

DEAN PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting Held on
MONDAY 4th July 2022 at 7.00pm.** in the Village Hall in Dean Prior

Present – Cllrs Rutley , Thorn (Chair) and Wetherall
Clerk - Karen Gilbert. Dist Cllr Smerdon and County Cllr Thomas

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

Full reports available from the Clerk - all reports circulated to Councillors in advance
Cllr Smerdon , as Parishioner , commented on the appalling state of the road to Pennywell
He was advised that he and concerned users should report this online - which he confirmed he would do .

ACTION : CLERK TO REPORT HIGHWAY ISSUES AT PENNYWELL

DEVON COUNTY - CLLR DAN THOMAS

Lower-income households invited to apply for free energy efficiency improvements to their homes

Residents in a household with an income of less than £30,000 a year, who live in Devon or Torbay, may be eligible for free energy efficiency improvements to their home worth thousands of pounds.

From this week members of the public can check their eligibility and apply through the Cosy Devon website (www.cosydevon.com).

Your voice matters...

What would a great future for children and young people in Devon look like to you?

Get creative and share your ideas:
➡ devon.cc/wish-for-devon

Devon County Council

Get involved in making a Child Friendly Devon

As part of our ambition to create an even better place for children and young people to grow up in – a **Child Friendly Devon**, we are creating a new visual identity and vision to bring Child Friendly Devon to life.

We want to hear the views of as many people as possible to help us shape a Child Friendly Devon, especially the thoughts and ideas of children and young people, parents, carers and guardians. The thoughts and opinions shared by everyone will directly impact the way we shape and develop this piece of work, and we encourage you to take part and share with your friends and family and ask them and their children to take part too.

SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL - CLLR PETER SMERDON

Waste Update-SHDC Members grill FCC managers

A Special Full Council Meeting was called by Members on Wednesday 8th June to once again question FCC senior management on the continuing poor performance of the garden waste service. Members spent over two hours relaying their frustrations, and those of their residents on the erratic and haphazard reintroduction of the brown bin collections, despite repeated assurances in March from FCC that all was in place for the service to restart.

All Members of the Council were unanimous in their condemnation of FCCs poor service to our communities, and FCC Director of UK Operations Steve Longdon was left in no doubt that a major improvement in the service was long overdue.

FCC continue to struggle to recruit enough workers to fully staff the service, leading to the situation that some garden waste rounds cannot go out on their allotted collection day.

The black bin waste and the recycling collections are fully resourced and are operating as we would wish.

FCC are unable to carry out any recovery of the garden waste as recovery of black bins and recycling is being prioritised.

If a resident's bin is not collected on their scheduled day, we are advising residents to keep their brown bin out until 5pm the following day and if it isn't collected, then to take their bin in and present on their next collection day.

Officers continue to work closely with FCC to ensure as many collections are made as possible, but in order to ensure we can hold FCC to account contractually please encourage all residents to report their missed collection online.

We do not yet know when those areas which have not switched to the box recycling system will do so.

22/07/01 Apologies for absence - Cllrs Bailey & Chew/ Dist Cllr Pannell and Cathie Pannell

22/07/02 Approval of Minutes

To consider , amend as agreed by the Council (if required) & approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th May 2022 - **APPROVED**

22/07/03- Declarations of Interest None from Cllrs **Dispensation requests** - None

22/07/04 Clerks Report -

The Clerk commented that the works to the bus shelter had yet to commence

ACTION : CLERK TO CONTACT CONTRACTOR

The Clerk raised concerns from Parishioners . Some of the hirers of the Hall were playing music where the booming bass was creating a nuisance

22/07/05 Planning - Nothing to consider

22/07/06 - Finance

a) Approval of cheques - APPROVED

Karen Gilbert	Expenses / Stationery 06/22	£100.69
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22/07/07 Highway matters

It was **NOTED** that the dog bin had been delayed due to a fire at the Manufacturers

ACTION : CLERK TO CHASE

22/07/08- PC admin - It was **NOTED** that the Noticeboard had been delivered albeit to the Chairman's house

22/07/09 - Correspondence - correspondence had been emailed during the month.

22/07/10 Councillors business for next agenda

Cllr Wetherall advised that due to work commitments , he was unable to continue as a Councillor . The Council thanked him for his time and contribution over the past years and wished him well for the future

22/07/11. Date/time of next meeting MONDAY 5th September 2022 at 7pm

NO SCHEDULED MEETING IN AUGUST 2022

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.30 pm