

# DEAN PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES

### **Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 5th February 2018 at Dean Prior Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present** – Cllrs Chew ( Chairman ) Mabin , Rutley , Thorn and Wetherall - Clerk , Karen Gilbert  
District Cllr Peter Smerdon and District Cllr Robert Steer

#### **Public Forum - No comment**

#### **Dist Cllr Steer**

Cllr Steer commented on the progress on the development at Sherford and on the South Hams Local Plan , which had now been sent to the Inspector for analysis

#### **Dist Cllr Smerdon**

Cllr Smerdon updated the Council on the Budget for South Hams and where it was hoped that savings / increased income could be made . He also updated the Council on a South Hams Enforcement issue on the boundary of the Parish of Dean Prior

#### **County Cllr Hosking - written report**

Devon County Council have the third highest rate of recycling at 55.7%, a good record which I encourage you all to endeavour to improve on.

The applications to the Town and Parish fund were over-subscribed in the Totnes cluster group and Councillors present agreed that they should be averaged. Dean Prior should receive about 70% of the sum you applied for towards the cost of a defibrillator.

Pleased to advise that repairs to the potholes in the road from Dean Prior Church to Smallcombe Cross will be included in our allocation from the recently announced Government Pothole Action fund. The timing of the works will be advised as soon as it is included in the schedule.

#### **18/02/01 - Apologies for absence - Cllr Hosking**

#### **18/02/02 - Approval of Minutes**

Approved and signed as a true and accurate record , the Minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2018 - all in agreement.

#### **18/02/03- Declarations of Interest - None**

#### **18/02/04 - Dispensation requests - None**

#### **18/02/05 - To receive an update on potential costs/funding for a defibrillator in the Parish**

The Clerk advised that she had received verbal confirmation that approx 73% of the £700 bid to the TAP fund had been awarded - resulting in a further £511 towards the defibrillator

Cllr Robert Steer kindly advised that he would be pleased to add a further £200 towards this project from his Locality Grant budget . The Councillors thanked him for this kind gesture

#### **ACTION ; CLERK TO APPLY TO CLLR STEER'S LOCALITY FUND**

#### **ACTION ; CLERK TO OBTAIN QUOTES FOR DEFIBRILLATOR AND CABINET**

#### **18/02/06 - Clerks Report**

The matter of the unauthorised Lengthsman work was discussed at length . It was **NOTED** that there was no allowance for such works in the 2017/2018 Parish Council Budget - nor would there be in the 2018/2019 budget . The original TAP funding has been exhausted some time ago

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the Contractor to highlight the fact that the work was unauthorised and to negotiate a settlement

#### **ACTION ; CLERK TO CONTACT CONTRACTOR**

**18/02/07 Planning -**

The following decision was **NOTED**

0595/17 Weavers Cottage, Deancombe  
Single storey extensions to rear and side  
**FULL PLANNING PERMISSION REQUIRED**

**18/02/08 - Finance**

a) The Following cheque was approved - all in agreement  
K GILBERT - Broadband /expenses £15.95

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk buy a shredder for Data protection purposes ( GDPR 05/18) with Dean Prior to contribute 25% of the cost

**18/02/09 - Highway matters**

Cllr Hosking and Highways Officer Nick Colton advised that repairs to the potholes in the road from Dean Prior Church to Smallcombe Cross will be included in the allocation from the recently announced Government Pothole Action fund. The timing of the works will be advised as soon as it is included in the schedule.

**18/02/10 - Councillor reports**

It was reported that the lorries used in timber extraction from Dean Wood had caused some damage in the Parish

**ACTION ; CLERK TO REPORT TO FOUNTAINS FORESTRY**

A Parishioner had asked that a sign was required to indent the area of Higher Dean to assist in deliveries and to assist couriers

**ACTION ; CLERK TO APPROACH HIGHWAYS FOR SIGN**

It was **NOTED** that silt from a field was running onto the highway at Moorshead and causing drainage problems

**ACTION ; CLERK TO ALERT HIGHWAYS RE SILT FROM FIELDS**

**18/02/11 - Parish Council admin**

It was **AGREED** that the adoption of Parish Council documents would be deferred until the March 2018 meeting

**18/02/12 - Correspondence - None - correspondence having been emailed during the month**

**18/02/13- Councillors business for next agenda - None**

**18/02/14 - Date/time of next meeting - 5th March 2018 at 7.30pm**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.30pm

The Chairman thanked both Cllr Smerdon and Cllr Steer for attending