

DITTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Incorporating the Hamlet of Capton and the Manors of Bozomzeal and Coombe

Draft Minutes of the monthly meeting of Dittisham Parish Council held in Dittisham Village Hall on Wednesday 7 March 2018 at 7.00p.m

Present: Cllrs Tucker, Faulkner, Bond, Anderson, Green, Nightingale, and Quinn were present, as were A Thom (Clerk) and seven members of the public. Devon County Councillor Hawkins arrived during Item 5.2 due to conflicting prior attendance at another Parish Council meeting.

36/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Munro.

37/18 Declaration of interests

Cllr Anderson declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 7.1.

38/18 Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on 7 February 2018 and 30 January 2018.

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes.

39/18 Public issues

39/18.1 Increase in fly-tipping at Foxenhole Layby

This problem has been reported to SHDC. Cllr Tucker advised that SHDC takes this issue seriously and will prosecute offenders. Please take a photo of offenders if possible. The Clerk will place SHDC's fly-tipping notice on the bottle bank currently at Foxenhole and has requested SHDC put the notice on all its bottle banks.

39/18.2 Issues with parking on Church end of Riverside Road

Cllrs who met with DCC Cllr Hawkins in February suggested painting double yellow lines across the worst affected driveways. DCC has responded that this is not possible. Cllrs are concerned that the proposed new double yellow lines on Riverside Road outside the eastern entrance to Dittisham Court, to improve vehicle turning, will exacerbate the problem with parking.

40/18 Community Reports

40/18.1 South Hams District Council Councillor

Cllr Tucker reported that SHDC has set its 2018/19 budget. SHDC plans to build houses for the younger and older generations: where the identified need is greatest. SHDC is investing in providing workplaces – it has seven units at Admirals Court in Dartmouth and twelve in Totnes. The units are flexible and have a high occupancy rate. SHDC is supporting community led housing. It will help with the legal process and the purchase of the land. Its involvement is expected to speed the process up and achieve progress to planning application stage within eighteen months from the start of a project. From 1 April 2018 SHDC will not accept cheque payments at Follaton House. Cash and cheque payments to SHDC can still be made at local shop paypoints and at Post Offices. There is a StreetScene link at the bottom of the SHDC website home page. SHDC staff worked from home during the snow. No other Devon Council had more than core emergency staff operational.

40/18.2 Devon County Councillor

DCC's budget will raise its tax demand by 4.5 %. It will receive £6.5 million pounds from central Government for pothole and drain repairs. Cllr Hawkins will look into stopping the request for new double yellow lines proposed for the Riverside Road outside the eastern side of the entrance to Dittisham Court. Cllr Hawkins' Locality Fund budget will be increase to £1,000 in 2018/19. Central Government has agreed to provide £2.5 million to reinstate the Slapton Line. There is a current planning approval for the Slapton Line roadworks, rolled over by Officers since 2003, and land owners have agreed to the works.

DPC minutes its thanks to DCC for work done to keep roads open during the snow. The Clerk will write to DCC.

41/18 Planning

41/18.1 Communications in relation to planning/tree applications.

- 4081/17/TCA Low Dolphin Lower Street Dittisham TQ6 0HY. T1: Magnolia - Removal to allow more space for play. Tree Works Allowed.

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- 1217/17/VAR Hill Cottage Road From Higher Street To Bosomzeal Cross Dittisham Devon TQ6 0HR. Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) following grant of planning consent 18/2471/14/F. Conditional Approval
- 0205/18/TCA Darling, Manor Street, Dittisham, TQ6 0EX. T1: Sycamore – Fell, excessive shading; T2: Sycamore – Fell, close to garden accommodation; T3: Sycamore – Fell, close to garden accommodation, all three selfseeded, low amenity value, T4: Ash – Fell. Grant Consent.

41/18.2 New planning/tree applications.

- 0171/18/FUL Land at SX 862 550 Surrounding Sewage Treatment Plant Riverside Road. Replacement of an existing post and rail boundary fence with a new close-board, feather edge fence. It was **resolved** to grant Cllr Anderson a dispensation to describe the application before leaving the room. It was **resolved** to SUPPORT the application, Cllr Tucker abstained.
- 0524/18/POD DB Skips, Laphorn Cross, Dittisham. Notification for Prior Approval for change of use from premises in light industrial use (Class B1(c)) and any land within its curtilage to dwellinghouses (Class C3). No comment.
- 3385/17/HHO Chipton Barton, Old Mill Lane, Dittisham, Devon, TQ6 0HW. 'READVERTISEMENT (Revised Plans Received) Householder application for proposed extension to the barn and associated landscaping and terrace area'. SUPPORT. (**resolution** proposed Cllr Faulkner, seconded Cllr Nightingale, Cllr Tucker abstained).
- 0541/18/HHO The Stables, Chipton Barton Road To Chipton Barton Farm Dittisham TQ6 0HW. Householder application for erection of new car port adjacent to existing stone sheds. SUPPORT. (**resolution** proposed Cllr Faulkner, seconded Cllr Nightingale, Cllr Tucker abstained).
- 0721/18/LBC Quicks Cottage, Lower Street, Dittisham, Devon, TQ6 0HY. Listed building consent for conversion, extension, and alterations to existing cottage including existing outhouse store area. SUPPORT. (resolution proposed Cllr Anderson, seconded Cllr Green, Cllr Tucker abstained)
- Application to vary the premises licence for The Laughing Monk Restaurant, Totnes Road, Strete, Dartmouth, TQ6 0RN. The application is to:
Include the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises (currently only consumption on the premises permitted).
Amend the layout of the premises to include a new deli area and outside seating.
Remove the embedded conditions under Annex 2 of the premises licence (including alcohol only being sold ancillary to a meal) and replace with conditions addressing the four licensing objectives. SUPPORT. (**resolution** proposed Cllr Green, seconded Cllr Nightingale, Cllr Tucker abstained)
- 0396/18/TCA Blackberry Cottage, The Lane, Dittisham, TQ6 0HB. T1: Ash - re-pollard back to original cut at approx 2.5 metres from ground level as part of good hedgerow management. SUPPORT. (**resolution** proposed Cllr Faulkner, seconded Cllr Green, Cllr Tucker abstained)

41/18.3 White Rock Briefing Meeting Invitation

Re: Planning application P/2017/1133 (Inglewood - Land south of White Rock, adj. Brixham Road, Paignton) at 4.30 pm on Wednesday 28th March 2018 in Torquay Town Hall.

It was agreed that DPC would support the proposal for the Parishes to be represented by one of two representatives with extensive planning experience.

The application will be heard the following Tuesday 3 April 2018.

42/18 DCC Consultation

Review of traffic sensitivity classification of the highway – for roadworks. Closes 31 March 2018.

No comment by DPC.

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43/18 Devon Air Ambulance Night Landing Site

Cllr Faulkner attended a site meeting with DAAT. A site near the toilet block and screened by the trees is proposed for the lighting column. The next steps are to consult with the community, to obtain SHDC permission to access a power supply from the toilet block, to obtain planning permission and permission from the donors for the lighting column, and to raise funding. The expected cost to the community is approximately three thousand pounds.

It was agreed that a quote would be obtained from MAT Electrics for the lighting column, DAAT recommended provider, that the Clerk could submit a planning application for the lighting column which will have a fee of £97.50, and that community fund raising could begin.

44/18 Parish Weed Control

Cllr Tucker explained that two sprays per year is not working to control weeds in the Village. Suggestions to date include a third spray and using a mechanical sweeper with a cutter. The Clerk will circulate the time and date of a meeting to be held with SHDC later in the month to agree the work required. Avoidance of the use of heavy chemicals if possible was suggested.

45/18 Ice-Cream Bike Business on The Ham

The request for permission to operate the business again in 2018 was approved on the same terms as in 2017.

46/18 Health Charity

Lester-Aldridge has responded addressing the concerns raised about the engagement letter. It was agreed that they would be asked for advice as previously resolved. A model which involves the whole Parish is preferred.

47/18 Financial Matters

47/18.1 Update on Current Financial Position

The Report which showed a 2017/18 balance of £-531.81, a total balance of £59,700.88, and an unearmarked balance of £15,766.30, was approved.

47/18.2 Payments Made, Due and Received

To following payments were approved:

- Tozers & Co Printers, Dittisham Sailing Club 2018 permits, £204.70
- SHDC TAP funded weedspraying 2017/18 £102 incl VAT
- CE20, Expenses incl. February phone bill, £79.84

The following payments were noted:

- Salary & pension February 2018, £709.79
- HMRC PAYE February 2018, £27.60
- SWW, Quay water usage, £34.00
- R Baker, tree survey, £186.20

The Clerk was instructed to write to Metric stating DPC's dissatisfaction with the unreliable performance of the machine, before the end of the warranty period ends in April 2018.

The shared 2018/19 TAP grants of £635.05 for drain clearance, £399.40 for the supplementary lengthsman service, and £311.53 for village weed spraying, as well as £1,598.42 toward The Ham project were noted.

47/18.3 General Data Protection Regulations

The Clerk summarised the new GDPR requirements which commence 25 May 2018. A project will be need to carried out to ensure compliance including an audit of data held, to establish new consent forms, and to locate a Data Protection Officer.

48/18 Annual Parish Meeting

The APM will take place on 16 May 2018 at 7:00 pm. Subjects will be The Ham playground project, car parks, Air Ambulance night landing site, and communications.

49/18 Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on 4 April 2018 at 7:00 pm.