data Protection Regulation.

This was noted to have been dealt with at the last meeting and no longer required on the agenda.

16. Correspondence.

The Clerk confirmed that correspondence had been dealt with through the meeting.

17. Urgent additional business, by leave of the Chair.

None.