

## MORCHARD BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 5 September 2016

**Present:** Keith Davies (Chairman), Roger Field, Erwin Moore, Sarah Gillbard, Frank Yendell, Charlotte Squire, Nick Heath, Dawn Parkhouse, Luke Denno, Les Partridge.

Margaret Squires and Judi Binks attended the meeting.

Records of Declarations of Interest made during the meeting are filed with these minutes.

1. **Apologies:** David Grant.
2. **The minutes** of the meeting of 1 August 2016 were approved and signed, proposed N Heath, seconded D Parkhouse, unanimous.
3. **Matters arising:**
  - (a) Roads, signs, hedges, potholes, etc. The pothole campaign continues, a further pothole just outside Newbuildings was reported. The question of signs for Corner Close was again raised.
  - (b) Transparency Code. Work in progress.
  - (c) Accidents and Incidents. None reported.
  - (d) Frost phone box. Work in progress.
  - (e) TAP Fund. £932 has been received from MDDC for the last financial year; this has been allocated to repairs to the wall of St Gaten Garden. No response has been received from neighbouring parishes about joint projects for the current financial year.
  - (f) Defibrillators. An electrician has the order to install the boxes but nothing has happened and another electrician will be approached. The boxes will have the post codes fixed on them when installed. Eight people have been trained but no further trainees have come forward.
  - (g) Emergency Planning / Resilience. The Chairman attended a meeting at the Met Office, he was much impressed with the Weather Observation Website (<http://wow.metoffice.gov.uk>) which gives worldwide weather reports, it is particularly strong on Western Europe, USA, Australia and New Zealand. This allows weather systems to be tracked by anyone with an interest. The Met Office holds a number of open days, 2016 is fully booked but they are taking names for 2017. Information from the visit will be included in the Emergency Plan.
  - (h) EDF smart meter. Work in progress.
  - (i) Drain – Wood Lane. Order placed.
  - (j) Collapsed wall – Corner Close. Completed.
  - (k) Car Park beds. Work in progress.

#### Village Project:

- (l) A £2000 grant has been offered by DCC towards the Play Area. This will be accepted and the conditions met.
4. **Members of the Public:** one member of the public attended re a planning application. Cllr Judi Binks announced the start of a singing group in Sandford.
5. **Correspondence:**
  - Lightsource wrote in support of the planning application (see below) and to advise the Parish Council that they had relinquished responsibility for the Broadgate Solar Array.
  - MDDC wrote concerning dog mess and litter bins in the Parish and also about other cleaning services supplied. A number of bins were missing from the map provided, one marked bin had disappeared and a further bin is required at Cornerways. Overall, with some rationalisation we could end up with fewer bins but better cover. Regarding

other services it was strongly felt that the roadsweeper would do a much better job after the roadside parked cars had left for work.

**6. Planning:** there were three applications to consider:

16/01175/FULL	Erection of dwelling following demolition of garage and workshops.	Behind Post House
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Supported, proposed N Heath, seconded L Denno, unanimous.

16/01210/FULL	Variation of planning consent from 25 to 30 years (Solar array)	Sharland Farm
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Supported, proposed F Yendell, seconded S Gillbard, unanimous.

16/01236/PNCOU	Prior notification for change of use from agri building to dwelling under Class Q [Consultation comments are not invited]	West Aish
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Although comments were not invited, it was felt that the development was inappropriate and doubts were expressed whether Class Q applied. Proposed N Heath, seconded L Denno, unanimous.

Planning decisions: 16/00564/FULL, retention of an agricultural access track at Menchine Farm, Nomansland: permitted. 15/00537/MFUL, solar array at Sharland Farm, the conditions have been discharged.

**7. Finance:** only one invoice to be paid:

M Baker                      Bus shelter cleaning – August                      £20.00

Payment proposed F Yendell, seconded C Squire, unanimous.

**Cashflow:** According to the bank statements there was an outflow of £1064, of which £1027 was for the defibrillator boxes. £969 has been paid into the reserve account but has not appeared on a statement yet. To overcome the issue of intermittent bank statements and varying statement days MBPC authorised three forms for the Clerk to have internet access to the bank accounts.

The Chairman confirmed that the Clerk's calculations were in agreement with the bank statements.

**8. General:** Devon Air Ambulance Trust are seeking night landing sites and the football ground appears to meet the criteria. The Clerk will facilitate a meeting between DAAT and MBFC.

**The next meeting of Morchard Bishop Parish Council will be held in the Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016**