

**Minutes of a meeting of Horrabridge Parish Council held in the Village Hall
On Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 7.30pm**
(also available at www.horrabridge-pc.gov.uk)

Present: Cllr M Huda (Chairman), Cllr E Hemsil, Cllr T Lear, Cllr E Emptage, Cllr A Mansfield
Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr D Farrar, Cllr Moorhead, Cllr Glinn, Cllr M Hussey

In Attendance: Caroline Ellis – Clerk
1 Member of the public

51:23/24 **Open Session** – None

52:23/24 **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies tendered by Cllr Roche who was on holiday, was approved. Apologies from Cllr Varney and Cllr West from WDBC were noted.

53:23/24 **Apologies without Absence** – None

54:23/24 **Declarations of Interest** – None

55:23/24 **Confirmation of the minutes of the Parish meeting held on Tuesday 13th June 2023** – The Council **RESOLVED** to agree the minutes of the Tuesday 13th June 2023 Parish Council Meeting and was a true record and was signed by the Chairman.

56:23/24 **Planning Applications -**
The Council noted the following the following decision.
0274/22 Appeal proposed for the alteration to number of caravans from 9 residential, 18 holiday, 30 touring caravans and up to 16 chalets to 18 residential, 36 holiday, 30 touring and up to 30 chalets. The Planning Committee **RESOLVED** to submit a comment supporting the DNPA refusal of the planning permission.

Planning Application

0275/23 Raised hardstanding, Craiglea Plymouth Road, Horrabridge, PL20 7RL on the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Edmondson, the Council **RESOLVED** to support the application.

57:23/24 **Finance** – The bank reconciliation, Trial Balance, and Budget Report dated 30th June 2023 was reviewed and on the proposition of Cllr Moorhead, seconded Cllr Farrar, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve.

Cllr Hemsil asked the Clerk for clarification of the budget spent on bin and garden waste. The Clerk explained it included an invoice from WDBC for emptying bins as well as the garden waste renewal. Cllr Hemsil also asked where the budget for the new bin would come from. It was explained that it was to replace a missing bin by the shelter in Weir Park and it had been installed. The purchase was approved at the meeting held on 13th June. (minute ref 34:23/24) A thank you letter would be sent to the resident who helped with the installation. The payment of the bin was on the July payment list. The costing was accounted for within the Coronation grants received.

Payments, Clerk's and staff salaries was reviewed and on the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Edmondson the Council **RESOLVED** to approve.

58:23/24 **Baby Changing Unit** – On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Moorhead **RESOLVED** to purchase the Bambino Commercial Heavy Duty Horizontal Baby Changing Table from Hygiene Supplies Direct at a net cost of £141.66

- 59:23/24** **Gritter** – The Council agreed to scrap the gritter. Cllr Lear would contact the local auctioneers to see if they can sell the gritter.
- 60:23/24** **Defibrillator** – The Council agreed there was no budget to purchase a new defibrillator. The Clerk had made enquires and registered an interest in a government funding project, which had become available for community organisations. The Clerk would apply if successful.
- 61:23/24** **D-Day 80th Anniversary** – The Council agreed to hold an event on 6th June 2024. A Working Group would be formed in September, after the Summer Fair, to start the planning.
- 62:23/24** **Football Goal Post** – Cllr Mansfield suggested installing a goal post at far end of Weir Park. Cllr Hemsil and Cllr Moorhead asked if the Clerk to check the Byelaws to see if football was allowed in Weir Park.
- 63:23/24** **Village Hall Refurbishment** – Deferred to the next meeting due to the absence of Cllr Roche.
- 64:23/24** **2-Way Radios** – On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Moorhead, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve the purchase of Motorola T82 Extreme Six Pack Two-Way Radios at a cost of £311.99 on a successful demonstration. The Clerk explained a Radio Licence would have to be purchased from Ofcom at a cost of £75 for 5 years.
- 65:23/24** **Gazebo** – Cllr Huda reported a 3m Gazebo would be in the region of £499. Cllr Glinn, seconded Cllr Farrar, the Council **RESOLVED** to purchase a gazebo up to the price of £499
- 66:23/24** **Emergency Lighting** – Cllr Moorhead reported 5no emergency lights needed to be replaced in the Village Hall. On the proposition of Cllr Moorhead, seconded Cllr Huda, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve the replacements at an approximate cost of £40 per light fitting.
- 67:23/24** **Desktop Computer** – The Clerk reported the Desktop Computer was no longer used. A member of the Repair Café could wipe the computer and it could be donated to HM Dartmoor Prison for prisoner rehabilitation or education, as their IT Budget had been axed. On the proposition of Cllr Lear, seconded Cllr Emptage, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve to wipe the computer of data and donate the desktop computer to HM Dartmoor Prison.
- 68:23/24** **Open Spaces Reports** – Cllr Glinn reported the salt bin had been tidied and now had room for a delivery. More sandbags were required to prevent flooding. The noisy manhole cover had been replaced. The lime tree had been lightly trimmed to improve the head room for the Pirate Ship. Cllr Glinn had written to SWW regarding the smell by the bridge/Chapel Lane. They had replied asking if happens again to report it as they could not find any issues this time. There would be a survey of the sewage pipes in the area. They do not see and issue with the siting of the green cabinet. Cllr Glinn reported the broken gate on Walkhampton Road cattle grid. The truck 4wd system had been repaired and had passed the MOT. The area around the trampoline needs new turf. This will be done in the Autumn.
- 69:23/24** **Progress Reports** – Cllr Moorhead would arrange for PAT Testing to be done as it was now due. Possibly 30 items. The Twinning event was planned for next year and the Council would be involved. It was agreed a budget would be set for the event. The Caretaker would be taking holiday in August and Cllrs and Clerk were asked to help to cover. Cllr Glinn reported Section 211 would have to be applied for to remove the Christmas tree in Weir Park. Cllr Glinn reported SWW were

offering free rainwater harvesting tanks. One could be installed at the allotments. The Clerk brought to the attention of the Council that if it the Council was responsible, they would have to conduct water monitoring surveys. Cllr Edmondson reported she would be meeting with the Snow Wardens and distributing the recently approved policies and risk assessment as well as asking them to complete the Snow Warden Agreement. Cllr Edmondson would be purchasing 2 pack epoxy resin and paint to make repairs to the slide. Cllr Edmondson reported the defibrillator at the Village Hall was now 'rescue ready'. Two sets of replacement pads had been received. One will remain in the office and Cllr Edmondson would keep the other to make it easy to replace when necessary. Cllr Edmondson had been in contact with Diana Moyse who sadly lost her seat on WDBC but she remains on the Dartmoor National Park Planning Authority and had emailed Sir Geoffrey Cox MP regarding Barton Leisure planning appeal.

70:23/24 **Borough and County Councillor report** - None.

71:23/24 **Councillors reports and items for future agenda** – Cllr Lear reported the hedge at Whitchurch Road was overgrown and was covering road signs and benches. This would be reported to Highways. A property had a wire hanging from a first-floor room and into the road, this caught a passing cyclist. A Councillor would speak to the resident. There had been another incident at the school with a car almost reversing into a child and parking was still an issue. Cllr Emptage reported the Scout field hedges were very overgrown.

72:23/24 **Open Session** - A member of the public reported there was a re-occurring problem with a blocked drain at Greenway Close. The Clerk would report to DCC on their behalf.

The date of the next meeting was 8th August 2023 at 7.30pm

The meeting was closed at 8.55pm

Councillor M Huda
Chairman

DATED: