



**ROCKBEARE
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**MINUTES OF ROCKBEARE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY 2019
AT
MARSH GREEN VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Cllr Jeremy Wollen (Chairman) and Cllrs: Colin Please, Jonathan Allen, Mark Readman, Simon Brodie

Also, in attendance – Cllr Ray Bloxham (DCC), Cllr Sarah Randall Johnson (DCC) and seven members of the public.

Parish Clerk: Carolyn Y. May

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Ron Forrest

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

Public Participation Session:

Mr Aiden Doherty and Mr Mark Lennox attended the meeting, on behalf of POWER, a local residents group established in Whimble, to address the proposals (consultation) relating to the Cranbrook Extension Plan.

The group has produced a leaflet, which has been distributed to more than 800 homes in the area. The document lists (inter alia) the planning points upon which an objection can be made, in relation to the application. This action has resulted in over 500 letters being sent to EDDC, in relation to the consultation.

The group has also instructed a Planning Solicitor and launched a Crowd Funding appeal to raise monies.

Mr Doherty stressed that the group was not anti-Cranbrook, rather, they oppose the development of large towns, without the provision of suitable infrastructure.

It was **agreed** that the Group would liaise with Cllr Mark Readman, in order to keep the Parish Council apprised of any relevant developments.

Mrs Mary Pipe raised the matter of the potential danger posed from a rotting willow tree at the entrance to Cherry Tree Close. The road is unadopted and it was decided that it would be necessary to determine who the land belongs to.

Mr John Ward-Wyatt reported that he had removed 190 beer cans from the bank at Gribble Lane. These had apparently been dumped in plastic bags some time ago.

Mr Ward-Wyatt also requested to know if the whole of London Road could be limited to a speed of 40 mph, as the speed of the traffic can be dangerous. Cllr Bloxham (DCC) advised the meeting that a recent report (to be provided to the Clerk), highlighted a number of matters currently being addressed in relation to speed. Report attached at 'A'

AGENDA

433.0 MINUTES

433.1 The Minutes of the last meeting of Rockbeare Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 19th June 2019** at Marsh Green Village Hall were considered.

433.2 It was **proposed** by Cllr Please, **seconded** by Cllr Allan and **RESOLVED** that the minutes for the meeting held on 19th June 2019 would be approved and signed as a correct record of that meeting. Unanimous. **Carried.**

434.0 REPORTS

Chairman's Report

434.1 The Chairman reported that he had, on the 10th July 2019, attended a meeting of the Airport Consultative Committee. The first agenda item related to the determination of those who are qualified to attend the meetings. It was agreed that any group within 1.5 miles of the airport, or who lived under the flightpath, was entitled to send a representative to the meetings.

434.2 Matt Roach, General Manager of the Airport, reported that passenger numbers continued to increase, partly due to new Ryanair routes to Naples and elsewhere.

434.3 A Flybe Representative reported that the past few months had been somewhat turbulent. A new CEO has been appointed and a substantial amount of planning and logistical strategies being developed. Connect Airways is the current working title of the organisation – until a more permanent name is decided upon. Therefore, re-branding and livery changes will occur once the new name has been agreed.

434.4 It is not yet clear if other airlines will take on Flybe's jet routes out of Exeter (ie Majorca and Malaga) but the Airport Management hopes that this will happen.

434.5 Three aircraft noise complaints have been received.

Broadband Speed

434.6 Cllr Bloxham (DCC) reported that CDS (Connecting Devon and Somerset) is engaging with the market to test options and opportunities to extend broadband coverage, including gigabit access and is working alongside Government in developing and rolling out its Rural Connectivity Programme. The report, which was submitted to DCC Corporate, Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee on 25 June 2019, is attached at 'B'.

435.0 PLANNING

435.1 PA19/1549/CM – Rockbeare Hill Quarry

435.2 Members discussed this matter and it was **agreed** that there would be no objection to the same.

436.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- 436.1 The Clerk read out a letter from TRIP Community Transport, which was requesting a funding donation.
- 436.2 It was **agreed** that the Clerk should contact TRIP and request that they make a specific request to the Council, detailing the sum sought and the purpose of the same. The Parish Council would like to be advised of the services provided to Rockbeare/ Marsh Green parishioners.

437.0 BUSINESS & FINANCE

- 437.1 The monthly payments schedule was considered and approved, with one additional sum (Clerks Remuneration). It was proposed by Cllr Please, seconded by Cllr Wollen and RESOLVED that the schedule of payments would be approved. Unanimous. **Carried.**

438.0 DEVON BANK REMOVAL

- 438.1 It was reported that a Parishioner in Marsh Green has removed part of the Devon Bank, at the junction of the village road and Quartermile Lane, to permit the creation of a parking space at the householder's property. This action was undertaken without the proper Planning Authority. Further to the removal of the bank, the householder has erected a wooden fence on top of the remaining Devon Bank. The fence exceeds the appropriate height limit and is restricting the view of road users and pedestrians. It was suggested that the fencing presents a danger and that the matter should be reported to Highways (DCC) and EDDC (Planning).

The fencing does not meet with the Rockbeare Neighbourhood Plan (Policy02), nor have the appropriate considerations been adhered to.

It was **agreed** that the Clerk should correspond with DCC and EDDC on these matters.

439.0 Signage

- 439.1 Cllr Allen reported that a flagpole has been erected by Burrington Estates, on the opposite side of the road from the development in Rockbeare. He added that no Planning Permission had been sought for the same. Other Members of the Parish Council alluded to additional, large advertising boards having been placed by Burrington Estates around the Parish (and within the Whimple Parish Boundary).
- 439.2 It was **agreed** the Clerk would report these matters to EDDC Planning Department, for action.

440.0 FLOODING UPDATE

- 440.1 Mr Ivan Randall reported that the agreed Feasibility Study was now in hand.

The Meeting Closed at 20.20 hrs.

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