



Doddiscombsleigh Parish Council
Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday 3 February 2022
at 7.30 pm at Woodah Farm

Present: Cllr S Burdge (Chair), Cllr J Sawyer, Cllr M Moorhouse, Cllr Hole and 1 member of the public

Clerk: A Miller

As the Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr Turney was not present, Cllr Burdge was unanimously elected to chair the meeting.

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Turney and Cllr Davis

2 Declarations of Interest / Requests for Dispensations

None.

3 Ratification of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Ordinary Council meeting of 13 January 2022

Resolved Unanimously accepted as a true record.

4 Planning Matters

4.1 To Note Planning Decisions

None.

4.2 To Discuss Planning Applications

22/00021/AGR Land At Ngr 285479 85963, Mistleigh

Erection of two forestry buildings

Resolved The parish Council appreciated that the applicant followed the correct procedure by sending an agricultural notification to the Planning Authority, but the Parish Council decided to raise a concern regarding the timing of the application. It is not possible to use the proposed buildings for their intended purpose for about a decade, because the forest was only recently planted. The necessity for the buildings needs to be reviewed in due course.

5 Finance

5.1 Report

The Clerk reported that the bank balance at 31 January 2022 was £4,317.45. After deducting the amount of earmarked funds and grants, the general reserve was £1,164.67.

5.2 Approval of Expenditure

Venue hire £10.00

Resolved The Council unanimously approved the expenditure.

6 To Discuss the Celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

6.1 Jubilee Fete

Resolved It was unanimously agreed to form a Working Group with Cllr Burdge and Cllr Hole to help organize an event on the Platinum Jubilee weekend. The Working Group will work together with the Village Fete Committee.

6.2 Jubilee Mugs

The Parish Council discussed different options for Jubilee mugs and selected the design which appears at the Appendix to these Minutes.

Resolved The Parish Council agreed to organize Jubilee mugs for the Parish and to order 200 Jubilee mugs with the chosen design and a unique text for Doddiscombsleigh. The Jubilee mugs will be presented to children aged 16 and under. Adults can contribute to the cost of the Jubilee celebrations by obtaining a Jubilee mug for £5. A leaflet will be distributed to every household to ascertain how many children aged 16 and under are in the Parish and how many adults would like to contribute to the Jubilee celebration by obtaining a Jubilee mug.

Proposed Cllr Sawyer Seconded Cllr Hole All agreed

Clerk to clarify details and design a leaflet.

(Note: after the meeting the Clerk checked the regulations and it is not possible for a parish council to ask a higher contribution for a mug than the original price even if the project eventually will not make a profit.)

7 To Receive Reports and Updates

7.1 Highways Update

The Council's lengthsman has cleared the drains around the bus shelter and he is continuing to work on the agreed list of areas.

7.2 Telephone Box Project Update

Cllr Hole reported that so far £680 has been raised for the telephone box refurbishment and further donations are expected. The work can commence when the weather is warmer. It was suggested that a historical archive could be housed in the refurbished telephone box, creating a "History Box" in the village. Jan Middleton has a lot of information about the history of the village. It was agreed to contact her for suggestions regarding the display. A member of the public recommended to move the telephone box to the Triangle. Cllr Hole agreed to inquire about this option.

7.3 Flagpole Project Update

The Clerk reported that after clarifying details of the installation, the company asked a further £55+VAT for removing the old pole. The total cost of the project would be £1,186.75. Devon Highways had no objection against replacing the pole.

7.4 Fir Tree Project Update

Cllr Sawyer and Cllr Hole volunteered to apply the fertilizer following expert advice.

8 To Discuss a Possible Comment on the Following Applications

22/00019/DCC Lower Brenton Farm, Kennford

Consultation from Devon County Council on county matter application for provision of temporary construction, demolition and excavation waste recycling facility; importation and landfilling of approximately 1.2 million cu.m of inert waste materials; and associated works

including the installation of drainage infrastructure and alterations to existing vehicular accesses (DCC ref AHX/DCC/4268/2021)

And AHX/DCC/4268/2021

The Parish Council discussed the application and the following points were raised.

- Concerns were raised regarding the pre-application process and the lack of public consultation. It was not the first case in Devon/Teignbridge when a local community was unaware that a landfill site was planned in their area.
- The development was not mentioned in the Teignbridge Local Plan Review Part 2 document, which was consulted during the summer.
- Concerns regarding the loss of agricultural land and recreational area, effect on wildlife and carbon emission and effect on the landscape in an area of Great Landscape Value.

Resolved The Parish Council agreed to raise their concerns with MP Mel Stride, Environmental Health and HRH The Prince of Wales. Proposed Cllr Burge Seconded Cllr Hole All agreed

9 Clerk's Correspondence

The Parish Council was contacted regarding a showman caravan on the field at the beginning of the footpath to Ashton. At the meeting the Council was assured that the caravan is there to undergo a refurbishment and it is not used as a residence.

The Clerk asked the Council to agree her attendance on an SLCC course about planning issues, costing £30+VAT. The Council supported the Clerk's training.

10 Date of Next Meeting

10 March 2022

The Chair thanked everybody for their participation. She expressed the Council's appreciation of the outgoing Cllr Hanson's contribution to the Parish Council's work and recommended that the Council formally thank her.

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.19 pm.

Signed.....

Chair

Date

APPENDIX

Jubilee mug design

