

WOODBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOMS, WOODBURY ON
13 July 2015 @ 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Mrs C McGauley (Chair), D Atkins, Mrs J Best, P Bricknell, B Jones, G Jung, G Murrin, T Pattison & J Pyne

Also present: District Cllrs G Jung (Parish & District) & R Longhurst: Mrs B Price (Clerk) and 5 members of the public

PUBLIC SPEAKING: No members of the public expressed the wish to speak.

15/113 MINUTES: The Minutes of the proceedings of the Parish Council meeting held on 22 June 2015 were received and confirmed as an accurate record (P/S: Atkins/Jung - AIF)

15/114 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bartlett (sick), Burgess (wife sick), Mrs Edwards (holiday).

15/115 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest were received as follows. Councillors declaring prejudicial interests left the room and took no part in the discussions or votes.

15/117 Accounts Cllr Pattison (payee of cheque)

15/116 DECLARATIONS BY DISTRICT COUNCILLORS: It was formally noted that the participation of Cllr Jung (who is also a Member of East Devon District Council) in both the debates and subsequent votes was on the basis that the views expressed were his preliminary views taking account of the information presently available to the Parish Council. He reserved his final views on the applications until he was in full possession of all the relevant arguments, both for and against them.

15/117 ACCOUNTS & FINANCES: An amended schedule of expenditure (app A yellow) was received and duly authorised (P/S: Atkins/Bricknell – AIF)

15/118 CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence had been received that was not reflected elsewhere on the agenda.

15/119 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT: The Chairman had nothing to report that was not reflected elsewhere on the agenda

15/120 PLANNING: Applications considered at this meeting

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15/1370/MRES Land to south of Broadway – Reserved matters application for the erection of 20no dwellings (approval of appearance, landscaping, layout & scale)

Response *Support providing the roof tiling is varied. Concern was expressed regarding the position of the crossing on the village side of the access and it was noted that the visibility splay assumes there are no vehicles parked on the village side of the access. This could constitute a safety hazard if there are no plans to ensure that parking on this area will be prohibited (P/S: Pyne/Atkins – AIF)*

15/1400/TCA Bixley Haven, Broadway – T1 Sycamore – remove 3 suckers nearer to house: T2 Ash – reduce long limb from approximately 6 metres back to 4 metres (pruning cut diameter 100mm): T3 & 6 (Sycamore), T4 (Willow), T5 & 7 (Cherry) - Fell

Response *No objections to the works to T1 & T2 but object to the works to T3 – T7 inclusive on the grounds that they are not dead, dying or dangerous and there is no apparent need for their removal (P/S: McGauley/Bricknell – AIF)*

15/1418/FUL Poundsgate, Parsonage Way - Raising of roof height to allow loft conversion with rear dormer

Response *Object on the grounds of loss of privacy to neighbouring property & overdevelopment of the site (P/S: Pyne/Atkins – AIF)*

15/1432/FUL Broadpark, Town Lane – Demolition of existing garage and construction of single storey extension to side. Construction of car port

Response *Support (P/S: Atkins/Pyne – AIF)*

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15/120 PLANNING: Applications considered at this meeting (cont)

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15/1470/VAR Elmside, Town Lane – Variation of condition 9 (plans condition) of planning permission 14/1281/RES (for the construction of 2no detached dwellings) to allow for the utilisation of the site access, the addition of a new garage and a revision to the ground floor layout of plot 2.

Response *Object on the grounds of concerns regarding the height of the proposed garage roof and the possible detrimental effect upon the tree canopy & root system of the tree closest to it (T11)(P/S: Atkins/Bricknell – vote: 5 in favour/3 against – proposal carried)*

15/1472/FUL Wellcourt, Orchard Close – Demolition of garage & construction of single storey side extension: creation of new path to front

Response *Support (P/S: Pyne/Best - AIF)*

15/1535/FUL 4 Bretteville Close – Removal of existing conservatory & replacement with two storey side extension

Response *Support (P/S: Pyne/Atkins - AIF)*

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15/1492/FUL Bridge Farm, Stony Lane – Retention of vehicular access

Response *Support in principle but concerns were expressed regarding the surfacing which will wash out onto the lane (P/S: Bricknell/Atkins – AIF)*

** *The Police Report (app C) was received*

*** *A brief adjournment followed for reports from officials*

Cllr Longhurst reported that EDDC is proposing to sell off their beach huts on a 5 year lease to the highest bidder without taking into account anyone who already rents them or is on the waiting list. A new recycling regime is being tried out in Exmouth to include cardboard and plastics but it will only be collected on a three weekly basis which could prove to be a problem.

There is concern regarding whether the Dinan Way link will bring traffic through Woodbury instead of along the A376 and it would appear to be very unpopular with local residents.

With regard to the proposed extension of the licence at Blackhill Quarry, he suggested that now would be the time to request traffic calming measures through Woodbury if the application is approved.

Cllr Jung advised that there is concern regarding waste being collected less frequently and a weekly nappy collection is being considered. Garden waste is being collected by a private company.

With regard to the Straightgate application – every parish council and the district council has objected to it and County Cllr Mrs Christine Channon will speak against it on Wednesday at the Development Committee meeting.

Cllr Ingham's written report had been previously forwarded to all Councillors and is attached to the minutes

15/121 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR FOR WOODBURY WARD: One application was received for the casual vacancy on Woodbury Parish Council. It was resolved that Roger Mayo should be co-opted as a Member for Woodbury Ward (P/S: Atkins/Jung – AIF)

15/122 FACEBOOK PAGE FOR WOODBURY PARISH COUNCIL: After a short discussion on how the page will be managed to avoid possible abuse, it was agreed that the page should be named “*Woodbury Neighbourhood Plan (the future of Woodbury Parish)*”. Making it a Neighbourhood Plan page as opposed to a Parish Council page will avoid all entries having to be previously approved by the Clerk which would be onerous for both the contributors and the Clerk. The page will be set up by Cllr Jones and run by the Neighbourhood Plan Group thereby enabling them all to contribute and keeping the public informed (P/S: McGauley/Jones – vote: 8 in favour/1 abstention)

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15/123 EXETER CITY COUNCIL – DEVELOPMENT DELIVERY DOCUMENT (PUBLICATION VERSION): Notice was received that Exeter City Council is carrying out the publicity period on this document which it proposes to submit to the Secretary of State (www.exeter.gov.uk/developmentdelivery). It provides a formal opportunity for the local community to consider the document and make representations by the closing date of 31 August 2015. The publication version of the plan has been prepared taking into account the results of the previous consultation on the draft document and the 2015 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. After a short discussion it was agreed that Cllr Jung would look at it and send a proposed response to the Clerk for consideration by the PC at its meeting on 27 July from which he would be absent on holiday.

15/124 EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL – CRANBROOK – DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT (DPD): EDDC has requested the views of the PC to help them development plans and polices to guide the future expansion of Cranbrook new community (www.eastdevon.gov.uk/media/1162155/160615-combined-dmc-agenda-compresed.pdf) (app D). After a short discussion it was agreed that Cllr Mrs Best would peruse the documentation and report back to the Parish Council meeting on 27 July, providing a suggested response for PC consideration in time for the closing date of 7 August 2015.

15/125 COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS: *No decisions are made under this item, but matters may be discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information*

Atkins Advised that he had met with a representative of Devon County Council at Porters Lane in an attempt to establish that the maintenance of the grass verge was the responsibility of DCC. It is maintained that this is not the case although DCC has maintained it previously. Cllr Atkins requested that the area be added to the grass cutting list for the Parish Council’s contractor and the Chair agreed to meet him on site to view and discuss.

Murrin Advised that he is chasing Canadian Solar Solutions for the final draft of the agreement and he will keep the PC informed

Pattison Expressed concern that the cycle track runs through Exton Lane and Green Lane where the hedges are privately owned but no-one appears to be maintaining them on the road side. He will liaise with Cllr Atkins and Devon CC in an attempt to get them cut back

Jones Reported large pieces of wood on top of the hedgerow in Honey Lane. Cllr Mrs McGauley volunteered to contact Tim Smith at Greendale to report.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed (Presiding Chairman) Date