

DEAN PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 20th July 2020 at 7.00pm. **Via ZOOM**

Present – Cllrs Bailey Chew , Rutley , Thorn and Wetherall
Dist Cllrs Guy Pannell and Smerdon , Cathie Pannell (DNPA) and C Cllr Richard Hosking
& the Clerk , Karen Gilbert

Cathie Pannell (DNPA)

Mrs Pannell advised that she had attended a Virtual meeting of the Dartmoor Rural Crime committee at which fly tipping was discussed and that as a consequence , she now had a useful contact should this occur in the Parish . She also commented on the ongoing unauthorised camp at Venford

Dist Cllr Guy Pannell (SHDC) - Full report available from Clerk

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Dist Cllr Peter Smerdon (SHDC & DNPA) - Full report available from the Clerk

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County Cllr Richard Hosking - Full report available from the Clerk

- The most recent revision of the bus timetable for the area is accessible on the following link.
http://www.devonbustimetables.info/south_hams_new/
- The Devon County Council outturn is showing a small Revenue surplus of £33,000. This is a very satisfactory result for a challenging period of account, and we all hope this will continue to the end of the financial year.
- Ivybridge Library is due to reopen on 27th July 2020. They are currently operating an online order and library collect book borrowing system. The membership of the e-books service has increased from 300 to 2,300 subscribers in the period of Coronavirus.
- The restrictions for people shielded from Coronavirus has relaxed since 6th July. As a consequence we will be ceasing the Food Box Programme from 31st July.
This scheme supported 2.2 million people nationwide including 33,000 in Devon.
- Devon County Council have now published their Local Outbreak Management Plan that will become operational in the event of an identified outbreak of Coronavirus. We all hope we will not have to use it.
- Devon has been very fortunate to date in that the number of reported cases has been just 1,100 and 125 have succumbed to the virus. We hope to keep it that way. Compulsory wearing of masks in shops and supermarkets is due to be introduced from 24th July.

Cllr Bailey asked about the Sustrans Cycle link from Ivybridge to Ashburton and whether there were any plans to consult Dean Prior with regard to the part passing through the Parish . Cllr Hosking advised he would make suitable enquiries

20/07/01V- Apologies for absence - None

20/07/02V- Approval of Minutes

Approved and signed as a true and accurate record , the Minutes of the regular meeting held on 17th June 2020

20/07/03V- Declarations of Interest - None. Dispensation requests - None

20/07/04V Clerks Report

The Clerk advised that she had reported the blocked drainage in the road opposite the Village Hall - the job was scheduled to be carried out but the exact date was unknown

She also advised that she had sent cards to the family of Neil Harrison and also to Kay Mabin who along with her team, had played a great part in the Community Help project during the lockdown for Covid19

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk write following the recent consultation, to request that the BT box is not removed. It is relatively well used and useful in the event of an accident / blockage on the A38

ACTION : CLERK TO REQUEST THAT THE BT BOX REMAIN IN WORKING ORDER IN DEAN PRIOR

20/07/05V Planning

0425/20/FUL - SOUTH HAMS PLANNING

TOLCHARD COTTAGE, DEAN PRIOR - PROPOSED BARN COVERSION

It was **NOTED** that Highways England and also Devon Highways had no objection to this application - the determination was awaited in the near future

20/07/06V - Finance

a) **Approval of cheques** - **APPROVED** by all by show of hands

Karen Gilbert - expenses/ home allowance / stationery/ mileage plus bal of 06/20 salary
reimbursement of 2019 election expenses £191.92

20/07/07V Highway matters

The Chair asked Devon County Cllr Richard Hosking what progress had been made with regard to the 30mph limit - Cllr Hosking regretted that other matters had taken precedent but that he would continue to pursue

It was **NOTED** that two electric charging points were in the process of being installed in Ashburton

20/07/08V - Parish Council admin - NONE

20/07/09V- Correspondence - most correspondence had been emailed during the month.

20/07/10 V Councillors business for next agenda - NONE

20/07/11V - Date/time of next meeting 7th September at 7pm via Zoom

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.40 pm