MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
12 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30pm

Present:
Cllr K Hamlyn (Chairman)
Cllr M Bolton
Cllr A Nicholson
Cllr C MacKenzie
Cllr R Nicholson
Cllr B Jewell
Cllr G Thorne

In Attendance:
Clerk Mrs A Jones
Mr and Mrs Williamson
Ms Williamson
Mrs V Grey
Mr and Mrs A Smith

1. PUBLIC SESSION
1.1 The Chairman welcomed all. The Chairman took this opportunity to Thank Cllr MacKenzie for putting the Soldiers in place for Remembrance of those lost at War.

2. RECEIVING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.
2.1 PCSO M James
2.2 Cllr I Rixon
2.3 Cllr M Stanbury
2.4 Cllr P Watson
2.5 Cllr B Parsons

3. MINUTES
3.1 Minutes of last meeting on 8th October 2019 agreed 1st Cllr A Nicholson and 2nd Cllr G Thorne. All Councillors agreed minutes to be a true record and the Chairman has signed.

4. RECEIVING CLERK’S REPORT AND REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE.
4.1 Climate Change Emergency – Tom Dixon of Devon County Council would like to know if Parish Councils would like to Declare a Climate Change Emergency. This would entail in spreading the word and to be registered with Devon County Council at the moment as this is only in the early stages of the process. Councillors are happy to sign up to show support.
4.2 Police Report – Holsworthy Rural Policing Update 1/9/19 – 31/10/19:
ASHWATER: Burglary – other than dwelling
BRADWORTHY: Drive motor vehicle while alcohol above legal limit. Vehicle interference. Use threatening words or behaviour to cause harassment
BRIDGERULE: Burglary – other than dwelling. Make off without making payment. Harassment without violence
HOLSWORTHY HAMLETS: Make off without making payment.
MILTON DAMEREL: Attempted burglary – other than dwelling. Make off without making payment. Burglary - dwelling
PYWORTHY: Burglary from shed. Drive motor vehicle while alcohol above legal limit. Theft of electric fencing unit. Criminal damage to garden wall
SHEEPWASH: Use threatening/abusive/insulting words or behaviour
TETCOTT: Use threatening/abusive/insulting words or behaviour. Harassment without violence

There are a few burglaries on the update this time, but at this point we do not believe they are connected, and it should be remembered that this report covers a 2 month period. We do, of course, advise members of the public to always be vigilant, and to contact us if you see anything suspicious, either by calling 999 if it is ongoing, or by calling or emailing 101 if the information is non-urgent. Thank you.

This month we would like to bring your attention to the Devon & Cornwall Alert service. Devon and Cornwall Alert is a two way community messaging system operated by Devon and Cornwall Police. The system helps us to connect with our communities, it tells people what is happening in their area and allows them to respond directly with any information.
The system is designed to allow people who register to choose the type of information they would like to receive concerning crime and anti-social behaviour, witness appeals, crime prevention, community events and local good news. Subscribers will not be notified about every crime or incident that happens in their community. Our aim is to send relevant information where we believe to do so will reduce the opportunity for crime and anti-social behaviour or will help Devon and Cornwall Police solve a crime.

Members of our community can sign up via the Devon & Cornwall Police website, or by contacting the Holsworthy team. If you have an incident to report, don’t hesitate to ring the Police on 101, or email 101@dc.police.uk for non-emergencies. Always call 999 if you see a crime taking place.

4.3 Advisory Meeting Holsworthy: This is taking place on 2nd December with John Hart Attending.

4.4 Merton: The Chairman and Clerk attended Highways Conference at Merton on 16th October 2019.

4.5 Crowd Funding: Ali Boyd has informed the Clerk and Chairman of Grants available for up to £300.00 for Local Community Groups which are new or established. Councillors would like to ask the Community if they would like a new activity and if so what.

5. REceiving Report of Planning Sub-Committee

5.1 Planning – No applications have been received during this period.


6.1 Broadband – Clerk has emailed Cllr Parsons asking him to contact Matt Barrow as he still has not contact the Clerk regarding Broadband.

6.2 Dog Bin – The Dog Bin has now been installed and Clerk has received invoice from TDC.

6.3 Tipple Cross – The Council is of the understanding that the Enforcement Officer has visited the site and has also written to the Land owner. This situation is still ongoing.

6.4 Speeding Petition – This has now to be collected and to present it to Devon County Council.

6.5 Bench Sladesmoor – NFA at the moment.

6.6 Air Ambulance – NFA at the moment.

6.7 Volunteers for Speed Watch – No volunteers have come forward.

6.8 Box’s Shop – A couple of reports have been made to the Parish Council regarding the down pipe of the newly developed barns at Box’s Shop. The water from the down pipe runs across the pavement and onto the road. Concerns are held that when the cold weather arrives this will freeze and be a hazard to those using the pavement and the passing traffic. Box’s Shop Cottage has also reported a larger amount of water running down the road, and as a result flooded their front of house. Chairman to contact Mr Brockman of TDC to assist.

6.9 Grant – The Chairman Thanked Cllr Watson for the Grant towards the Village Skittle Alley roof. Much appreciated by all.

7. Finances

7.1 Authorisations of Expenses – Proposed 1st Cllr S Trusler 2nd Cllr A Nicholson
- A Jones Rm Rent Ink Mileage £ 67.44
- Torridge District Council Dog Bin £142.94
- Devon Communities Together Housing Need Survey £300.00
- D Genders Grass Cuts £1206.00

7.2 Current Account - as of 17 October 2019 £10405.60

7.3 Monthly Budget Sheet - Papers will be given to the Councillors for their information.

8. Next Meetings

8.1 Next Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 10 December 2019 7.30pm.

Meeting ended at 815pm.