

UGBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 14th October 2010 at 7.30pm
Committee Room, Ugborough Village Hall

Cllr John Baverstock, Chairman South Hams District Council discussed his involvement with the Children's Trust Board and expressed concern at cuts in the children services budget. The Localism Bill would devolve decision-making to communities, but Cllr Baverstock queried what level of community would take on these responsibilities. Finally, Parish Councillors were thanked for their role in being the local eyes and ears of the community.

Report from County Cllr Mumford was read by the Clerk, who reminded the Parish Council that the £500 locality budget support was still available to the Parish

Report from District Cllr Fielden, who reminded Councillors that he and Cllr Lawrence each held £1000 grant funding for use in the area and the Clerk would apply for funding to repair the Conduit. SHDC was awaiting the announcement on Government funding before setting next year's budget. Feedback on the presentation of data in The Knowledge was requested.

Report from District Cllr Lawrence was read by the Clerk, in which he highlighted issues in the Draft Local Allocations Policy and the Site Allocation DPD proposals

Police Report Three crimes were recorded in September and, with the value of metal rising, incidents of theft were increasing. An on-line facility was now available to report minor crimes and the Clerk would provide details in the Newsletter.

Councillors complained about motorbikes speeding through Bittaford at 10.30-11.30pm and WPC Hopper called for witnesses to report details. Cllrs Daniels and Taylor offered to establish a Community Speedwatch, which would record details, with warnings issued.

Questions from the Public

1. Site Allocation DPD. A representative from Tall Oak Homes outlined its submission, while some parishioners expressed a preference for the proposed housing to be spread over a number of sites to the north of Ugborough.
2. Concern was expressed that the Licensing application at Moorhaven Clubhouse would adversely affect local businesses, such as the Horse & Groom ph and Bittaford Village Hall, and would result in increased traffic along Bittaford Hill. If the Clubhouse applied for an extension of time after 11pm, the local community may suffer disturbance. The Clerk would convey these concerns to SHDC.
3. Cllr Johns and his brother Dion kindly offered to remove the dead tree from the Square and the tree stump from the church verge. Cllr Fox would investigate replacing the trees and an item would be placed on the November agenda.
4. A complaint had been received about the state of repair of the bench in Bittaford playground and the Clerk confirmed that she had inspected the bench and it was in reasonable order.

Ugborough Primary School Report – Ian McClure, School Governor The consultation on the proposed federation with Ermington School would be completed on the 9th November and very few objections had been received. Ermington Primary School Headteacher Jane Byrne would become the Joint Head, and it was felt that both schools had the same ethos, were evenly matched, with a high level of contact already.

A Pre-school was still needed for the village and to support the viability of the school, and therefore the school supported the provision of additional housing proposed in the Site Allocation DPD and the provision of a level site adjacent to the school for community and preschool use.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Beable (Vice Chairman), Daniels, Fox, Johns, Lloyd, Taylor, D Wakeham; District Cllr Fielden, SHDC Chairman Cllr Baverstock, WPC Hopper & 7 member of the public

10.108 Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllrs Abraham, Holway & L Wakeham; DCC Cllr Mumford & SHDC Cllr Lawrence

10.109 Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda were noted from Cllr Daniels: Items 10.112 Personal (residence) & 10.116.12 Prejudicial (adjoining owner); & Cllr Beable: Item 10.117.2 Personal (relation)

10.110 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9th September 2010, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Vice Chairman

10.111 Finance

1. Cheques approved for payment:

Cheque	Description	VAT	Gross
1314	S Woodman – Sept pay		212.68
1315	S Woodman expenses: Office £38.43, Travel £33.60	0.68	72.03
1316	HMRC - PAYE		526.94
1317	Cutting Crew	39.20	263.20
1318	Transfer to Alliance & Leicester		4000.00
Receipt	Description	VAT	Gross
500001	Coop – Cannon memorial (part payment)		36.00
500002	Beable plot & memorial		150.00
BGC	SHDC - Precept		6000.00
BGC	Alliance & Leics - Interest		1.89

2. The Financial Statement was received

Lloyds Current Account to 24.9.10	624.37
<i>Less</i> payments & unrepresented cheques	5450.02
<i>Plus</i> uncleared receipts	6150.00
Total	1324.35
<i>Plus:</i> Alliance & Leicester Acc to 5.8.10	11275.49
<i>Plus</i> uncleared receipts	4002.85
Total	16602.69

Earmarked Reserves

P.3 grant	973.57
Prize money for parish map	300.00
Total	1,273.57

Total uncommitted funds £15329.12

10.112 Moorhaven Playing Field – A disappointing response to the revised proposals had been received from DNPA Planning Officer Joanna Burgess. Cllr Fielden would discuss the matter with the DNPA Chairman.

10.113 Conduit Renovation: Resolved to accept the quotation of £4700 received from RGL Construction to undertake the work The Clerk would apply to Cllrs Fielden and Lawrence for grant funding

10.114 Ugborough House – No response had been received from the National Trust with regard to purchasing land for a community amenity space

10.115 War memorial – Cllr Fox would arrange the cleaning

10.116 Planning Applications

- Erection of a greenhouse at Owley Farm, Wrangaton Ref 0442/10 Mr A Hurrell **No objection**
- Works to trees in a Conservation Area: Fell Leylandii & reduce crown, thin out Maple at 6 Lutterburn St, Ugborough Ref 57/2062/10/TCA **No objection**
- Repair and re-cover two existing polytunnels (each 19m x 6.7m) at Mammoth Trees, Wrangaton Road, South Brent Ref 0495/10 Mrs S Nicholson **Support**
- Erection of wooden hanging business sign at Mammoth Trees, Wrangaton Road, South Brent Ref 0496/10 Mrs S Nicholson **Support**
- New access track (53m x 3m) at Mammoth Trees, Wrangaton Road, South Brent Ref 0500/10 Mrs S Nicholson **Support**
- Work to tree subject to TPO 3045 Lower Lords Wood, Bittaford Ref 57/2271/10/TW **No objection**

Planning Decisions – Noted

- Siting of a portakabin prior to completion of the approved cafe (0162/08) or for five years, whichever is soonest at Cheston Farm Equestrian Centre, Wrangaton Ref 0347/10 **Conditional permission**
- Permission to replace extant planning consent 57/0957/07/F for the erection of barn containing three stables, storage & wash down point at Field at SX665 559, N/NW of Toby Cross, Ugborough Ref 57/1439/10/F **Conditional permission**

Conditional permission

- Variation of condition 1 of planning application 57/0882/10/MIN (accord with plans) of planning consent 57/2133/07/F for erection of two dwellings at The Trotters, Lutterburn Street, Ugborough Ref 57/1403/10/F **Conditional permission**

Conditional permission

- Conversion of redundant mill to dwelling and erection of garage at Earlscombe Farm, Bittaford Ref 57/0927/10/F **Conditional permission**
- Erection of external storeroom to side elevation of existing building for the purposes of housing water treatment equipment at Ivybridge Cadet Centre, Filham Park, Ivybridge Ref 57/1751/10/F **Conditional permission**
- General purpose barn for dry storage and machinery (15m x 10m) at Field adjacent 3 Leigh Close, Bittaford Ref 0418/10 **Withdrawn**

Planning Correspondence

- Enforcement at West Cutwellwall Farm – SHDC Enforcement Officer Rick Crombie did not propose, at this stage, to start formal enforcement action as the landowner was rectifying matters under SHDC guidance.

10.117 Correspondence received

1. SHDC Budget Consultation Meeting, Follaton House 24 November 6.30pm – No one would attend
2. SHDC: Site Allocations DPD Examination – Inspectors’ Hearing timetable. Hearing statements may be submitted until 18.10.10. Tall Oak Homes was proposing 45 dwellings, public open space, village car park and footpath/cycle access to the village centre, with access to the site through Undertown.

Resolved to respond, supporting the Parish Council’s previous submission, and objecting to the proposed access through Undertown as it would make an existing traffic problem worse. Access to Whitehouse Hill would be preferred with, in the long run, a route around the back of the school to the northern edge of the village.

Draft Local Allocations Policy: Resolved to support the revised policy, subject to 50% of *all* vacancies in the existing general housing stock being allocated to those with a housing need and a connection to the parish.

3. SHDC: The Knowledge - Noted
4. DNPA Recreation & Access Strategy Consultation – The Clerk would respond that the playing field proposals at Moorhaven should receive more support
5. DCC: Winter service on Devon’s Highways – Questionnaire completed
6. Resignation by Cllr Bremridge – The Clerk would request nominations in the Newsletter with a view to filling the vacancy at the December meeting.
7. DCC: Response to Parish Council feedback on changes to mobile library service. The Clerk would include details in the Newsletter of the Home Library Service, which was available to parishioners who were physically unable to travel to the local library
8. Ugborough Primary School: Proposed federation of Ugborough & Ermington Community Primary Schools – The Parish Council would express its support for the proposal
9. DALC Training: Finance Budgets & Precepts, Kenn 2nd November; Pre-election briefing South Brent 9th November; Data information & dealing with the press, Plymouth 25th October – No one would attend
10. DNPA Forum 2.15pm 26.11.10 Parke – an agenda item would be requested suggesting a more proactive approach to moving forward the community initiative at Moorhaven Playing Field. Cllr Holway would be asked to attend the DNPA Forum on the 26th November
11. SLCC: Services provided and benefits of membership - Noted

10.118 Reports on Meetings attended Cllr Holway attended: 1) A meeting with Steve Mason, SHDC concerning the cleansing service, and feedback was requested on the new working arrangements; 2) The Emergency Planning Event at Glazebrook, and Councillors were reminded that the Parish needed an Emergency Plan; and 3) Extreme Events Conference at the Met Office, which stressed that motorists should always carry shovels, torches, warm clothes, blankets, food & drink and a full tank of fuel if they set out when there is a chance of snow.

10.119 Correspondence available at the Meeting – Noted

1. SHDC Agenda & Minutes, The Knowledge & Ward Profiles
2. Dartmoor Access Forum, Annual Report 2009
3. Village Green, Sept 2010
4. DALC Newsletter, July/Aug & Sept/Oct 2010
5. The Clerk, Sept 2010
6. DCC: Travelling in winter 2009/2010
7. SW Ambulance Service NHS: Twentyfourseven, Summer 2010
8. National Housing Federation: Affordable housing keeps villages alive
9. Trade publications

Meeting ended 10.00pm

Date of next Meeting 11.11.10