

BIGBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Bigbury Parish Council meeting held in the Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel on WEDNESDAY 14th September 2016 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr B Carson (in the chair) Cllrs: B Huntley, R Owen, G Rosevear, S Smith, and Clerk R Matthews. C. Cllr R Hosking and D.Cllr L Ward also attended. Nine residents were present.

1.0 Apologies for absence:

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Case.

2.0 Minutes of July 13th meeting:

Cllr Rosevear proposed the minutes be accepted as an accurate record of the meeting, Cllr Smith seconded the proposal and the committee unanimously agreed. These were duly signed by the Chairman.

3.0 Matters arising (actions) from last meeting and not covered in this month's agenda:

Unmanaged vegetation on the corner of Bigbury Green was forcing traffic to drive further towards the centre of the road. Cllr Carson – in process

Japanese knot weed: Discuss with SHDC Environmental Dept. - Parish Clerk

Parking Bay lines (Sedgewell Slipway) – Parish Clerk – in process

Suite of E mail addresses for all Councillors – Parish Clerk – in process

4.0 Open session: The following topics were raised:

Cllr Rosevear requested CPRE be included on the agenda of the October Parish Council meeting - more specifically Bigbury Parish Councils ongoing membership. **Action Clerk**

Resident A raised concerns in respect of the transportation of caravans to and from the Challaborough site during the hours of 09:00 – 18:00. Clerk commented there had been an ongoing dialogue with Parkdean and Devon police since 2007 and advised that further letters would be drafted and sent in an attempt to avoid repetition in 2017. **Action Clerk**

Resident B shared an update on Broadband stating that an engineer had visited the area and confirmed that fibre cabling had been installed ~~to the junction box at the top of Folly Hill~~ to the top of the path up from Challaborough where it meets Marine Drive/Ringmore Drive in BoS. The installation of a 'D Slam' box was needed to make a significant improvement to the service in the surrounding area. A formal report would be made available to all parties to assist in the process of lobbying the appropriate organisations.

Resident C commented on the lack of adequate signage in respect of 'dog friendly' areas of the beach. It was agreed that a group would look into this with a view to resolving the issue before summer 2017. There may also be some funding to help with the cost of new signs.

Action Cllr Carson, Cllr Huntley and District Cllr Ward

Resident D raised concerns over the speed (excessive) of traffic through the villages. C.Cllr Hosking suggested that official speed monitoring equipment could be useful in terms of quantifying the issue and it was agreed that such equipment would be requested.

Action Cllr Owen

It was agreed to publish a copy of the draft minutes of Council meetings on the Bigbury Community Website. The target date was to be ten days after the meeting. **Action Clerk**

5.0 County Councillor's report: C.CLLR Hosking apologised for missing the prior two meetings.

Road congestion was discussed on the road between Kittaford Cross and Loddiswell. Cllr Hosking advised that any request for road improvements needed to be supported by a business case. Cllr Carson advised a section of road between Harraton Cross and California Cross was of specific importance to Bigbury Parish Council residents.

C.Cllr Hosking would find a template of a petition form that may help. **Action C.Cllr Hosking**

C.Cllr Hosking advised the Community car scheme was still work in process.

C.Cllr Hosking shared background information on 'your future care'; updates on NHS services across the South Hams area. Further updates were to be shared with all Parish Councillors.

Action Clerk

C.Cllr Hosking advised that Broadband phase two was being rolled out across Devon and Somerset. The tendering process had been expanded to allow smaller companies to bid for the work and he would keep the Parish Council updated on this topic.

In respect of potholes and the assistance residents could provide to assist the County Council, C.Cllr Hosking confirmed that Chapter 8 training was required and that to benefit from some level of insurance cover at County Council level, any assistance must be on a voluntary basis and be covered under the Road Warden scheme.

Information on Devon and Somerset devolution was available and he could be contacted if anyone required more detailed updates.

In response to a question raised at the May 11th Parish Council meeting in respect of inappropriate parking on a strip of land at Hilltop, C.Cllr Hosking confirmed that boulders etc. could be put in place but must be able to be removed.

6.0 District Councillor's report:

District Councils priorities. D.Cllr Ward advised that a website was now up and running for people to access information. This was easy to use and select topics of personal interest.

Joint Local Plan Consultation. D.Cllr Ward thanked the Council for their submission which was of a high quality.

Housing Survey. There was discussion on the progress and status of this review process and Cllr. Carson felt that time had been lost in moving it forward as it had been agreed to progress as soon as possible after the presentation given by Alex Rehaag in January 2016. He would discuss this further with the parties involved. **Action – Cllr Carson**

Health and Wellbeing Board. D.Cllr Ward reminded everyone that leisure centre management had now been taken over by Fusion who were considering outreach programmes for rural communities, confirming this would only move forward after consideration of programmes already in place.

7.0 Planning applications: The following were discussed:

- a. 1863/16/LBC, 2370/16/LBC, 2371/16/LBC. Pickwick Inn, St Ann's Chapel. Alterations to ducting and extraction systems. The Council had undertaken a site visit and had approved the application (with observations)
- b. 1621/16/FUL Waves Edge, Challaborough. Replacement dwelling. The council had undertaken a site visit (the second site visit) and agreed unanimously to object to this application.

- c. 2079/11/HH0 Butterwell Barn, Bigbury. Single side extension. This application has been withdrawn.
- d. 2080/16/LBC Shoal of Furze, Aveton Gifford. Extension to provide garden and shower room. The Council agreed to this proposal.
- e. It was suggested that an independent Planning Consultant could be engaged to review the change of use for Bay Café/warren Cottage. Cllr. Carson the Parish Council could not be involved in this nor could they support it financially.

8.0 Trees – Bigbury on Sea:

Trish Bagley, Tree Warden, attended the meeting and raised concerns about overgrown conifers on Folly Hill. These were obstructing the footpath and needed to be trimmed and it was agreed the Parish Clerk would write to the residents. **Action Clerk**

9.0 Neighbourhood Plan:

This is in process and further meetings start in October.

10.0 Finance:

There were no payments to be made and the Clerk presented a financial statement showing a) cash book, b) cash forecast, c) analysis of restricted/unrestricted funds, d) reconciliation between cash book and bank statements.

The Clerk confirmed a bank balance of £16257.59.

11.0 Devon air ambulance night landing sites:

Three potential night landing sites were discussed and to discuss this further the Community Helipads Development Officer would be invited to a future meeting. **Action Clerk**

12.0 Benches – Bigbury on Sea:

Several options had been put forward but it was agreed to purchase a bench from Rattery Saw Mills at a cost of £208 + VAT with an additional fitting cost of £100. It was agreed to allocate up to £150 for the repair of another bench. This was proposed by Cllr Rosevear and seconded by Cllr Smith. **Action Cllr Carson**

13.0 RNLI Lifeguard station:

As planned the temporary facility had been removed as planned and RNLI had submitted a report on its success (copy uploaded to Bigbury Parish website). On the information provided it was agreed in principle to allow RNLI to use the same site in 2017.

14.0 Skip placement:

After discussion it was agreed that a waste skip would be hired for residents use on a Sunday (date to be determined) in November. The location for the placement will be confirmed at the October Parish Council meeting. **Action Clerk**

Notification would be made on Parish notice boards and in Bigbury News.

Action Clerk and Cllr Owen

15.0 Signage footpath Clematon Hill:

Concerns were raised about the public safety and a site visit was to be arranged. The Footpath Warden would be invited to attend. **Action Clerk**

16.0 Correspondence:

The Clerk read out a letter from the Committee of Hope Cove Lifeboat thanking the Council for the £200 donation.

Cllr Rosevear confirmed he would be attending the IDALC meeting on September 29th.

Parish Clerk confirmed he would be attending a Clerk's meeting at SHDC on October 3rd.

17.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING; WEDNESDAY 12th October 2016 – starting at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed 09:40 pm

Signed.....
Bryan Carson, Chairman, Bigbury Parish Council