

**DENBURY & TORBRYAN PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at Denbury Village Hall**  
**Meeting Commenced 7.30pm**

**Present** – Vice-Chairman – Cllr J Adams, Cllr M Atkinson, Cllr T Brownhill, Cllr C Stacey, C Cllr D Smith.

**In Attendance** – Paul Marino (Chairman – Denbury AFC).

**Apologies for Absence** – Chairman – Cllr B Clatworthy, D Cllr Mrs M Colclough

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman - Cllr J Adams took the chair.

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

a) Paul Marino – Chairman – Denbury AFC – The new season has now begun but problems with rabbits have been occurring. Trevor has been spoken to regards the dumping of garden rubbish and burning down at the field.

2) **Minutes** – Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 - Have been distributed and read. They were proposed by Cllr C Stacey and seconded by Cllr T Brownhill with all in agreement and duly signed by the Vice- Chairman – Cllr J Adams.

3) **Planning Applications Received from TDC** – None received.

**Decisions Received from Teignbridge District Council**

- a) Grant of Conditional Planning Permission – Application no 11/01855/FUL – Mr & Mrs Wills – Goosey Cottage, Heathfield Road – Reinstatement of former access and provision of access track with associated landscaping to provide access and parking for tractor and loose box.
- b) Grant of Conditional Consent – Application no 11/01479/LBC – Prof M Hyland – Cheston House, Woodland Road – Installation of door at front of porch on west elevation.

4) **Matters Arising**

- a) Parish Plan – Cllr M Atkinson - the Parish Plan Group held a very successful open evening in the Village Hall and the group are now in the process of converting the comments into questions for the main questionnaire which will be distributed throughout the Parish. Sue Hitchcock from CCD has confirmed that TDC would like to co-operate with the Parish Plan and alongside this do a formal housing needs survey.
- b) Housing needs survey - see item 4a) above - this will now go ahead.
- c) Parish Council Vacancy - Lisa Barnett has not contacted the Parish Council further to an e-mail from the Clerk but has confirmed verbally to the Chairman - Cllr B Clatworthy that she has resigned from the Parish Council as from tonight's meeting.
- d) Glebe Barn - new track - e-mail from Steven Hobbs TDC has been circulated to Cllrs, no application has been forthcoming for the track and some new buildings have been erected along the track, letter to Planning TDC asking them to give assurances to the PC that the building which has permission has been carried out in accordance with the plans and also that the matter of the new track will be pursued for a Planning Application.

- e) Woodland use off Heathfield Road - e-mail from Steven Hobbs TDC regards this to confirm that a certificate of lawfulness has been issued for the mobile home on site. Cllrs are concerned that the dwelling now on site is a permanent building not a mobile home, and the question has been asked as to whether Council Tax is being paid. Letter to TDC to ask whether the enforcement officer can confirm if he has visited site recently and have the works carried out on site been in accordance with the consents granted.

5) **Correspondence.**

- a) Letter from Mr R Stinton – Vehicle Speeds in East Street - reply to Richard many thanks for your e-mail we have noted your comments and are aware that traffic matters and speeds in the village are of great concern and some questions will be forthcoming in the Parish Plan to address these issues.
- b) DCC – Street Lighting – Part-Night Lighting Policy - confirming that Denbury will be part of the part lighting scheme. - lights will go off at 12.30am and come on again around 5am.
- c) DCC – Tithe Map Transcribing - pass letter onto Jean Duggan for the Archive Group.

6) **Main Agenda.**

- a) Report from County Councillor – D Smith – There has been some variation in the posts I hold within the council. I am not currently a member of the Development Management Committee having been switched to the Place Scrutiny Committee by reason of political balance. My committees now include Health and Well Being Scrutiny, Devon and Exeter Rail Group working party as vice chair and Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority. Within the authority I serve on the Resources Committee and the Capital Program Working Party and have been recently elected to serve on the new Commercial Services Committee. I also represent them on the Local Government Rural Commission.

**DCC Management Structure -** The senior management structure is now completed and on 5<sup>th</sup> September members of the Place Scrutiny Committee were briefed by the Strategic Director Place, Heather Barnes, on what the changes and financial constraints may mean going forward. The structure for Place gives rise to five sections as can be seen. Presentations were also given by Ian Harrison, head of Economy and Enterprise and John Smith, head of Services for Communities. It will become apparent that Service for Communities will form a vital part of what we do going forward whether or not we agree with localism and what that means for us.

**Snow Wardens -** Further information has been released under the heading ‘Snow warden and Community Self Help – copies will be distributed to Parish Councils.

**Tour of Britain** Finally a reminder that the County holds its first ever full stage of cycling’s Tour of Britain and people are being encouraged to line the route and cheer the cyclists on. The event takes place on 15<sup>th</sup> September. The route takes the long way round from Exeter to Exmouth and passes through Dartmoor National Park and communities including Pathfinder Village, Tedburn St Mary, Moretonhampstead, Bovey Tracey, Dartmeet, Postbridge, Bow, Crediton, Broadclyst, Rockbeare and West Hill.

- b) Report from District Cllr Mrs M Colclough & District Cllr D Smith -

The District Council leadership are confident they will be able to deliver on its promises having been in post for 100 days. There are a number of areas where savings may be available including returning of assets to community groups or Parish Councils. There is currently a review of toilet facilities in the district to see whether the maintenance is cost effective or whether it would be better carried out by the community.

There have been business forums so that we can better gauge the needs in the area. Ward members have been invited to discuss their aspirations for their wards with the leader of the council. Isolation and vulnerability are two areas where I have concerns especially in these straightened times. People can sometimes put on a brave face but I feel we need to be in a position to help when the cry for help comes.

The executive committee met on Tuesday and amongst items for debate were the quarterly budget assessment, the forward plan and the potential for financially supporting the bid for the South Devon Link Road. Any funding that the council does commit will not be required until 2013/14 and in any case will only be required if the bid is successful.

I am pleased to report that Hannah's at Seale Hayne won support from the Planning Committee for their ambitious 20 year scheme.

- c) Playing Field Management Report - see public time above.
- d) Village Hall Management Committee Report - meeting next Monday.
- e) New Parish Hall Steering Group - no meeting held.
- f) Report on Teignbridge Association of Local Councils - next meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2011.
- g) Footpath Reports - nothing to report.
- h) Reports from Parish Councillors of any external meetings attended – no reports given.
- i) Highways Matters.

- a) Grit bins at Bramble Oak and Norden Farm and 2 at Copley Water had been pushed over - they have been righted now by Highways. Grit Bin at Wrenwell Cross has been damaged and also the Bin at Venn Cross is also still in pieces. When will the 2 new bins be installed in the Village.
- b) Paintball Sign - was still in situ - Cllrs to check this and report back to the Clerk.

7) **Cheques for Signature –**

Cheque no 726 = £133.70 – TDC (Election Expenses).  
 Cheque no 727 = £20.00 – EDF Energy (Cistern Electric).  
 Cheque no 728 = £36.00 – Denbury Village Hall (Hall Hire).  
 Cheque no 729 = £19.60 – HMRC (Clerks PAYE)  
 Cheque no 730 = £580.40 - Sharon Raggett (Clerks Wages) July, Aug, Sep

Current Bank Balance – Parish Council – September 2011 - £4,739.44  
 Current Bank Balance – Parish Plan - £225.52

The above cheques proposed by Cllr C Stacey & seconded by Cllr M Atkinson with all in agreement

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

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.29pm

Next Meeting - Denbury Village Hall - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 – 7.30pm.

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