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Parish Council

Parish Councillors	J Stansell	Chairman
	J Batley	
	J Bennett	
	D Brown	District Councillor
	A Cammack	Vice Chairman
	C Curtis	
	D Drought	
	D Giles	
	J Hart	County Councillor
	R Newnham	
	D Packer	
	A Wirgman	
Clerk	R Fairclough	

Minutes of the Wembury Parish Council Meeting held at the Wembury War Memorial Village Hall, on Monday 28 September 2015.

15-110 OPENING THE MEETING

The Chairman, Cllr Stansell, opened the meeting at 7:32 pm and welcomed everyone.

Cllrs Batley, Bennett, Brown, Curtis, Giles, Newnham and Packer were present, together with District Councillor Cane and one member of the public.

15-111 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Cllrs Drought, Cammack, Hart, Wirgman and PCSO Potter.

15-112 DECLARATION OF INTEREST & DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None.

15-113 THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL WAS SUSPENDED FOR THE PUBLIC TO MAKE OBSERVATIONS OR TO PUT QUESTIONS

The Chairman suspended the business of the Council and opened this session to the public at 7:33 pm.

The Chairman announced that members of the public are only allowed to speak during the open session of the meeting and they should raise any matters of concern, or explanation, including planning items, at that time and not wait until later in the meeting, as they would not be allowed to speak.

i) August & September 2015 - Police Report

PCSO Andy Potter had provided a written report which the Chairman read as follows:-

From 27th July to 31st August

Wembury Area

On 28/7 report of taking a motor vehicle without the owner's consent, offender arrested and charged to court - CR/052316/15

Between 1100 and 2200 on 18th burglary to house in the Hollacombe area, enquiries ongoing - CR/057915/15

On 21/8 report of a minor assault, no further action taken - CR/058772/15

Down Thomas Area

Overnight 10th / 11th report of fly tipping, large quantity of waste dumped in farmer's field, enquiry passed to council - CR/055966/15

From 1st to 25th September

Bovisand Area

On 13/9, report of possession of a controlled drug, small amount of herbal cannabis, after enquiries no further action taken - CR/064371/15

Cllr Giles explained in detail the fly tipping problem and the difficulty she had trying to get South Hams DC to respond. She is not happy with South Hams DC, who has still to respond to her. She has paid to have the fly tipping removed and disposed of.

ii) Members of the Public

No comments.

There were no further comments from the public and the Chairman closed this open session at 7:42 pm to resume Parish Council business.

15-114 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 27 JULY AND 24 AUGUST 2015.

The minutes were agreed as being a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

15-115 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES MEETING HELD ON 27 JULY 2015

15-092 i) Speed Watch

The Chairman reported that details had been put in the Wembury Review and on the website but only one person had responded. However, it requires a minimum of 6 people to volunteer. A short discussion ensued. **The Chairman asked all members to personally contact people who they think may be interested in Speed Watch.**

15-092 ii) Speed Warning Sign

Cllr Cammack has been contacted about a suitable training date.

MEETING HELD ON 24 AUGUST 2015

15-106 River Yealm Parishes – Working Together

The Chairman reported that he could not attend on the proposed date of 12 October 2015.

After a short discussion the Clerk was asked to change the date if possible.

15-107 South Hams DC Localities Officer – Tim Pollard

The Clerk reported that he had met Tim Pollard and had explained the main topics of concern for Wembury Parish Council and Tim had offered to help where he could. **The Clerk had invited Tim to a future meeting of the Parish Council to introduce himself.**

15-116 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY PLANNING REPORTS

i) Leyford Close Development

The Chairman reported that Tony Lacrouts a staunch campaigner against the Taylor Wimpey development had sadly died of his illness. He wished to record, on behalf of the Parish Council, many thanks for all the good work Tony had done in taking Taylor Wimpey to task and for his help in keeping them to their Management Plan.

Cllr Brown said that the development hadn't helped his final days and he felt that the Parish Council should send their condolences to his widow. All agreed. **The Clerk was asked to send condolences on behalf of the Parish Council.**

The Chairman reported that the question of fines imposed by Taylor Wimpey on some of their delivery companies being transferred to the Parish Council, has not yet been resolved.

ii) Wembury Recreation Ground Masterplan

a) Meeting on 17 September 2015

The Chairman reported that following the last Parish Council meeting the Working Group had met Keith Rennells and Dean Price of Elm Contractors on 17 September 2015 to discuss the requirements of the Parish Council, as minuted.

Keith and Dean had submitted a joint quote to carry out the works which had been circulated to all members via email. The Clerk explained that the quote was very reasonable and as both Keith and Dean had been working on this project for South Hams DC previously, he felt that they had specific specialist knowledge to do this work, which would be to the advantage of Wembury PC. Consequently, he had not sought further quotes. A discussion followed.

The Chairman proposed, seconded by Cllr Brown that the quote submitted by Keith Rennells and Dean Price is accepted in the sum of £2400, plus mileage costs, due to the specialist knowledge they possess. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: The quote by Keith Rennells and Dean Price is accepted in the sum of £2400, plus mileage costs, due to the specialist knowledge they possess.

The Clerk explained that these costs could possibly be reclaimed against the S106 Agreement with Taylor Wimpey for the Leyford Close development. Cllr Newnham proposed, seconded by Cllr Bennett that the Clerk seek to reclaim these costs against the Taylor Wimpey S106 Agreement for the Leyford Close development. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: The Clerk seek to reclaim these costs against the Taylor Wimpey S106 Agreement for the Leyford Close development.

b) Public Meeting

The Chairman reported that a public meeting was now required to seek the views of the local community about whether Wembury Parish Council, or some locally formed group, should take over the Wembury Recreation Ground and all the facilities, or whether it should remain with South Hams DC. A discussion ensued about suitable dates and exactly what is to be discussed. Cllr Brown proposed, seconded by Cllr Curtis that a public meeting is to be held at 6.30 pm immediately before the Parish Council meeting on 30 November 2015, to obtain the community's views on whether Wembury Parish Council, or some locally formed group, should take over the Wembury Recreation Ground and all the facilities, or whether it should remain with South Hams DC. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: A public meeting is to be held at 6:30 pm immediately before the Parish Council meeting on 30 November 2015, to obtain the community's views on whether Wembury Parish Council, or some locally formed group, should take over the Wembury Recreation Ground and all the facilities, or whether it should remain with South Hams DC.

c) Future Discussions with South Hams DC

A short discussion ensued. It was felt that initial discussions should be held with South Hams DC to find out what is involved in taking over the Wembury Recreation Ground and all the services. **The Clerk was asked to arrange a suitable meeting with South Hams DC officers.**

iii) Planning Applications

The Chairman went through the planning applications.

RESOLVED: To accept the Planning Report with resolutions as detailed in ANNEX A of these minutes.

15-117 TO RECEIVE INWARD CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION

Letters / Emails

a) Wembury WMVillage Hall – Provision of Book Lending Service – Grant Request

This request to be considered later in the meeting under Finance reports.

b) Wembury PCC – Church Room Land

The Chairman had written to the Vicar expressing concern about the sale of the Church Room land but had not received a reply. He had subsequently spoken to the Vicar who had said that the sale of the land had been postponed and the PCC were looking at other aspects of the land.

c) Devon CC – Devon Minerals Plan – Consultation

No comments

d) South Hams DC – Gambling Statement of Principles – Consultation

No comments

e) Rural Services Network – Rural Policing Matters – Campaign

Following a discussion, members felt that there should be more rural policing, especially prosecutions for fly tipping which appears to be on the increase.

The Chairman agreed to send off a response accordingly.

f) South Hams DC – Planning Consultation re Change of Use

Following a short discussion it was agreed that Wembury Parish Council should support recent correspondence from other parish councils and that South Hams DC should inform the parish councils about planning applications which change the use of rural buildings.

The Chairman proposed, seconded by Cllr Bennett that Wembury Parish Council support recent correspondence from other parish councils and that South Hams DC should inform the parish councils about planning applications which change the use of rural buildings. Cllr

Brown abstained and the resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: Wembury Parish Council support recent correspondence from other parish councils and that South Hams DC should inform the parish councils about planning applications which change the use of rural buildings.

g) Devon CC – Urban Grass Cutting – Self Help

Cllr Cammack was asked to look into this and report back.

h) Devon CC – Sherford – New Primary School Applications

No comments.

15-118 URGENT MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

None.

15-119 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY OR DISTRICT COUNCIL ON MATTERS AFFECTING WEMBURY DEVON CC

Cllr Hart - No report on this occasion.

SOUTH HAMS DC

Cllr Brown had submitted a written report as follows:-

I would like to start of my report this month by mentioning my visit to the Contact Centre at South Hams, which also takes calls from residents of West Devon Borough Council, as part of the working in partnership programme. I took the opportunity so that I could get a better idea of the way that calls are handled at the Council from a customer service perspective. I was greeted on arrival by Mark, the supervisor for the centre, and I was shown by the call centre dashboard which shows the number of calls being received and answered in the contact centre. I was extremely impressed by the performance of the call centre staff. The calls that I observed were dealt with extremely efficiently. It may take a few more minutes for your calls to be answered, however when it is answered, it should be able to be dealt with there and then. For all the calls

that - I observed, whatever query or question the resident had, was dealt with there and then, where it be a council tax issue or benefits, there was no need for the Resident to have to contact customer services again about the issue that they had contacted the council about. I thought that this was an extremely positive visit, and the staff are highly trained to be able to deal with the queries that they have been given.

Chairman at the full Council meeting on the 8th September the Council voted to revoke the interim planning objections agreed at full council on the 12 September this year. This was after a legal challenge by Reading and West Berkshire Council at the Governments policy. The Council also voted in favour of offering Discretionary Local Business Rate relief policy. This is so that local businesses can be offered a discretionary business rate relief where it is in the interest of the local Council taxpayers to do so,

At the executive meeting held on the 10th September it was recommended the the council release S106 funds for Open Space, Sport and Recreation, Community and Landscape projects. Wembury and Brixton Ward, is one that is subject to these funds for which the Council is committed to the expenditure of £250,000 across the District. Wembury will be receiving a financial contribution of £140,887.50 for sport and recreation which will go towards the proposed Outdoor Sport and Recreation Plan, due to the development at Barton Break requiring additional need for recreation. There has been a working group set up by the Parish Council for the Recreation Ground, which I know has been able to meet, unfortunately I have been not been able to attend as yet.

Cllr Cane reported that if Wembury Parish Council took over the Wembury Recreation Ground then South Hams DC would provide help and assistance in the short term. He apologised to Cllr Giles for the lack of response from South Hams DC regarding the fly tipping and would look into the situation for her.

15-120 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

i) WEMBURY SCHOOL REPORT

No written report this month. Cllr Packer informed members that he has spoken to Cllr Hart about the Educational S106 money from the Taylor Wimpey development, to see if it can be used in Wembury. Wembury School governors are to meet with Coombe Dean School governors to discuss this matter.

ii) WEMBURY WAR MEMORIAL VILLAGE HALL

This month's report had been circulated via email and was taken as read.

iii) LEISURE FACILITIES WORKING GROUPS

a) Discovering Wembury Book

The Chairman reported that he is having problems finalising the quotes for the revised book.

b) Recreation Facilities

i) Wembury Youth Club

Cllr Bennett reported that there may be a problem with the Youth Club in the Autumn as there has been no response for a temporary leader. A meeting has been arranged on 2 October in the Scout Hut where parents have been invited to contribute ideas as to how the Youth Club can function without a leader during the Autumn term.

ii) Wembury Recreation Ground

This matter was discussed earlier in the meeting.

A combined quote has been received from Elm Contractors, to fix the seat in the Wembury Recreation Ground to honour Cllr Squire, and to repair the damage to the football pitch. A discussion ensued about the cost. **Cllr Giles said that she would speak to her builder K**

King, who had indicated that he could do the work at a nominal cost. If this was confirmed, then it was agreed that the builder should do the work.

iii) Wembury Defibrillators

The sign indicating the location of the emergency telephone has been produced and will soon be installed on the side of the Wembury Beach defibrillator.

iv) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS

Cllr Packer reported on the enthusiastic public meeting held in Down Thomas on 22 September 2015 when the Steering Group was agreed and officers elected. Notes of the meeting have been circulated via email and a list of future meetings until the end of the year will be published shortly. The next meeting is on 12 October in Wembury.

The Clerk suggested that as the Steering Group would be driving the Neighbourhood Plan forward from now on, the notes produced and decisions taken at all the public meetings held so far, should now be ratified. Cllr Newnham proposed, seconded by Cllr Brown that the notes produced and decisions taken at all the public meetings about the Neighbourhood Plan held to date, are ratified by Wembury Parish Council. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: The notes produced and decisions taken at all the public meetings about the Neighbourhood Plan held to date, are ratified by Wembury Parish Council.

v) COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

a) Use of Emails & Facebook

Cllr Packer has prepared suitable Workshops regarding emails and use of Facebook and will circulate PowerPoint presentations for information and comments. The Clerk, Chairman and Cllr Brown have all volunteered their houses for holding the Workshops.

Members were asked to let Cllr Packer have suitable dates to run the Workshops.

b) Notice Boards

The Clerk reported that he had managed to find a joiner who had repaired all the 11 No Wembury Parish Council wooden Notice Boards and refixed the one at Wembury Point. Everyone thought that the work had been done well and the Notice Boards looked good. The Notice Board near the School and one in Heybrook Bay can now also be locked.

The Clerk reported that the total cost of all the repairs was £432.97. Cllr Newnham proposed, seconded by Cllr Packer that the expenditure of £432.97 for repairing all the 11 No Wembury Parish Council wooden Notice Boards is approved. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: The expenditure of £432.97 for repairing all the 11 No Wembury Parish Council wooden Notice Boards is approved.

15-121 FINANCIAL REPORTS

i) FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

The Chairman presented the financial report as per ANNEX C.

RESOLVED: The September 2015 Financial Statement is approved, as detailed at ANNEX C.

ii) TAP FUND CONTRACTS

a) Feasibility Study of Car Parking at Wembury Beach

The Clerk reported that the survey has gone really well. Wembury Marine Centre staff have finished distributing the survey sheets and are now analysing the results.

Cllr Brown felt that thanks to the Wembury Marine Centre staff should be recorded in the minutes. Everyone agreed that they had done an excellent job. **The Clerk to write to the Marine Centre staff accordingly.**

b) Highways Self Help Contract

The Clerk reported that although he had received reports from Cllrs Drought and Batley, the work they had identified was mainly verge cutting or hedge trimming, which is not part of this contract. **He asked for members to let him know of any work that is required to signs or footpaths within the parish so that he could put a small contract together.**

iii) GRANT REQUESTS

The Chairman reported on the grant request from the Wembury War Memorial Village Hall Committee of £500 towards the cost of shelving for the proposed book lending service proposed within the Village Hall. A short discussion followed. The Chairman proposed, seconded by Cllr Brown that the Wembury War Memorial Village Hall Committee is granted £500 towards the cost of shelving for the proposed book lending service within the Village Hall. The resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED: The Wembury War Memorial Village Hall Committee is granted £500 towards the cost of shelving for the proposed book lending service within the Village Hall.

15-122 EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

None.

The Chairman thanked all the councillors for their attendance and closed the meeting at 10.04 pm.

Roy Fairclough,
Clerk