

WOODBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOMS, WOODBURY ON
26 May 2015 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Mrs C McGauley (Chair), R Bartlett, Mrs J Best, P Bricknell, J Burgess, B Jones, G Jung & J Pyne

Also present: 3 members of the public including Mrs S Elliott (WS Tree Warden) and the Clerk, Mrs B Price

15/085 MINUTES: The Minutes of the proceedings of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 May 2015 were received and confirmed as amended as an accurate record (P/S: Bricknell/Burgess – AIF).

15/086 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs G Murrin and T Pattison (both prior engagements)

15/087 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest were received as follows:

None

* Councillors declaring prejudicial interests left the room and took no part in the discussions or votes.

15/088 PLANNING: *The following applications were discussed and responses agreed as follows:*

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15/1016/FUL Meadowbrook House, Broadway – Construction of single storey rear extension

Response: *Members had no objections in principle but expressed the following reservations (P/S: Burgess/Bartlett – vote – AIF):*

- 1. The application site is in a Conservation Area which is not made clear in the application*
- 2. The proposed extension has a flat roof contrary to the guidelines of the Village Design Statement*

APPEAL NOTIFICATIONS:

APP/U1105/Y/15/3013857 & APP/U1105/Y/15/3013864 - Victoria Cottages, Greenway, Woodbury – Remove front wall and part of side wall to form parking spaces. Appeal against the decision of the East Devon District Council to refuse to grant planning permission & listed building consent for the proposed development
Any comments or modification/withdrawal of previous representations must be made by 18 June 2015

Response: *After a short discussion it was agreed that the little village garden should be preserved and that removal of the wall would set a precedent for the neighbouring property. It was further agreed that the opinion of the PC had not changed since the application was originally discussed and that no further action need be taken with regard to the Appeal (P/S: McGauley/Burgess – vote: 7 in favour/1 abstention)*

15/089 CO-OPTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR FOR EXTON WARD & TWO COUNCILLORS FOR WOODBURY WARD: One application had been received from Cllr David Atkins (Lypstone PC) to serve on the Parish Council Ward of Exton. It was agreed that Cllr Atkins would bring a wealth of experience to the Parish Council and that he should be co-opted as a Member for Exton (P/S: McGauley/Bricknell – vote: 7/1). No applications had been received for the remaining vacancies in Woodbury Ward and the Clerk will continue to advertise the positions.

15/090 ELECTORAL REVIEW OF DEVON: DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS: Notice of draft recommendations (www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/4141) of the electoral review were received and discussed. It was agreed that it would be useful to have Woodbury Salterton within the same boundary as Woodbury and Exton and the Clerk was instructed to respond welcoming the changes (P/S: Jung/McGauley – vote: AIF)

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- 15/091 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:** The suggestion that the Parish Council should own and run its own website was discussed and agreed. It was further agreed that the PC would continue to use the current Woodbury village website for the time being and that the Clerk should contact District Cllr Rob Longhurst and anyone else who might be able to assist in the matter of building a website. If necessary an advert could be placed in the Woodbury News asking for assistance (P/S: Burgess/Bricknell – vote: AIF)
- 15/092 DAMAGE BY LARGE LORRIES TO VERGES AND BANKS:** How best the Parish Council can deal with large lorries whose satellite navigation systems direct them down unsuitably narrow lanes, causing widespread damage to the verges, banks, flora and fauna was discussed and various suggestions made. Traffic signage would be the most sensible option but unfortunately traffic orders for such signage are too expensive for Devon County Council to contemplate. It was suggested that perhaps there could be one traffic order to cover the entire area of signage and this idea is being taken up with County Cllr Mrs Christine Channon. Alternative suggestions included
- 1) asking Greendale to amend the postcode relating to Hogsbrook so that all vehicles would be directed to the main Greendale site
 - 2) Councillors taking the names of the businesses shown on any lorries using narrow, inappropriate lanes so that the Clerk could contact the companies such as she had done successfully with Parkers.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed (Presiding Chairman) Date