

HALWELL & MORELEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Online
Thursday 1st March 2021 at 7pm

OPEN FORUM – No members of the public attended.

PRESENT: Councillors: D. Treeby, N. Palmer, M. Hicks, M. McInerney, J. Mussen, H. Reeve, R. Tozer, P. Westlake, R. Widger

In attendance: Cllr. R. Gilbert, S. Winstanley (Clerk in attendance)

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. H. Reeve

- CDS is connecting the broadband and for our district it is Airband. SHDC has appointed an officer to deal with broadband issues. A small amount of work is being carried out at the Business Park. As far as we know high speed broadband should be connecting in July.
- The Leisure Centres should be open on the 12th April but you can make contact on line if you wish.
- The new rubbish collection will be starting soon and will mean that the whole of Devon will be on the same system.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. R. Gilbert

- 1) Climate change:
DCC is a founding and principle partner of the Devon Climate Emergency (DCE) initiative and has signed the Devon Climate Declaration which commits to working collaboratively with partners, which is now starting to be done via a consultation draft interim Devon Carbon Plan.
- 2) £1.3M extra has been allocated for 21/22 budget with £600,000.00 for pot holes and drainage plus £100,000.00 for work on maintenance of street furniture and a further £600,000.00 to top up the £1.5 M given to District Councils emergency fund last summer.
- 3) So far this fiscal year, we have used 50% more salt on the highways network totalling 15000 tons.
- 4) Devon Highways budget is £28M which is about £100,000.00/day to maintain the 12,966km of roads.
- 5) DCC has 65 farms totalling 9555 acres
- 6) Once again sorry about the white lines being renewed in the wrong place.
- 7) I have sent you various Covid and other information since we last met.

POLICE REPORT – from Police website page – No crimes reported

1. APOLOGIES – J. Collins

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 14.1.21 - It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved that the Vice Chair sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable

Pecuniary interests including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to

be considered at this meeting. D. Treeby, N. Palmer, H. Reeve and R. Tozer declared a pecuniary interest in planning application 3574/20/FUL. H.Reeve declared a pecuniary interest in planning application 0371/21/FUL.

4. CLERK'S REPORT – No report

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5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- The floodlights at Pears was dazzling drivers turning off the A381 right at Short Cross. Having approached the owner the problem has been resolved.

6. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS –

Decision made using delegated powers:

0166/21/CLE – Bickleigh Farm, TQ9 7HZ

Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of building and yard

Business Class E (formerly B1C) use and siting of building/Portacabin for business use

It was decided to make no comment.

To be considered:

0175/21/OPA - Land adjacent to Tor View

Outline Application with some matters reserved for erection of three detached houses (resubmission of 1196/19/OPA)

Following discussion it was resolved to recommend support

H. Reeve, N. Palmer, D.Treeby and R. Tozer left the meeting

3574/20/FUL – Halwell Business Park TQ9 (class E (former B1 only) B2 and B8 use)

Following discussion it was resolved to recommend support

N. Palmer, D.Treeby and R. Tozer rejoined the meeting

0371/21/FUL – SX766 – Spanish Lane Cross to Moreleigh

Provision of agricultural storage building

Following discussion it was resolved to recommend support

H. Reeve rejoined the meeting

0442/21/TPO – 5 Croadon Meadows, Halwell, TQ9 7LH

T1 OAK – Crown raise to 6m from ground level over driveway and deadwood removal – Tree is overhanging neighbouring driveway

Following discussion it was resolved to make no comment

0443/21/TPO – 4 Croadon Meadows, Halwell TQ9 7LH

Crown raise to 6m from ground level over driveway and deadwood removal (exempt) – Tree is overhanging neighbouring driveway

Following discussion it was resolved to make no comment

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:-

a) To approve payment of the following::

Bank Transfers: £200 – All Saints Church – grant for tree felling

£269.30 – S. Winstanley (Feb)

£59.88 – H. Reeve (reimburse for Haddy fencing)

£14.39 – Zoom payment (reimburse S. Winstanley)

b) Cash at bank £21,347.14

8. CORRESPONDENCE - Email from Highway re. white lines and letter from P.Hallett re. lorry movements

H. Reeve had contacted the developers at Applepark in Kingsbridge where the developments is taking place from which the soil is being transported by lorry to a farm on the Gara Road out of Moreleigh. There is a licence in place for these movements until June. There will be no more ground works for the next 4-6 weeks when the lorry movements will resume. The offer was made to give a few days notice of their movements. H. Reeve will keep in contact.

9. UPDATE on the road past Pears – The white lines should be re-done in the next few days the work having been renewed in the wrong place.

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10. Public Information on Census

H. Reeve emphasised the importance of completing the Census

11. COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS – To receive updates from councillors on matters of special responsibility:

J. Mussen - reported that the footpath through the garden of the property next to the Police House is owned by DCC and the Footpaths Officer is planning to remove the gate which the owner of the garden does not want removed. Following discussion it was agreed the PC write to the Footpaths Officer to request a change of mind and for the gate to remain.

H. Reeve – reported that the defibrillator in Moreleigh has been removed from the cabinet. It has been removed for checking but there has never been a heater which is required to keep the battery in good order. The Chair will speak to the owner of the pub.

12. DATE of next MEETING – 12th April - to be confirmed

SIGNED

D. Treeby - Chair

HALWELL & MORELEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Village Hall, Moreleigh
Monday 27th January 2020 at 7pm**

PRESENTATION by Airband re. highspeed broadband. The proposed costs were displayed and if sufficient members of the Parish are prepared to sign up for highspeed broadband then the cost of installation may be covered by a government voucher. Parishioners were encouraged to spread the word so that as many people sign up as possible.

OPEN FORUM – Ten members of the public attended.

PRESENT: Councillors: D. Treeby, J. Collins, M. Hicks, M. McInerney, J. Mussen, H. Reeve, R. Tozer, P. Westlake,
In attendance: Cllr. R. Gilbert, S. Winstanley (Clerk in attendance)

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. H. Reeve

- Delighted that the PC has now provided a TV so that planning applications can be properly viewed. Thanks were expressed to J. Collins and R. Tozer for working to purchase and install the TV.
- Recycling materials must not be contaminated by waste – such as pizza boxes.
- There are still a few days to contribute to the climate change initiative.
- The chief executive of SHDC is leaving and a replacement is being sought.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. R. Gilbert

- There has been a lot of interest in tendering for provision of highspeed broadband in Devon & Somerset. There is a determination to provide 95% of properties with the opportunity of high speed broadband. There is a voucher system to help with the connection charges of highspeed broadband.
- Parsonage Lane is to be resurfaced.
- The road from Moreleigh Fork to the A381 -the minutes of the HATOC will be emailed to H. Reeves and Highways representatives will meet with Members to discuss arrangements.
- There has been much discussion about rainwater runoff all the way down Moreleigh Green resulting in flooding. The PC requested that when planning permission was granted for two new houses adjacent to Island House, that a pipe be constructed to take the rainwater runoff but the construction of the pipe was inadequate and is so high that it does not take runoff even in the severest downpours of late.

POLICE REPORT – from Police website page 2 crimes

- One burglary
- One other theft

3. **APOLOGIES** - N. Palmer, R. Widger

4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9.12.20** - It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary

interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting.

6. CLERK'S REPORT –

- A further delivery of salt had been requested but had not arrived.
- The new register of electors has been ordered.

7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS – No comments.

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8. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS – To be considered

3951/19/HHO – Abbey Moor, Back Road, Moreleigh TQ9 7JW

Extension and alterations to existing property

Following discussion it was resolved to recommend support.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:-

a) To approve payment of the following cheques:

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731 - £265.78 – S. Winstanley - Jan

732 - £168.00 – H&MVHT – Hire of Hall

733 - £200.00 - C. Reeve – 2yrs cutting play area.

734 - £90.00 – P. Westlake – village maintenance

b) Cash at bank – £19,609.27

8. To discuss the continuing flooding resulting from run off down the Boreston to Moreleigh road.

As above.

14. To discuss the planting trees and the provision of a community orchard.

Following discussion it was agreed that some fruit trees be planted near the play area and on the ground opposite the Old Inn. Clerk to check ownership of the Halwell land.

15. To discuss hedge cutting in the Parish.

The hedge in Moreleigh from Moreleigh Cross to Diptford Turn had been cut and the PC will bear the cost.

The brambles at the top of the road from the Village Hall to the A381 had been cut back and the PC will bear the cost.

It was also agreed that the brambles beside the Police House could be cleared. Highways will be contacted to make sure this is agreeable.

16. CORRESPONDENCE – None

17. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS – To receive updates from councillors on matters of special responsibility:

Request that the drains from Stanborough to Moreleigh should be cleared and the drain in the Village Hall Car park be included. Also the drains at Crocadon.

13. DATE of next MEETING – at Halwell & Moreleigh Village Hall at 7pm – 24th February 2020

SIGNED
D. Treeby Chair

ACTION POINTS

CLERK To contact Highways re. banks in Halwell and tree planting
To contact Brookings re. clearing drains.