

BERRY POMEROY PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of Meeting of Berry Pomeroy Parish Council Thursday April 6th 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Mills, Mrs Boughton, Elliot-Smith, Perring, Hooper, Hannaford, Cllrs Birch, Pennington & C. Cllr Rowe

Also present: 1 member of the public, Alan Langmaid (TTDTF)

1. (4.17) **APOLOGIES:**, Cllr Green

2. (4.17) **MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING:**

AGREED as a true record and duly signed off.

3. (4.17) **MATTERS ARISING**

- Adoption of Telephone Box, still awaiting confirmation that request has previously been made.
- Councillor vacancy, confirmation that no requests for an election were received, notice to be placed on notice board to advertise vacancy.
- Query as to progress on the Give Way sign at Berry Pomeroy roundabout.

4. (4.17) **POLICE**

No crimes were reported on the police incident website.

5. (4.17) **REPORTS**

Report of C. Cllr. R. Rowe, Devon County Council:

- Double yellow lines in Bourton Lane have been passed and to be put in place in due course. This is the end of her session as being a County Councillor due to boundary changes. Thanked everyone for their friendship and support over the years.

Report of Dist. Cllr Birch:

- Parish Council asked to produce a Neighbourhood Plan but little help being given. The Joint Local Plan makes reference to Neighbourhood Plan, giving

detail of housing in villages. Concern that with no Neighbourhood Plan as at present this represents a difficulty. Agreed should ask for help, Cllr Birch to assist.

Report of C. Cllr R Vint:

- Shared information of allocated Pothole Fund
- The Travellers at Littlehempston have gone, issued with a court order. DCC have done nothing to block the site, needs boulders or chipping. Cllr Rowe to investigate what can be done to prevent return.

Report of Dist. Cllr Pennington:

- South hams, West Devon and Plymouth Local Plan was approved by the councils in March and is now available for public consultation. It covers housing and future industrial development in detail.
- The Council has decided not to proceed with implementation of a Local Authority Controlled Company (LAC) to run council services as it was considered too much of a financial risk.
- Neighbourhood Plan contacts: Jacqui Thomas (Neighbourhood Plan Officer), Drew Powell (Specialist Manager) Tel: 01803 861240 or email: drew.powell@swdevon.gov.uk

6. (4.17) PLANNING

- 1494/17/HHO Garage into living accommodation, 4 Keep Cottages - Rejected as unacceptable for accommodation as being a garage (3-1, 1 abstention)

7. (4.17). FINANCE

Payments	£
Clerk Net Salary & Expenses for March	202.31
PAYE March	38.20
Lengthsman Fees Feb/Mar	315.00
DALC Membership	236.57
SHDC Payroll Services - annual charge	120.00
DALC Publications	4.00

Payment of the above sums was AGREED unanimously.

Balance on Business A/C	26 Dec 2016	£6,723.76
Balance on Savings A/C	4 July 2016	£4,190.45

It was agreed that Cllrs. Boughton & Perring should be added to the mandate for signing, and the contact address needs updating, Clerk to arrange.

8. (4.17) CORRESPONDANCE

- Alan Langmaid, Vice Chairman of Totnes and District Traffic and Transport Forum presented a paper for discussion on implementing a No Right Turn - A385 Junction with Berry Pomeroy on the Totnes to Paignton Road.

After presenting the dangerous nature of the junction and the 3 resulting options of a roundabout, traffic lights or No right turn sign Alan asked that the Parish Council consider supporting the 3rd option for a No Right Turn sign applied to Ture Street facing the Paignton approach.

The Parish Council supported with the proposal with the exception of agricultural vehicles. Clerk to email Cllr. Birch to confirm this.

- Cllr Vint reported complaints from residents of the Bus Shelter in Dukes Road, it has battered walls and roof. It was agreed it was not a job for the lengthsman, Steve Lambert to repair? It was commented that only Bob the Bus goes down Dukes Road and should it be removed if not in regular use. Clerk to contact Town Clerk at Totnes and ask about existing arrangements for advertising support.

9. (4.17) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- Discussion took place on the Neighbourhood Plan, concerns over the way forward. The Estate plans put forward seem different to the original. Housing needs survey requires a % of affordable housing but this requires enough marketable housing for developer.
- The Joint Local Plan sets up future housing needs for Berry Pomeroy on Page 225 of around 20 dwellings, discussion took place if this is too many and other sites need to be identified by the Parish Council.
- The questionnaire undertaken as part of the Neighbourhood Plan has already

indicated that there should be no development on agricultural land, and raised concerns on the infrastructure being able to cope as it is.

- The Joint Local Plan deadline is 26th April, Parish Council to submit comments requesting that due to existing development areas already in place that Berry Pomeroy should be changed from Category 2 (able to accommodate up to 20 dwellings) to Category 1 (able to accommodate up to 10 dwellings).

10. (4.17) HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

- It was reported that the footpath trimmings had been cleared, and the rubbish and tree at True Street had been cleared by the Council. The footpaths need to be sprayed. Clerk to inform lengthsman.

11. (4.17) BUSINESS AT DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

- Great Court Farm. 3 storey flats had been approved, levels have been lessened by 1m, Plans were discussed with Parish Council before approval, suggestions and conditions made which were adjusted and then approved. A member of the public asked what Parish Council involvement now with the development.

- Helicopter landing site at Lower Weston Recreation Field, formal support sought from Parish Council - Unanimous.

- The purchase of Magnets was agreed for the new notice board.

12. (4.17) CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

- None

13. (4.17) NEXT MEETING

Will be on 11TH May in the VILLAGE HALL.

Signed11-5-2017 (J. Mills, Chairman)