

**MINUTES**

of

**SHAUGH PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL****Meeting****Held on****Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021****at Shaugh Prior Recreation Hall**

Present: Vice Chairman Cllr Stone  
Cllrs Hitchins, Pearce, Mrs Burkill, Mrs Proctor and Mrs Tyler

District Cllr Spencer

2 Members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs Wassell, Friendship and Taffurelli  
County Cllr Hart, Cllr Smerdon  
Sgt Ryan Canning

Minute Number		Action
83/21	<p><b>Open Forum</b></p> <p>In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair Cllr Stone opened the meeting and welcomed Peter Larwood and Guy Mayhew from Imerys to give an update and answer any questions Cllrs or residents may have regarding the recent grant of planning permission at Lee Moor for the importing of waste material for reclamation works.</p> <p>Peter confirmed that the grant of permission would result in there being no changes to what currently occurs on the site in terms of traffic, noise, dust and odour. To date there has been only 1 lorry load of waste material delivered to site which occurred in March 2020. The material will include bio solids from waste treatment works and as such there will be a robust management plan regarding odour. When asked why this couldn't be done in Winter months, Peter responded by saying it had to be undertaken in drier conditions.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Tyler suggested a site visit would be helpful once operations had commenced and this was agreed by Imerys although at present there was no agreed start date (this is dependent on there being a suitable waste stream which would not include any animal waste). It was agreed by all that communication was vital and therefore residents and Cllrs should be informed on when operations will commence.</p> <p>A local resident enquired if the permission will be extended by a</p>	

	<p>further 5 years once the current permission expires? Peter confirmed there was no intention to apply for a further 5 years but this couldn't be ruled out. The Vice Chair thanked both Peter and Max for attending the meeting.</p> <p>Local resident Mr Tim Clewer expressed his disappointment at the lack of any progress on the part of DCC Highways in addressing the on-going anti-social issues being experienced along the B3417 (Lee Moor Road) despite having raised concerns for over 3 months. He expressed his concern at the lack of Cllr Hart's attendance at PC meetings over the past 9 months and proposed that this should be raised by the PC with Cllr Hart. After some discussion it was agreed by Cllrs that the Clerk should write to Cllr Hart expressing their disappointment at his lack of attendance at PC meetings when such matters were being discussed which required his input and would request his attendance at the September PC meeting.</p> <p>Mr Clewer also expressed concerns at the contradictory advice being provided by Devon and Cornwall Police in relation to community speedwatch (which couldn't be considered on the B3417 due to it being a 60 mph road) and confirmed he had contacted his local MP on this issue. In view of much of the road falling within the Parish of Sparkwell, it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Sparkwell PC to obtain the views of their Cllrs on the issues relating to the use of the B3417.</p> <p>John Small wished to raise a concern regarding potholes in Lee Moor village. The Clerk agreed to raise these with DCC Highways.</p> <p>Finally, Julia Sanders made reference to the request for funding for the Fire Fogger and confirmed that Aggregate Industries had kindly looked into providing the necessary funding.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
84/21	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Cllr Hitchins highlighted his on-going declaration regarding Minute 90/21 (Planning) and in particular any discussion on the Woolwell application. It was agreed that Cllr Hitchins would take no part in any discussion on this matter.</p>	
85/21	<p><b>Police Report</b></p> <p>Whilst not so much of a report, Sgt Ryan Canning provided an email to the Clerk confirming that a tasking had been created requiring officers to regularly attend the B3417 in order to tackle the anti-social behaviour issues regarding the use of the road. He has also asked special constable to attend and more regular speed enforcement. He also confirmed that enforcement wasn't necessarily the cure and that DCC Highways need to come up with a long term solution to the problems.</p>	
86/21	<p><b>County and District Councillor Reports</b></p> <p>In Cllr Hart's absence there was no County Cllr Report.</p>	

87/21	<p>Although they were expected to attend, Cllr Spencer mentioned that he had heard from FCC prior to the PC meeting confirming that they were unable to attend. Considering all of the on-going issues regarding waste collection in the Parish this was extremely disappointing.</p> <p>The Vice Chair temporarily lifted Standing Orders to allow John Small to raise concerns regarding waste collections in Lee Moor. Cllr Spencer confirmed that Shaugh Prior had been subject to the worst of the new service provided by FCC in respect of missed collections.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Burkill mentioned that she had been on the phone daily to SHDC and was trying to highlight all missed responses through the Parish to FCC, with some houses having not received a collection for 10 weeks It was also highlighted that anyone who requires an assisted waste collection should let SHDC know. This can be done either on the SHDC website or by calling them in the first instance. It was hoped that someone from FCC would be available to attend the September PC meeting if problems were still being experienced. Cllr Spencer continued to express the need to report all missed collections on the Report-It section on the SHDC website.</p> <p>There was no further update on the roll-out of superfast broadband and Barrie confirmed he was hoping to get a further response from DCC shortly.</p> <p>In addition to his Locality Fund, Barrie now has a further pot of funding available to support local climate change and biodiversity initiatives. It was agreed that the Clerk would email Barrie in respect of the request for a grant relating to the replacement bus shelter works at Wotter.</p> <p>Test and Trace Isolation Payments are still available with details on the SHDC website.</p> <p><b>DPNA Report</b></p> <p>In his absence Cllr Smerdon provided a report to the Clerk.</p> <p>On 24 June 2021 the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs issued a Written Ministerial Statement on the Landscapes Review. Whilst the recommendation of more funding for space for nature and nature recovery measures was welcomed, concerns still remain regarding the possible creation of a new National Landscape Service. An on-line petition has been set-up regarding such. The Secretary of State has indicated that there will be a formal consultation on the Government's response and that he anticipates this will be summer 2021. We hope that the formal Government response to the Landscapes Review will set out a compelling vision for our National Parks and AONBs and be focused on the practical tools and resources needed to make a difference.</p> <p>Farming in Protected Landscapes – Following the publication of the document in November 2020, applications can now be made for grant funding can now be submitted by farmers for funding measures which help make the transition to environmental land management. DNPA will have a total of £600k to allocate. Full details can be found on the DNPA website:</p> <p><a href="https://www.dartmoor.gov.uk/living-and-working/farming/farming-in-protected-landscapes">https://www.dartmoor.gov.uk/living-and-working/farming/farming-in-protected-landscapes</a></p>	Clerk
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88/21	<p>As stated previously, the Moor Otters Project is back in 2021 after being delayed in 2020 due to Covid-19. It is hoped that the project will increase footfall in the National Park and raise £60k for Donate for Dartmoor.</p> <p>October 2021 is the 70th anniversary of Dartmoor's designation as a National Park - a major milestone and one we are celebrating in a number of ways. The main one which runs for the year is our Time for Nature challenge. This challenge is about making time for wildlife in our busy lives; enjoying the moments that lift our spirits and making new discoveries about the world around us.</p> <p>The 2021 Tour of Britain will again visit Dartmoor on the 6<sup>th</sup> September. After a tour of the South Hams, the peloton will leave Ivybridge and head north to Tavistock and then east through Princetown, Moretonhampstead and onto the finish in Exeter. Hope the weather will be good!</p> <p><b>Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021</b></p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Hitchins and seconded by Cllr Mrs Proctor that the draft minutes of the June PC meeting were an accurate reflection of the meeting and this was agreed by all Cllrs.</p>	
89/21	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p>	
8/21(a)	<p><b>Highway Matters – Speeding Issues on the B3417 Lee Moor Road</b></p> <p>It was noted that the majority of the highway issues regarding speeding traffic on the B3417 and associated anti-social behaviour issues had been raised and discussed in detail during the Open Forum.</p> <p>The Clerk agreed to raise the issue of the reported potholes in Lee Moor which had been raised during the Open Forum along with the fallen direction post at Brag Lane.</p> <p>Further concerns regarding HGV's taking the back lanes from Bickleigh to Lee Moor (rather than the prescribed HGV route from Plympton) were discussed by Cllrs. It was agreed that the Clerk would raise this with Cllr Hart in conjunction with Bickleigh PC as the start of the route falls within their Parish.</p> <p>It was highlighted by Cllrs that there had been a number of incidents of flooding following the recent heavy rainfall. The Clerk requested that Cllrs email him with details of specific locations which could be shared with the Parish Lengthsman.</p>	Clerk
8/21(b)	<p><b>Newnham Solar Fund</b></p> <p>Cllr Mrs Burkill stated that the meeting that was due to take place on the following day had been cancelled and having approved a number of recent applications, there was very little funding left this year. It was also mentioned that the current scheme administrator had handed in her resignation and that the next meeting was due to take place in September 2021.</p>	

8/21(c)	<p><b>Shaugh Prior Community Fund</b></p>	
	<p>No grant applications had been received this month.</p>	
10/21	<p><b>Wind Turbines on Lee Moor</b></p>	
	<p>The Clerk reported that there wasn't too much further to report on in respect of this item. The on-line meeting was now available to view on-line and that the Devon Energy Collective CIC were seeking funding that would allow them to undertake wider consultation on the proposals. In addition, the DEC were also looking to establish a Steering Group consisting of local residents and representatives from the PC. Cllrs were of the opinion that it should not be the PC who determines who sits on the Steering Group (particularly if the number of places is restricted to 10). That is a matter for the DEC to decide and ultimately it is up to Parishioners whether or not the scheme goes ahead or not. It was noted that the turbines impact upon people in different ways and fore it was important that everyone has the chance to have their say on the proposals. It was also noted that the scheme would require the adoption of a Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	
44/21	<p><b>Tribute to Cllr Malcolm Norman</b></p>	
	<p>In the absence of the Chair, there was no further update on this matter.</p>	
90/21	<p><b>Planning</b></p>	
	<p>The Clerk referred to receipt of the following planning applications:</p> <p>1911/21/FUL – Retention of two mobile homes providing accommodation for farm workers at Higher Bughill Farm Bungalow.</p> <p>0362/21 – Replacement windows and front door at Tor View Barn, Bowling Green Road, Shaugh Prior.</p> <p>In respect of the application at Higher Bughill Farm, Cllrs were of the opinion that a site visit was warranted which would be undertaken by Cllrs Mrs Burkill, Hitchins and Pearce.</p> <p>In relation to the application at Tor View Barn it was the view of Cllrs that no site visit was necessary and the recommendation of the PC would be one of 'No Objections'.</p>	
91/21	<p><b>Chairman's Business</b></p>	
	<p>There was no business to report.</p>	
92/21	<p><b>Broadband Update</b></p>	
	<p>This matter was raised and discussed under Minute 86/21. At present there were no further updates and that District Cllr Spencer was waiting to hear back from DCC (Cllr Hart) and this information would be fed back to the Clerk.</p>	

93/21	<p><b>Correspondence – Feedback from I&amp;DALC</b></p> <p>The Clerk made reference to the following correspondence received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two letters (received by email) from Mr John McIver relating to questions about the new SHDC Waste Collection service. Having read out the letters to Cllrs, they were in agreement that the information Mr McIver required would be best answered by him submitting a FOI request direct to SHDC. It was agreed that the Clerk would respond to Mr McIver on this basis.</li> <li>• Letter from the Friends of Shaugh Prior School thanking the PC for the £200 grant for the new Stay and Play Group.</li> <li>• Email enquiry received through the website regarding the possibility of siting a mobile food catering trailer on PC land. The Clerk responded to the enquiry highlighting that the PC owned no land appropriate for such purposes and that any permissions would have to be granted by local land owners.</li> </ul>	Clerk
94/21	<p><b>Shaugh Prior Community Climate Change Emergency Group</b></p> <p>It was highlighted by Cllr Mrs Burkill that the current chair of the group Sean Leeke was intending on standing-down and therefore a new Chair would have to be found. Cllr Pearce confirmed that she would like to join the group. It was suggested that a meeting should now be arranged in view of Covid restrictions having been lifted and that the DEC (Lee Moor Wind Turbines) should be invited.</p> <p>It was also discussed between Cllrs whether or not the PC should take on the running of this group? It was agreed that this should be considered at the Sept PC meeting.</p>	
95/21	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>The Clerk confirmed that on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 there was £15,025.15 in the Treasurers Account.</p> <p>In respect of the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebration in 2022, it was suggested that the budget for 2022/23 should include a sum for the planting of some trees, with further potential funding available from Cllr Spencer. It was agreed to include this on the agenda for the September PC meeting.</p>	
96/21	<p><b>Payments and Receipts</b></p> <p>It was agreed to make the following payments:</p> <p>£10.00 direct debit payment to EDF Energy (electricity for Wotter defib)</p> <p>£18.00 cheque to DALC (Cllr Pearce attendance on Being a Good Cllr Couse – Part 3)</p> <p>£180.0 cheque to IAC Audit and Consultancy Ltd (Internal Audit 2020/1)</p> <p>£100.00 cheque to Scott Smy (second annual Clerks expenses payment)</p>	

<p>97/21</p> <p>98/21</p>	<p>£36.00 cheque to WesternWeb Ltd (renewal of webspace for emails)                  £952.26 cheque to Scott Smy (3 months Clerks wages including extra hours worked for annual return – 9.5 hours)                  £31.46 cheque to Scott Smy (reimbursement for purchase of ESET internet security)                  £238.0 cheque to HMRC (PAYE for 3 months Clerks wages)</p> <p>Receipts</p> <p>None</p> <p><b>Works and Maintenance</b></p> <p>The Clerk made reference to some fencing works requiring attention around the play area at Lee Moor. It was agreed to ask John Widdicombe to look into carrying out the necessary repairs.</p> <p><b>Date and Place of Next Parish Council Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting of Shaugh Prior Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at Shaugh Prior Recreation Hall starting at 7.30pm. Please ensure that social distancing and Covid-19 restrictions are adhered to.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The meeting closed at 9.05pm</p> <p>Signed:.....Chairman</p> <p>Date: .....</p>	
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