

**DENBURY & TORBRYAN PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007 at Denbury Village Hall**  
**Meeting Commenced 7.30pm**

**Present** – Cllr D Wilson (Chairman), Cllr B Clatworthy (Vice-Chairman), Cllr S Bryan, Cllr T Brownhill, Cllr A Deacon, C Cllr P Cook, D Cllr Mrs M Colclough.

**In Attendance** – 2 Members of the Public & PCSO – John Handley

**Apologies for Absence** – None received.

1) **Public Time (Limited to 15 Minutes).**

- a) Mrs P Howe – Noticed a piece in the Mid Devon advertiser regards the Denbury Diesels Site. Chairman – Cllr D Wilson confirmed that this matter would be discussed later in the meeting and that a new planning application had been lodged with TDC.
- b) PCSO John Handley was in attendance – any issues in Denbury which need to be addressed – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson - Parking – as a small Village with no car parking facilities this can be a problem. Denbury Garage Site – when the fence gets blown down in high winds youngsters can get into the site and cause problems – WPC Jo Miles has attended the Village to deal with this in the past. Cllr T Brownhill – Have you now got transport – PCSO Handley confirmed that transport was now available and from January 2008 there will be a new neighbourhood beat manager for the area. Any problems in the Village he will be out as promptly as possible. Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy mentioned the inconsiderate parking which occurs outside the Village Hall whenever there is a function.

2) **Minutes** – The minutes of the Meeting held Monday 5th November 2007 have been distributed and read. They were proposed by Cllr T Brownhill and seconded by Vice-Chairman - Cllr B Clatworthy and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr D Wilson.

3) **Planning Applications Received from TDC.**

- a) Application no 07/04781/TPO – Walnut Tree @ Southfields, South Street, Denbury. The Parish Council recommend refusal of this application. The TPO was put on this tree to save it and due to planning permission which was granted it now has to be lopped. It was the wrong decision made by the planners that allowed the development to go ahead so near to the tree in the first place. Proposed by Cllr S Bryan and seconded by Cllr T Brownhill.

**Decisions received from TDC**

- a) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 07/03947/FUL – Mrs J I Cripps – Land at Kellinch Farm, Bickington – Proposed agricultural implement/stock building.
- b) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 07/03972/FUL – Mr & Mrs J Marles – Ambrook Meadow, Poole Cross, Torbryan – New slate hanging on south elevation of stone barn.

4) **Matters Arising**

- a) Denbury Garage Site – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson confirmed that a new set of plans have been submitted these will be on the Agenda for the next PC meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2008. However it does seem that the ridge height has still not been addressed.
- b) Paintballing – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson reported that TDC have advised that the maximum size of the sign is .3 of a square metre and 4.5 metres off the ground. Cllrs will keep a check on this once another sign appears.
- c) Parish Councillors Vacancies – Nothing further to report.
- d) Wheelie Bin next to Bottle Bank in South Street (disappearance) – Steve Matson at TDC confirmed that this matter has been passed onto Len Mcrae at TDC and that a new bin will be delivered.
- e) Village Green Stones – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson confirmed that he has spoken to Glendinnings and they have agreed to hold the price the same as last time provided the stones are ordered before the end of the month. Cost will be approx £140 which would give an amount of £60 left over to hire a digger and get them all set in properly.
- f) New Village Hall Land – Trustees – Windeatts Solicitors at Totnes letter to confirm that Cllrs Bryan, Wilson, Clatworthy and Brownhill to be on the new title.
- g) Visit by Chief Executive TDC – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008 – The Clerk to confirm 7.30pm at Denbury Village Hall.
- h) Rowan Barn – The Appeal has been allowed.
- i) Dog Fouling – Shute Lane – A piece has been placed in the Denbury Diary and there is a booklet on Dog Fouling and the law which has been placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal. The Clerk confirmed that she had spoken to the Dog Warden on this matter and there is nothing he can do to prosecute as the Village has no speed limit. He can visit dog owners if they can be identified and speak to them but nothing further.

5) **Correspondence.**

- a) Letter from Denbury New Parish Hall Committee – Allotments in Denbury – This confirmed that they wish the Parish Council to look into an alternative site as there are too many people interested for the Parish Hall site which is not really suitable.
- b) Letters from Denbury Parishioners regards the provision of Allotments – The Parish Council now has 9 letters of support for the Allotments. They will now approach the owners of the old allotment field in Denbury to see if they would be open to perhaps letting the field for such purpose again.
- c) Copy letter from Doug Pratt – TDC – Tree Works at Denbury Manor – These works have now been completed.
- d) Letter from TDC – Audit report and running of May 2007 elections – Placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- e) Devon and Cornwall Police – Information for Parish Magazines – To be passed onto the Denbury Diary.
- f) The Planning Inspectorate – Review of Additional Pitch Requirements for Gypsies and Travellers in the South West – Placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- g) Letter from Mr Paul Thompson – Bench on the Village Green – This to be in memory of Mrs Joan Edwards. Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy suggested that a seat be purchased for down at the Playing Fields, where it is needed for parents to sit and watch the children playing football and its where Joan used to walk her dog.
- h) DCC – Minerals Core Strategy – Comments by 18<sup>th</sup> January 2008 – Placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal – C Cllr P Cook was in attendance and commented regards this.
- i) Copy letter to DCC from TDC – Re: Forever Trees Nursery – This was regards the new boundary wall which has been built on the Highway – No reply has been received from DCC – The Clerk to chase.
- j) Letter from Mrs P Howe – Denbury Green – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson confirmed that he had spoken to Trevor about the Green and the piles of Grass Cuttings - it will be cleared shortly.

**Matters not requiring discussion placed in the envelope to be circulated (3 Envelopes).**

**6) Main Agenda.**

- a) Report from County Cllr P L Cook – Unitary Status – Exeter - a decision to be announced shortly. DCC has lobbied the government regards the bid and approval is by no means certain at present. DCC Capital drainage programme – £1.5 million to tackle highways drainage and flooding which is additional to the annual budget, this will be allocated to flooding schemes which are at risk of flooding to residential and business premises. Some sites have already been identified by DCC and they will be prioritised. Post Office Closures – about 50 for Greater Devon – and probably 4 or 5 of these within Teignbridge. A consultation committee will visit the County in Feb 08 and a closure programme to be published in April 2008. One stipulation is that 99% of the population should have a Post Office no more than 3 miles away. This should help Denbury's case. New Parish Hall Funding – I have been pleased to provide £5,000 towards the cost of the hard standing area for car parking/setting down school children etc, through the County Councils Teignbridge Community Locality Budget.
- b) 1) Report from District Cllr Mrs M Colclough – Reported on the TDC waste recycling figures which are among the best in the Country. New refuse vehicles have now been ordered, they are low emission vehicles and TDC will be the first Council to use them. Concessionary Fares – new national scheme starts on 1<sup>st</sup> April 08 – eligible residents will be able to travel anywhere in the country and new passes will be issued, letters are now being sent out to TDC residents. The new scheme will be promoted early in the new year. Visitors to TDC will be eligible to use this scheme so the cost for the Council will be unknown at present. Indoor Bowls centre sold to Newton Abbot racecourse.  
2) Report from District Cllr D Smith - Not in attendance.
- c) Playing Field Management Committee Report – Chairman - Cllr B Clatworthy – No meeting has been held – The Flooding Soakaway scheme has been confirmed by DCC to be done in the New Year 2008. Chairman – Cllr D Wilson – The play area grass has been cut to a fashion. The seat was covered in grass cuttings from the strimmer and it was not a very good job.
- d) Village Hall Committee – No meeting had been held.
- e) New Village Hall Steering Group – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson reported that a meeting is to be held this Wednesday with Carol Walter of TDC Planning regards the siting of the multicourt.
- f) Parish Plan – Nothing further to report – the Clerk will contact Mike Atkinson regards any letters he wishes her to send.
- g) Teignbridge Association of Local Councils – Cllr T Brownhill reported – It was the best attended meeting he had been to with around 40 people. Speakers were Steve Robinson – TDC Planning, Mr Burman – Housing Manager TDC & Mr Frost – Deputy Leader TDC who spoke about planning and housing also Graham Davey from Teign Housing. The provision of Travellers Sites in Teignbridge was discussed. Also the sterilization of hospital instruments which has now been moved to Taunton. Full details of the meeting were placed into the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- h) Footpath Reports – Cllr S Bryan had nothing to report at present.
- i) Reports from Parish Councillors –  
1) Chairman – Cllr D Wilson attended the meet the team event at the Village Hall put on by the Denbury New Village Hall Committee. This was not very well attended – around 4 members of the public and the rest being Committee and Sub-Committee members.
- j) Highway Matters (Maintenance & Lengthsman) –  
1) Flooding down from the Union Inn on the road to Wrenwell.  
2) The Finger Post at Brambleoak pointing to the A38 needs repairing.  
3) West Ogwel Cross by the Playing Field – Finger pointing to West Ogwel is missing.

- 4) Wrenwell Cross to Courtlands Cross the road was marked out for works which were not done and now its all muddy again after been cleaned in readiness for the works which have still not been completed.
- k) Union Inn – New Landlords – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson confirmed that he had spoken to the new Landlords who took over last Friday. They wish to keep the pub as a Village Pub and want to continue with the Grass Cutting agreement. They will write to the PC for the January 2008 meeting to confirm.

7) **Cheques for Signature.**

Cheque no 552 = £1,000.00 – Denbury New Village Hall (PC Donation).

Cheque no 553 = £15.00 – Petty Cash for Stamps.

Cheque no 554 = £15.00 – Denbury Village Hall (Hall Hire).

The above cheques proposed by Cllr A Deacon and seconded by Cllr T Brownhill with all in agreement.

Current Bank Balance – Parish Council – December 2007 - £6,375.86

Current Bank Balance – Playing Field - December 2007 = £308.48

8) **Any Items to go onto next Parish Council meeting Agenda.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.22pm

Next Meeting - Denbury Village Hall – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2008 @ 7.30pm.

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