

DENBURY & TORBRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 4th January 2010 at Denbury Village Hall
Meeting Commenced 7.30pm

Present – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson, Cllr T Brownhill, Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy, Cllr M Atkinson, Cllr C Stacey, D Cllr Mrs M Colclough, Cllr J Adams.

In Attendance – 20 members of the Public.

Apologies for Absence – C Cllr D Smith, Cllr Ms L Barnett, Cllr Mrs A Evemy

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

a) Playing Fields – Chairman – Cllr D Wilson - all looking very tidy but obviously not many matches because of the weather at present. Union Inn Team - it has been reported that they have been unable to play but Mr Paul Marino confirmed that they are able to play now as arranged because Torquay United are not playing now after Christmas. Grass - Cars seem to be parking again on the grass - when wet they must not do this as making marks. Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy - speak to Prison as they are able to offer overflow facilities. Cricket - fence around the square broken - the Cricket Club has been informed but also goals have been put across their shed which need moving as they would not be able to get into it.

b) Most of the Public present at the meeting were there in respect of Application no 09/03934/MAJ – Mr C Perrin – Site at Fairview Road / Moorland Avenue – Demolition of 8 existing garage, erection of 11 dwellings and associated works to upgrade highway. Comments as follows -

- Chairman - Cllr D Wilson confirmed that he had received 9 letters of objection and 1 letter of support for the application.
- Supporters for the application in attendance confirmed that they had no objection to the new plans and wished to see the site tidied up.
- Objectors to the application commented –
- Although some changes for the better have been made to the new set of plans and most agree that something will be built on site they are still showing the same number of homes and this is unacceptable.
- The site is overcrowded with too many dwellings which will cause a loss of amenity.
- Even with the number of dwellings reduced would the amount of car movements be affected with less homes means more bedrooms per house which could mean just as many cars.
- Parking – the spaces provided on the plans are sufficient for the number of homes but this is provided that the occupiers use them.
- The erection of the fence currently around the site has removed 14 parking spaces for residents and preventing parking in the turning areas would remove a further 10 spaces.
- Mr Perrin has spoken to some members of the estate and commented that if they are willing to make a parking space on their property the kerbs will be dropped to allow access – but nothing has been received in writing to confirm this.
- Road adoption – nothing has been received from DCC in writing to confirm that they will adopt the roads and pavements once the site is finished.

3) WPC Diana Ashley – e-mail had been received reminding the PC about the PACT meeting on 5th January 2010 at Ipplepen – all invited to attend. No crimes to report from the past month except for the disappearance of 3 boards belonging to Mr C Perrin in Moorland Avenue.

- 2) Minutes** – The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 7th December 2009. Have been distributed and read. They were proposed by Cllr T Brownhill and seconded by Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy with all in agreement and duly signed by the Chairman – Cllr D Wilson.

3) Planning Applications Received from TDC –

- a) Application no 09/03934/MAJ – Mr C Perrin – Site at Fairview Road / Moorland Avenue – Demolition of 8 existing garage, erection of 11 dwellings and associated works to upgrade highway. Cllr M Atkinson has declared an interest and left the room. The site is still over developed causing the lack of amenity and problems with overlooking on the centre of the site. Visibility on the road exiting the site is noted. 11 homes in the small space is too many there are garages opening out directly into the road and parking spaces are restricted. All Parish Councillors were in agreement that something would be built and the design is slightly better than before, but 11 is too many - the Parish Council refuse the application on the above grounds.
- b) Application no 09/03764/COU – Mr & Mrs Wakeham – North End Farm, North Street – Renewal of planning permission 04/04937/COU for conversion of use from two barns to two dwellings. No objections from the Parish Council.

Decisions received from TDC –

- a) Refusal of Planning Permission – Application no 09/03253/FUL – Mr P Durney – 4 Woodland Close – Double garage and loft conversion over.

4) Matters Arising

- a) Village Green – Grass Cutting, Pub Benches, Lorries on the Grass - nothing has been received from the Pub in writing regards benches on the Green. Chairman - Cllr D Wilson had a meeting on the Green with Gregory Distribution - regards the milk tanker driving on the green. Met the transport supervisor and he has furious that the green had been damaged and that damage could have been caused to his lorries - an alternative route was shown to him and he has confirmed that he has spoken to all drivers and if any cars are blocking the route the alternative route will be used.
- b) Parish Plan - Chairman - several pieces in the Village Green magazine worth looking at, last meeting the steering group was looked at and the various skills needed - piece into the Denbury Diary to encourage more to join.
- c) Parish Cluster Meeting - next meeting 21st January 2010 - Cllr Brownhill will attend.
- d) Precept – 2010-2011 - £7,600 - proposed by Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy and seconded by Cllr T Brownhill. A letter to be written to the Village Hall Committee regards the PC Insurance payment to them the Parish Council have agreed to pay 50% of this during this year £410.00 but will have to decide in further years whether any payment is to be given towards it – vote taken – 4 Cllrs in agreement of 50% payment and 1 against.

5) **Correspondence.**

- a) The Boundary Committee for England – Advice to the Secretary of State - into the envelope for perusal.
- b) TDC Letter – Certificate of Lawfulness – Norden Farm, Denbury – an acknowledgement from Nicola Bulbeck has been received. Write letter to Nicola Bulbeck to confirm letters went to Planning and Legal Departments also and replies have not been received as per your Council charter of replies. D Cllr Mrs M Colclough confirmed that Steven Hobbs and Carol Walters are visiting site today and will then confirm the situation.
- c) TDC – Local Development Framework – South West of Exeter - into the envelope for Cllrs perusal.
- d) Audit Commission – External Auditor - new external auditor appointed.
- e) Village Hall Insurance – dealt with within the Precept 2010-2011 – 50% to be paid this year £410.
- f) TDC – Development Framework – Questionnaire - asking for provision of facilities within settlements - Vice-Chairman - Cllr B Clatworthy to complete.

6) **Main Agenda.**

- a) Report from County Councillor – D Smith – Not in attendance – e-mail report as follows - DCC have adopted their strategy to 2013 and it remains for the various portfolio holders to work up their development plans.
- b) Report from District Cllr Mrs M Colclough & District Cllr D Smith – Cllr Mrs M Colclough - nothing further to report after the Christmas break things getting going again.
- c) Playing Field Management Report - (see Public time) it has also been noted not much dog mess at present - hopefully piece in Denbury Diary did some good. Paul Marino confirmed extra keys cut for the Ambulance Gate and Childrens Play area, these were given to the Vice Chairman - Cllr B Clatworthy. Three quotes have now been obtained for the works required to the Kitchen and Changing Rooms - Acceptance of Mr Collings estimate to be put into action asap – all were in agreement.
- d) Village Hall Management Committee Report – Cllr T Brownhill - meeting next Monday. Chairman – Cllr D Wilson – the PC wrote to the Village Hall regards the toilets out of action - they have confirmed that this matter is now in hand. However the outside light is still not working. The Heaters - these need to be turned on one at a time, this is concerning as the electricians are meant to be checked, there was a small fire in the electric box after they had been checked. The PC concerns to be put in writing to the Village Hall regards the heaters - what is the electrical situation - why was there a fire in the fusebox and why do the heaters need to be put on with care, when was the most recent electric check done and could the PC have sight of the inspection certificate. When is the hole in the front door going to be repaired. Is there a fire certificate.
- e) New Parish Hall Steering Group - nothing to report. - meeting 26th January 2010 - with steering group, trustees and multicourt. Acting Chairman Paul Austin to be contacted about any matters regards the site.
- f) Report on Teignbridge Association of Local Councils - no meeting held.
- g) Footpath Reports - nothing to report.
- h) Reports from Parish Councillors of any external meetings attended - nothing to report.
- i) Highways Matters.

1) Fairfield Farm and the roads across the Green and around Green nothing been done to anything. Road down to Bramble Oak edge breaking away. Doughy Lane - Potholes appeared and flooding has been bad. North Street and beyond very bad holes are present. Drains in the Village - work was carried out in November on these in order to top dress the roads after wards - what has happened - are they coming back to complete the drainage works and when are the roads to be top dressed.

7) **Cheques for Signature.**

Cheque no 647 - £10.00 – Denbury Village Hall (Hall Hire).
Cheque no 648 - £20.00 – Cash (Stamps)

Current Bank Balance – Parish Council – January 2010 - £5,501.06
Current Bank Balance – Playing Field - January 2010 - £395.78

Proposed by Vice-Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy & seconded by Cllr T Brownhill with all in agreement.

8) **Any Items to go onto next Parish Council meeting Agenda –** None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm

Next Meeting - Denbury Village Hall - Monday 1st February 2010 at 7.30pm.

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