

DENBURY & TORBRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 3rd January 2005 at Denbury Primary School Meeting Commenced 7.30pm

Present - Cllr S Bryan (Chairman), Cllr P Howe (Vice-Chairman), Cllr C Wills, Cllr D Wilson, Cllr J Loynes, Cllr B Clatworthy, Cllr P Parsons, D Cllr M Colciough, C Cllr P Cook.

In Attendance - 1 Member of the Public.

Apologies for Absence - Cllr J Harrison

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

- a) Mr Tony Brownhill commented regards Rubbish at Bramble Oak Cross which is still there and now a tyre has been added. Also Rubbish still dumped at Newton Cross. D Cllr M Colclough will chase this up at TDC.
- b) Wrenwell to Brambleoak Cross, holes are appearing in the Road and are being made by water running on the road because the gullies need clearing to alleviate this.
- c) Tony also commented that he would like to thank the Parish Council for the very good Christmas Lights this year. The Chairman confirmed that he had received nothing but praise about this years lights and thanked Cllrs Loynes and Wilson for their efforts. A letter of thanks also to go to Graham Taylor who did the electrics for the lights.

2) **Minutes** — The minutes of the meeting held Friday 10th December 2004 have been distributed and read. 1 amendment requested by Cllr C Wills - 6k) Cllr Wills quoted standing order no 36. The minutes were proposed by Cllr B Clatworthy and seconded by Cllr J Loynes with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman — Cllr S Bryan.

3) **Planning Applications Received from TDC**

- a) Application no 2004/5458/11/03— Mr & Mrs G Penfold — Chavara, West Down, Bickington — Loft Conversion. The plans for this had not yet arrived, the Clerk will chase up TDC.

Decisions received from TDC

- a) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission — Application no 2004/4937/11/04 — Mr & Mrs Wakeham — North End Farm, Denbury — Renewal of planning permission 99/2289/11/4 for change of use from two barns to two dwellings
- b) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission & Listed Building Consent — Application no 2004/5030/11/04 & 2004/5029/11/07 — Mr & Mrs W Smith — Long Barn, Norden Farm, Denbury — Conversion of Barn to dwelling with revised internal layout and elevational amendments.

4) **Matters Arising**

- a) DCC Application 05/5364/04 - for Gypsy/Travellers Transit Site at Fairfield Farm, Denbury - — This application has now been withdrawn, the Chairman has compiled a ring binder folder of over 50 letters regards the application and proposed that a standard letter of thanks go to all those that had written, a thanks letter will also go to Steve Anderson the Planning Consultant and to the benefactor paying his fees. Cllr P Howes also confirmed that Mr Curtis and other Parishioners had passed on their thanks to the Parish Council for their prompt attention on this matter.

- b) Denbury Garage Application — TDC Development Committee Meeting — Monday 10th January 2005 — Cllr P Parsons will attend the meeting at TDC. Cllrs Bryan and Harrison attended a site meeting (The site Committee recommends approval). Cllr P Parsons will ask if TDC will defer the application and ask for the roof height to be lowered and for the other items raised by the Parish Council to be taken into consideration or refuse the application. As the plans that are already approved are more in keeping with the surrounding properties.
- c) Hedge at Norden Farm — No reply has been received from Steven Hobbs — Cllr M Colclough will look into.
- d) Burial Grant for Denbury Parish Church — This will be discussed in the precept (Item 6J).
- e) Letter from Denbury New Village HaAI Steering Group — This will be discussed in the precept (Item 6J).
- f) Community Travel Plan — This has now been looked at by Cllrs — Letter to go to Mr P Greet (Ref PG/T48) if there is any chance of any items identified being included the Parish Council would like to have full input in the schemes before they are implemented. We note that the next 5 year plan is now in preparation and we would like to meet with you to update our current plan.

5) Correspondence.

- a) Letter from TDC — Moorland Avenue — Street Naming — Two new homes in Moorland Avenue to be known as Haytor & Saddletor.
- b) Letter from Dickinson Dees Solicitors — Church House Inn, Torbryan — Transfer — Notice of new Licensee.
- c) Letter from DCC - Re: Cllr P Cook and the proposed Travellers/Gypsies Transit Site - This letter was read to Cllrs by Chairman - Cllr S Bryan, who then proposed apologies to Cllr Cook - after subsequent events Cllrs realise that Cllr Cook was in an awkward situation, but the Parish Council had to respond quickly to DCC application for the Fairfield Farm site and the flyer which was sent out to Parishioners was done before a lot more of the full facts were known. Cllr Cook commented that he knew about the site in November but was not aware that a Planning Application had been lodged until a day after the Farmers knew about it. The Chairman suggested an apology in the Denbury Diary as follows

Apology to C Cllr P Cook by Denbury & Torbryan Parish Council regards a Flyer sent to all Denbury & Torbryan Parishioners regards the Proposed Travellers/Gypsies site at Fairfield Farm, Denbury - In light of further information received from DCC and Cllr P Cook we confirm that there was an inaccuracy in the comments made on the flyer regards Cllr Cooks role in the Planning Application.

We quote from DCC as follows; A Councillor who is a member of his local authority's Planning Committee and who has controversial developments proposals in his area is immediately placed in a difficult position. If he associates himself with a campaign, either for or against the scheme, he disqualifies himself as a matter of law from taking part in the decision-making process on the application. Conversely, if he adopts a more restrained, noncommittal approach he may be accused of not robustly reflecting his constituents views. This appears to be what has happened here.

Matters not requiring discussion placed in the envelope to be circulated (4 Envelopes).

6) Main Agenda.

- a) Report from County Cllr P L Cook - Cllr Cook had left the meeting, no further report was given.
- b) Report from District Cllr M Colclough — Cllr Colclough was sorry that the rubbish that had been dumped and as reported earlier in the meeting had not been dealt with and she confirmed that she will chase this up at TDC, she is also going to look into the Hedge at Norden Farm.
- c) Playing Field Management Committee Report — Cllr J Loynes reported that the Roundabout Site is now level and delivery of the Roundabout should be soon.

d) Village Hall Management Committee Report — Cllr C Wills had nothing to report as no meeting had been held.

- e) Village Hall Steering Group Report — Cllr P Howe had nothing to report.
- f) Report on Teignbridge Association of Local Councils - Chairman - Cllr S Bryan and Cllr P Parsons will attend on 27th January 05.
- g) Footpath Reports - Cllr S Bryan had nothing to report.
- h) Reports from Parish Councillors - No reports given.
- i) Road Maintenance & Parish Lengthsman Items — Lengthsman Satisfaction Cards were given to Cllr C Wills the lengthsman contact Potholes have been identified between Wrenwell and Courtland Cross **at** least 3 which are bigger than the required size. One also between Fairfield Farm and the Union Inn.
- j) Precept 2005/2006 - £5,900.00 — Proposed by Cllr P Parsons and seconded by Cllr B Clatworthy with all in agreement
- k) Earthquake Appeal - Chairnan - Cllr S Bryan asked if Cllrs would help any elderly who could not get into town to make donations for the appeal. Other Cllrs confirmed that the Postoffice in the Village is taking donations so this should enable most people access.

7) Cheques for Signature

Cheque no 432 = £499.09 Denbury Parish Hall (Insurance reimbursement).

Cheque no 433 = £141.00 Audit Commission (Annual Audit Fee)

Cheque no 434 £9.45 SWEB (Cistern Electric)

Cheque no 435 = £12.00 Pam Howe (Photocopying)

Cheque no 436 = £35.00 S Bryan (Photocopying)

The above cheques proposed by Cllr P Parsons and seconded by Cllr J Loynes.

Bank Balance -January 2005 = £9,666. 11

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

- a) Parish Meeting Format for April 2005.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm Next Meeting Denbury Village Hall - MONDAY 3rd January 2005 @ 7.30pm.

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