

DITTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Incorporating the Hamlet of Capton and the Manors of Bozomzeal and Coombe

DRAFT Minutes of the monthly meeting of Dittisham Parish Council held in Dittisham Village Hall, on Wednesday 3 October 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Cllrs Tucker (Chairman), Faulkner (Vice-Chairman), Nightingale, Bond, Green, Munro, Westcott, and Quinn were present, as were Devon County Councillor Hawkins, three members public, and A Thom (Clerk).

Welcome

Cllr Tucker welcomed the newly co-opted Councillor Tony Westcott.

162/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Anderson.

163/18 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Westcott declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 8.1 (3113/18/HHO The Stables Chipton Barton Dittisham) and Cllr Tucker declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 7.1 (1708/18/NMM Cott Farm Barn).

164/18 Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2018.

It was resolved to approve the minutes.

165/18 Public Issues

165/18.1 Commemoration of WW1 Sunday 11 November 2018

Arrangements for Dittisham to participate in the national event to commemorate the centenary of the end of World War 1 were discussed. Cllr Tucker agrees to the lighting of the Armada beacon at 19:00. Cllr Green will formally ask the owner of the land. The Clerk will invite the naval cadets, ask a parishioner to play The Last Post at 18:55, and advertise to the Parish. The bell ringers will ring at 19:05 if there are sufficient ringers.

All are invited to the remembrance service in St Georges Church at 10:50 am.

165/18.2 Air Ambulance Night Landing Site - Fund Raising

A member of the public is leading fund raising. She reported she has received some pledges. The Football Club will donate half of its 2018 Christmas raffle proceeds. A donation will be received from the WI. She is liaising with Cllr Bond about the possibility of receiving funds from the Regatta. The Parish Charity will be needed as soon as possible.

The lighting column will need small committee to monitor it and to tell DAAT if The Ham is in use for an event. This notification to be added to the event booking process.

165/18.3 Charges to Enter The Ham Toilets

Cllr Tucker confirmed that SHDC has had to decide to introduce a charge to enter the toilets on The Ham. It is planned to take the shower out. It is expected that the cost of coin collection equipment will have a short payback period.

165/18.4 Manor Street Parking

Concerns were raised about parking of cars on the beach outside the Ferry Boat Inn, blocking Manor Street, and lorries in a line up the hill. Cllr Tucker agreed this is a long standing difficulty.

165/18.5 Rubbish on The Ham

Cllr Faulkner reported that rubbish was dumped over last weekend and that the bins in the car park have not been emptied. Cllr Tucker will chase emptying of bins. Dumped rubbish needs to be reported to SHDC as fly tipping. SHDC will investigate. If possible the offender will be fined or prosecuted.

165/18.6 The Parish of Dittisham Charity

The Charity needs a minimum of three trustees to commence registration with the Charities Commission. The resolution proposing that it go forward was carried. A member of the public volunteered to be an inaugural trustee and agreed DPC nominees are Cllr Sune Nightingale, another member of the public, and Cllr Munro if the member of the public is not able to accept.

166/18 Community Reports

166/18.1 Devon County Councillor

Deferred pending County Cllr Hawkins arrival after attending another PC meeting.

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166/18.2 South Hams District Council Councillor.

The Inspector of the proposed Local Plan has strengthened protection of the AONB from development and removed parishes from of the plan. There needs to be a demonstrated need for new housing. This restricts development in a large part of the South Hams and the National Park.

Production of a new five year plan has been started. The number of houses required will increase. New houses built need to be residents – not providing a service. Development in the countryside will be restricted. This affects the second stage of the Dartmouth project which extends into the AONB towards Stoke Fleming.

Cllr Hawkins entered the room.

166/18.3 Devon County Councillor

Devon County Cllr Hawkins said that confirmation of his local grant fund balance was pending. He will meet with John Hart [Leader of DCC] and Andrew Leadbetter [Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health Services] at Devon County Council tomorrow regarding provision of 6-8 beds in Dartmouth.

167/18 Signs to Direct Long HGVs to Cornworthy

It was resolved to accept the final draft signs proposed by DCC and to approve expenditure with five councillors in favour. DCC has refused DPC's request for different wording, Cllr Faulkner suggested a discussion with Cornworthy Parish Council and to ask for a CPC contribution. The Clerk is to thank Blackness Marine for its financial contribution.

168/18 Communications in relation to planning/tree applications.

- 1708/18/NMM Cott Farm Barn Dittisham Devon TQ6 0JQ. Non Material Amendment of Planning Consent 18/1015/09/F (Re- Configuration of barn and provision of new windows). Conditional Approval.
- 2345/18/CLE Kiln Lyon Lower Street Dittisham Devon TQ6 0HY. Application for a lawful development certificate for an existing use or operation for compliance with condition 1 (commencement of works) of planning consent 18/0230/15/F. Conditional Approval.
- 1567/18/FUL 181567 Former Site Of Kiln Lyon Lower Street Dittisham TQ6 0HY. Erection of a replacement dwelling and garage building with associated landscape works. Withdrawn.

169/18 New planning/tree applications.

- 3113/18/HHO The Stables Chipton Barton Dittisham TQ6 0HW. Householder application for alterations to property to provide new covered car port with storage, extension to barn and associated landscaping works.

Cllr Westcott left the room

Support (proposed Cllr Faulkner, seconded Cllr Nightingale, unanimous, Cllr Tucker abstained as standard because he participates at SHDC level).

Cllr Tucker will invite Senior Planning Officer Patrick Whymer to speak to DPC on planning process. Cornworthy and Blackawton Parish Council's will be invited.

170/18 Consultations

- South Devon AONB 2014-2019 Management Plan. Closes 5 November 2018. Noted. No formal DPC comment.

171/18 Level Car Park Trees

Cllr Faulkner summarised the problem with two large branches falling from the oak tree in The Level Car Park over a period of weeks, smaller branches falling from the two ashes and other works required, and the quotes obtained as requested by the September meeting of DPC. The quotes were not projected or businesses named. It was agreed that Bay Tree Services would be asked to carry out the work.

The possibility of being able to use some of the wood for a parish project was discussed. Cllr Green will assess.

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172/18 Old Chapel Burial Ground Title

Work done towards resolution of encroachment problem was discussed including a site visit with both lawyers involved. It was unanimously resolved that all costs are to be absorbed by the owner of The Chapel. If this is agreed, the next step is to arrange independent valuation.

173/18 Dittisham Charity

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting.

174/18 Reports from Councillors with Specific Responsibilities / External Forums

174/18.1 Ham Events

Cllr Faulkner reported on the 2018 event and considers it the best to date. There were some minor issues and some traffic blockages. Cllr Bond was also pleased with the running of the event.

Cllr Tucker declared a disclosable pecuniary interest and left the room

OSS' request for a long-term agreement and agreed dates to 2021 was deferred until event parking can be established. In principle DPC is keen to support the event. It was resolved to refund the deposit for the hire of The Ham.

174/18.2 Playground

Blackawton Primary School is having a competition to name the galleon. It is expected the naming ceremony will be on a weekend ideally with games and live music. The Working Group will continue to work out the arrangements.

174/18.3 Communications

The new domain name will be: dittishamparish.co.uk (dittishamparish.com will also be purchased).

The new email address format firstnamesurname@

The Clerk has renewed the existing domain name for 24 months to meet the renewal deadline.

The Communications Working Group will work with the designer to finalise the new website.

175/18 Parish Maintenance

- It was resolved to authorise expenditure of up to £194.22 for supplies to paint the Capton Kiosk as circulated.
- Two new signs in the Manor Street Turning Bay
DCC has not approved the proposed signs.
The Clerk will request that DCC enforcement team attend from time to time and enforce the double yellow lines. A record of photos of cars parked illegally to be kept.
- 'Unsuitable for motor vehicles sign' near Barberry Farm
To be reported to DCC.
- Approval of expenditure for material to repair The Ham flapper valve.
Expenditure of up to £50 was authorised.

176/18 Financial Matters

176/18.1 Financial Report.

The report which showed a balance of £80,707.85 and unearmarked reserves of £31,838.59 was approved.

176/18.2 Payments Made, Due and Received

The following payments were approved:

- LCP Lender, 2018 Level Car Park loan instalment £5,000.00
- S Quinn, Condolence Book & loose leaf refills £121.94
- Clerk, September pay, overtime & pension £703.13
- HMRC, PAYE £24.60
- Clerk, CE23 Contract Signs, stamps, gift £81.03
- D Hallett, lengthsman services 1/4-31/8/18 £144.00 (TAP Grant Fund shared with Blackawton Parish Council)

The following urgent payment made was noted:

- JBH Haulage aggregate £60.00

The following payment received was noted:

- SHDC Second precept instalment £5,909.50

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176/18.3 Clerk Overtime – The claim DPC08 was approved. Cllrs Faulkner and Nightingale will liaise regarding a management plan.

177/18 Correspondence

177/18.1 *For information*

- Devon and Cornwall Alert Service provided by Devon and Cornwall Police <https://alerts.dc.police.uk/>
- South Dartmoor Community Energy – Energy advice service, presents to groups or individuals.
- 25/9/18 Launch of Dartmouth Together. Meeting 10 October 6.30 p.m., Dartmouth Academy. New initiative to improve the integration of voluntary services in our community.

177/18.2 *Received*

- 11/9/18 South West Water Response regarding noise, odour and repairs to Ham Lane.
- Email 26/9/18 Dog poo on pavements and roads in the village - circulate

178/18 Next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of Dittisham Parish Council will be on 7 November 2018 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting closed at 21 53.