

**KILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7.30 p.m. ON TUESDAY, 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2014****IN THE PAVILION, WHITFORD ROAD.**

1. **PRESENT** : Cllr. M. Collier (Chairman), Cllr. C.H. Bolton (Vice-Chairman), Cllr. S.R. Hodges , Cllr. S.A. Huscroft, Cllr. S.J. Newbery, Cllr. R. I. Penzer, Cllr. D.A. Vickers, Cty. Cllr. Moulding, Dist Cllr. Chubb , the Clerk, and 2 members of the public were present.

2. **APOLOGIES** :, Cllr. R.A.L. Tattershall, Cllr. B.J. Trott and P.C.S.O. Wooster had sent their apologies.

3. **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**: Cllr. Vickers pointed out that the pagination was incorrect and that P.C.S.O. Rodgers had not been at the meeting. Also added that the details of the planning applications for Stonehaven had been inserted in the middle of those for 2, Whitehayes Close . Cllr. Vickers, seconded by Cllr. Bolton, proposed that they be approved subject to those corrections.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**: None.

6. **POLICE REPORT**: P.C.S.O. Wooster had informed the Clerk that there had been five crime since the last meeting.

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8. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**:

a) Current Financial Position :

BANK RECONCILIATION	
30/11/2014	
STATEMENT 63 30/11/2014	13089.51
(Unpresented Cheques)	-364.80
Post Date Payments	0.00
	0.00
Post Date Receipts	0.00
Total	12724.71

This was broken down:

ACCOUNT SUMMARY	
P3 Balance	737.53
Parish Business Balance	11987.18
Grants Balance	0.00
Total	12724.71

The National Savings Account stood at:

NATIONAL SAVINGS	£
Balance at 01/04/2014	89825.20
Transfer to NSB Ac.	0.00
Interest 14	0.00
Total	89825.20

The Santander Account balance was:

Santander	£
01/04/2014	1066.87
Interest	1.06
Transfer	0.00
Total	1067.93

b) Requests for Financial Assistance: A request had been received from the East Devon Citizens' Advice Bureau. Cllr. Bolton, seconded by Cllr. Huscroft proposed that a donation of £40 be made. Agreed.

c) Intervening Payments to be Approved: None.

d) Payments to be approved for which Invoices have been received:

Cllr. Vickers, seconded by Cllr. Huscroft, proposed that the following payments were approved. Agreed. :

CHQ NO.	PARISH BUSINESS	Sum	V.A.T	Goods
	Payee	£	£	£
1646	KILMINGTON VILLAGE HALL (Donation)	850.00	0.00	850.00
1647	AXMINSTER PRINTING LTD. (Stationery)	7.99	1.33	6.66
1648	AXE SKIP HIRE (Dec/Jan)	72.00	12.00	60.00
1649	KILMINGTON VILLAGE HALL (Hall Hire)	20.00	0.00	20.00
1650	EAST DEVON C.A.B. (Donation)	40.00	0.00	40.00
	Total	989.99	13.33	976.66

It was agreed that the cheque for the repairs to the village hall be retained until the Chairman advised that these had been completed.

e) Forthcoming Expenditure: The Clerk said that there would be employment costs, electricity costs and staff costs.

f) Precept Preliminaries : the Clerk said that she had received information regarding the amount to allow for the cost of elections and the level of Council Tax Support Grant from East Devon District Council. Cllr. Vickers will examine the various figures and draft a budget for consideration at the January meeting.

9. OPEN FORUM: A resident who had been looking into the possibilities of community electricity generation said that he had carried out some initial research but had further investigations to make.

#### 10. PLANNING MATTERS:

##### a) APPLICATIONS

The Clerk said that she was aware that an application had been submitted for Old Vealhayes but that the plans had not been received yet.

##### b) DECISIONS

##### APPLICATIONS APPROVED

14/2570/FUL

Stonehaven, Whitford Road, Kilmington, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7RG  
Installation of new wooden gates.

14/2571/LBC

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##### c) CORRESPONDENCE

E.D.D.C. – re reduction in community benefit from Section 106 for small developments.

Referring to a letter received previously regarding paperless planning, Cllrs. Vickers said he and Cllr. Trott had not had time to investigate the options regarding a broadband feed to the Village Hall and the Pavilion to enable the use of digital equipment in these buildings by users.

#### 11. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Response to Matters Already Reported – a local contractor had been asked to investigate reports of problems caused by trees overhanging parked vehicles. Work on some of the drainage problems in Coryton Lane had been done by the Highway Authority and a local landowner had undertaken some drainage works on an adjacent copse. Potholes and a ditching problem by Hills Farm had been reported but not yet repaired.

b) Matters to Report – Cllr. Newbery said that the owner of Arch Cottage was concerned about the potential for bramble growth on Jubilee Green to block the culvert and stream. The area by Brookside was also in need of clearing by the Highway Authority.

c) Speed Reduction Issues – Cllr. Vickers said that the Highways Agency was working on a study for March 2015. A financial appraisal for the scope of the study would be undertaken to see whether a reduction in speed limit could be included and various other suggestions included.

#### 12. MAINTENANCE MATTERS:

a) Bus Shelters – nothing to report.

b) Play Area – nothing to report.

c) Tree Works – a resident had expressed concerns about overhanging branches from trees on The Common. A local contractor will be asked to investigate.

d) Seats and Notice Boards – the Chairman will remind the contractor that the work on the noticeboard by the village green requires further work. Work is needed on the Village Sign.

e) Dog Fouling – Cllr. Huscroft reported that warden had been round again and replace the notices which had been removed last time and that the new notices were still in place.

f) Village Hall Car Park – repairs are needed on the barrier posts on the Church Side. No further information had been received regarding the tripartite agreement needed for the new opening between the car park and the Baptist Church.

13. MATTERS OF URGENCY: none.

14. ALLOTMENT MATTERS: the Clerk said that she still had some rents waiting to pay in and some some letters to send out.

15. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP: nothing to report.

16. AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Cllr. Vickers said that he had been asked for feedback on the proposed rentals. The consensus of opinion was that the Parish Councillors would prefer that they were lower but recognised that they were around the going rate.

17. PARISHES TOGETHER FUNDING Cllr. Collier reported on a recent meeting and it was agreed that as the Dog Warden project was not considered viable, Kilmington would direct its moneys towards support for The Project. Agreed.

18. HITCHCOCK TRUST: Nothing to report.

19. THE COMMON: further clearing work had been done.

20. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION: It was agreed that the newest sign should be substituted for the oldest of those on the existing structure. Cllr. Huscroft, seconded by Cllr. Bolton proposed that the vouchers be offered to the pre-school play group. Agreed.

21. DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL TOUGH CHOICES CONSULTATIONS: Referring to proposals that supply of salt grit might be an area of expenditure cut in the future, Cllr. Vickers reported that all the grit bins were stocked and that the team members were all prepared to carry on.

22. THREATS TO SERVICE PROVISION AT AXMINSTER HOSPITAL: the implementation of the temporary transfer of the in-patient beds to Seaton had been deferred to allow a further period of public consultation.

23. CORRESPONDENCE: Various newsletters and reports were put into circulation.

Signed ..... Date .....