

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF NEWTON & NOSS PARISH COUNCIL**

**Held on 9 September 2015**

PRESENT Mr. Cooper Mr.Green Mr. Hussell Ms. Cove Ms. Adams Ms. Longworth

ALSO 12 parishioners Mrs. McDonough  
PRESENT (Clerk)

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In the absence of the Chairman, the Meeting was chaired by the Vice Chairman Mr. Alan Cooper

**OPEN FORUM**

PCSO 30540 Andy Potter gave the following crime report for Newton Ferrers and Noss Mayo for July/August 2015;

**July**

**Newton Ferrers**-20<sup>th</sup> July- theft of a boat trailer [Collaton Cross] CR/050484/15.

**Noss Mayo**-16<sup>th</sup> July- dog out of control. Advice had been given to the owner CR/049580/15.

**August**

**Newton Ferrers**

Between 7-14 August- property stolen from moored boat. Enquiries were ongoing CR/058436/15.

Between 11-17 August property stolen from moored boat. Enquiries were ongoing CR/057644/15.

**Noss Mayo**-no reported crime.

PSO Potter advised that there was no particular pattern to the boat thefts but that officers in the area had been made aware.

**Development site at SX 552 484, Archers Court, 37/1772/15/F**-the architect gave an outline of the proposals for a single highly sustainable home. The applicant had been born in the village. The property would be of single storey. There was already water and access with parking and turning on site. The proposals had local supporters.

**Development site at SX 552 481, Barnicott, Bridgend Hill, 37/1831/15/F**-Ms. Amanda Burden, Luscombe Maye, on behalf of the applicants, gave a short outline of the proposals for an eco, modestly sized open plan home with a swimming pool. The pool would be for the use of the family and available for the Primary School. She advised that the property was within the Village Development Boundary. A Landscape and Visual Impact Statement had been submitted. It was of contemporary design and in a low key setting within the site.

Ms. Adams asked if the school had been consulted with reference to the pool and health and safety matters. The applicant advised that it was a preliminary suggestion. The plans had been amended to change the design of the changing room to give independent access.

Ms. Burden advised that the applicant was in the construction industry and a sympathetic developer. It was anticipated there would be minimal disruption.

Ms. Cove asked about the proposed access which would involve cutting into the Devon bank and onto, in effect, a single track road. Ms. Burden advised that it was proposed to cut straight through the bank and that a structural engineer had looked at it. The bank was bed rock. There were no stability issues. The Highways Officer had been involved and had had access. The visibility splays were in accordance with current highway regulations. There was a natural widening of the lane at the proposed access point. The rock face would be covered by green growth with a new geo- textile wrapping leading to immediate green growth on the rock face. The landscape consultant had provided photos to show current access, then 6 and 12 months after showing the green growth reinstated.

Ms. Burden suggested the proposals were within the Village Development Boundary. The Chairman advised that he did not believe that to be the case.

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**182/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**- there were apologies from the Chairman Mrs. Ansell, Mr. Tubb, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Evans, Mr. Carter and District Councillor Baldry.

**183/15 INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED** - members were invited to declare interests in the items for discussion during the course of the Meeting. None were declared.

**184/15 DISPENSATION REQUESTS**-none.

**185/15 MINUTES** –the Minutes of the 23 July Meeting were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**186/15. VARIATION OF AGENDA** –RESOLVED: matters relating to quotations for annual maintenance, play park repairs and tree inspections should be considered in Committee. (*Vote; Unanimous*)

**187/15. PLANNING**

**Planning applications determined during the summer break-**

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**187.1 3, Beacon Hill, 37/1621/15/F**-householder application for proposed erection of a garage and boat store. The application had been circulated to Members during the summer break. Three members had responded. The Chairman and Vice Chairman had visited Beacon Hill. One Member had raised no objection to the application. Two Members had objected. No EGM had been requested. The decision had been delegated to the Clerk based upon Members' feedback. DECISION: Objection.

1. Overdevelopment. The size and scale of the development was disproportionate for a garage, particularly the upper storey. The upper storey was the size of a two-bedroomed flat. The proposed structure, because of its size and height, would have a detrimental visual impact on neighbouring properties.
2. It was outside the village development boundary.
3. It was in an AONB.
4. It would have an unreasonable effect on neighbour properties. There was a privacy issue regarding a window overlooking North Lodge. When the garage of North Lodge had been built the planners had insisted that a window be removed on the grounds of privacy affecting the Tree House at 3, Beacon Hill. This removed window at the North Lodge garage was erroneously shown in the plans.
5. All the other neighbouring properties had double, single storey garages.

**Planning applications received including;**

**187.2 3 Hillside Cottages, Noss Mayo, 37/1731/15/F**-householder application for two storey extension to rear and single storey extension to front. DECISION: No objection (*Vote; 5 in favour, 1 abstention*)

**187.3 Development site at SX 553 487, Parsonage Road, 37/1714/15/F**- proposed housing development comprising 16 dwellings and associated access road, car park and landscaping (Resubmission of approval 37/1122/11/F). DECISION: Support (*Vote; Unanimous.*)

**187.4 Holy Cross Church, 37/1880/15/tw**- South Hams District Council (Parish of Newton & Noss) (no.28) Tree Preservation Order 2004- work to Tree Preservation Order trees. It was agreed, in accordance with the Tree Warden's suggestion, that a site visit should take place.

**187.5 Development site at SX 552 484, Archers Court, 37/1772/15/F**- change of use from agricultural & storage area for construction of single dwelling. DECISION: Support (*Vote; Unanimous.*)

**187.6 13 Rowden Court, Stoke Road, 37/1842/15/F 37/1843/15/LB**-householder application to replace all existing window frames like for like with double glazed units in hardwood frames DECISION: The Parish Council would leave the decision to the South Hams District Council Conservation Officer as to whether the proposals were appropriate. (*Vote; Unanimous*)

**187.7 Development site at SX 552 481, Barnicott, Bridgend Hill, 37/1831/15/F**-provision of new dwelling. The plans had not been made available on the South Hams District Council website until the day before the meeting-through no fault of the applicant. The Case Officer had been contacted to request an extension for the Parish Council to respond to 25 September to enable the Parish Council an opportunity to gauge public opinion. Ms. Burden advised members of the Parish Council were welcome to visit the site before the next meeting any arrangements being made via the Clerk. DECISION: To postpone the decision to the next Meeting on 24 September. (*Vote; Unanimous*)

**Planning decisions/Appeals**

**187.8 Yealm Reach, 97 Court Road APP/K1128/W/15/3130793**- erection of dwelling and garage with associated access. DECISION: **NNPC:** The Parish Council would make the following representations;

1. The Members wish to reiterate their objections to the proposals forwarded to South Hams District Council.
2. The Parish Council supported the reasons for refusal given by South Hams District Council.
3. Planning approval has already been given for two developments on the same site; The Sheilings 97 Court Road, 37/0903/15/F and The Cottage, 97 Court Road 37/2600/14/F. To approve the application in respect of Yealm Reach would constitute over development of the site.
4. Parish Council Members suggested the Planning Inspector viewed the site from the water and from the Wembury side of the river. (*Vote; Unanimous*)

**187.9 Proposed Solar PV array at SX 553 496, Newton Downs Farm** – Mr. Peter Brown had advised that the Chancellor's announcement seemed to have made the option of buying the asset at Newton downs Farm unattractive, so he was working on a Plan B at present. He had an appointment with the planner the following Friday to discuss. Mr. Lyndon was not in attendance to give a report of the site visit.

**187.10 Yealm Community Solar Farm**- Mr. Green had seen the proposed plans at the Yealampton Show. It would be difficult to see. The Chairman expressed concern about agricultural land being used.

**187.11 Newton & Noss Neighbourhood Plan** –Mr. Lunn was in attendance and advised that he was still endeavouring to set up the first meeting of the Steering Group.

**187.12 Collaton development proposals 37/2548/14/O**- the Parish Council had received notification that the SHDC Development Management Committee Site visit would take place on Monday 14 September, in respect of which it was agreed Ms. Longworth would attend. The Development Management Committee Meeting was set for Wednesday 23 September. Mr Green advised he may be able to attend subject to the time of the meeting.

**188/15 COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILS**

**181.2 Highways/Transport-**

**i) Grass cutting**-there was no update on the request for a map of the areas Devon County Council would be cutting.

**ii) No. 94 bus service**-the cuts to the service were to be implemented. The Parish Council had been copied in on correspondence between Mr. Nick Rogers, a parishioner, and Devon County Council/ Gary Streeter MP making representations against the cuts and putting forward alternative proposals. Ms. Adams expressed relief that the Parish still had a service which meant that people could still get to work, particularly in light of what was happening elsewhere. Mr. Green suggested that if someone was prepared to look into alternatives, undertake a feasibility study and investigate fund raising that the Parish Council should give moral support and pass on funding ideas. The Chairman suggested a community bus would be expensive to buy and there would be continuing funding/logistical matters to bear in mind. Mr. Green advised that to restore the original No. 94 bus service would cost £19,000-£21,000 p.a.

*Cllr Hosking arrived at 7.45pm*

Mr. Rogers expressed concern that once the service started to run down the population may stop using it altogether. Between 10-12 years ago the service had been viable and well used - but cars had become more accessible. Central Government wanted transport to be more environmentally friendly and to avoid using cars but then imposed budget cuts which in turn led to cutting public transport.

Miss Cove suggested a bus link to Yealmpton to join in with No 93.

Mr. Rogers suggested fighting back against the cuts and to investigate a non-profit making charitable status bus company acting as a feeder bus from Newton & Noss to connect with a main service through Yealmpton. There was no service from the parish Bank Holidays, Sundays or evenings.

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council had objected to the cuts. An extensive viability study would be needed. Mr Rogers advised he would be prepared to undertake the investigations.

Cllr. Hosking had been asked previously to find out how the No. 94 service and the No. 49 service was linked. Cllr. Hosking had not got further clarification on this point. The services were very expensive to run on an individual passenger basis.

Mr. Green advised he would be happy to support Mr Rogers, and Mr. Peter Brown, in their feasibility investigations.

**iii) Yealm Road concerns**- the Parish Council had been copied in on an exchange of emails between a parishioner and Cllr. Hosking regarding the manner in which Devon County Council prioritised highway repairs and pot holes/degrading road surface concerns on Yealm Road near the Co- operative. Cllr. Hosking advised the pot holes had now been filled. He advised that DCC planned their road repair schedule carefully with the available budget-worked out to optimise the return for spend. Certain stretches of road would suffer. Certain roads were worked on to prolong the life of the road. Different roads required different maintenance. The Chairman asked if the Council could have a schedule of road works. Whilst Cllr. Hosking could access the programme he was uncertain whether he was allowed to release it. He would check.

**i) Newton Hill**- a Riverside Road East resident had expressed concern about traffic congestion/disruption caused by cars parking at the south west side of the granite cross at the bottom of the hill. He advised DCC had agreed to restore and repaint existing yellow lines and DCC had suggested that he write to the Parish Council requesting further improvements at the next general markings review. The parishioner suggested the existing double yellow lines be extended along the front of the Dolphin car park and that a Keep Clear sign was painted on the road surface south west of the cross. It was agreed Mr. Green would discuss matters with The Pharmacy and The Dolphin owners and report back. The Clerk would check the position with DCC Highways Officer regarding Traffic Regulation Orders.

**ii) A379 update**- Cllr. Hosking advised another geological survey was due to be undertaken in the next few days. He had asked for but not received a timings schedule. The works were not being upgraded to emergency status but were classified as a priority.

**188.2 County Council**- Cllr. Hosking reported the following;

**i) Devolution**- Devon was actively participating with Somerset, Dartmoor National Park, Exmoor National Park, Plymouth and Torbay Authorities on a statement of intent regarding devolved powers and budget.

**ii) Public Transport**- Cllr. Hosking had listed to Mr Rogers ideas. More remote parishes at Ringmore, Bigbury and Kingston had a community car arrangement with volunteer car drivers. Organisations were in place in Ivybridge and Kingsbridge. Ivybridge could be requested to add the parish to its area or the Parish could set up its own arrangements. The drivers went through a screening process and were paid 45p per mile. There was usually no impact on insurance premiums save for a possible administration fee. Cllr. Hosking offered to discuss establishing the scheme further. Miss Cove asked about the impact on taxi drivers and that they should be consulted. Cllr. Hosking suggested the arrangement would be cheaper than a taxi. The intention was to offer the service to those who could not afford a taxi. Ms. Longworth suggested there was a semi-formal arrangement in the Parish already. Miss Cove suggested that DCC could subsidise the taxis. Cllr. Hosking advised there was no provision or subsidy for this.

**iii) Bishops Court**-Mr. Green asked for an update on night time care provision. Cllr. Hosking had no update. His assumption was that if a patient was in need care would be provided. The Chairman advised that he had asked Spectrum Housing Manager Pauline Watts who had said that the matter was still under consultation and she had not heard anything. Cllr. Hosking advised there was a question mark as to whether people would qualify for DCC assistance. The alternative was to call out the emergency services if someone was ill. Mr. Green asked if DCC had

changed its criteria or whether Bishops Court had changed its status. He asked whether in the event residents needed the care Bishops Court would be eligible.

Mr. Nick Rogers as a resident advised that when Bishops Court opened the sale documents and tenancy advised residents would be entitled to 24 hour care. Cllr Hosking asked if he could be provided with a copy.

Mr. Rogers advised that there were residents in need of 24 hour care. Recently one resident had had a stroke and was not found until the morning. Nobody had been advised about the assessment nor that it was being undertaken to review 24 hour cover.

**188.3 District Council-** Cllr. Blackler gave the following report

**i) Locality Officer-** Tim Pollard was the Locality Officer for the area and could be contacted through Customer Services

**ii) Customer Services-** there were now 14 operators. The Service should be much quicker.

**iii) Banking-** Barclays and NatWest branches were due to close in Ivybridge.

**iii) TAP Fund-** applications had to be submitted before 18 December. Decisions in respect of the applications would be made by Members behind closed doors. Ivybridge area had funding available of £29275.

**iv) Planning officer-** new planning officers had started and planning lists were reducing.

**v) Housing-** there were 1334 on South Hams Devon Home Choice list. Band D represented those who may need to move near family on health, medical or welfare reasons. They could be given priority even if they had somewhere else to live.

**vi) Finance-** in 2008 SHDC had 1.25million in an Icelandic Bank which went down. 94% had been recovered.

Between April- June £131,000 had been written off in debt for 3 liquidations in non-domestic properties and £57,000 for domestic properties. SHDC would pursue them for 6 years.

**188.4 SHDC Asset Transfer/Parish Asset Land Registration-** no update.

### **189/15 ADMINISTRATION**

**189.1 Events applications-** the Twinning visit by young people from Trebeurden, camping on Noss Green, had been very successful. It was agreed that a request for a refund of £30 for a cancelled children's party on Noss Green on 19 July should be granted. It was agreed to hold a further Community Orchard Apple Day on 18 October between 1.30- 4pm. Ms. Longworth outline the events. The Clerk would prepare risk assessments with approval being delegated to the Chairman and Mr. Green. Zurich Insurance had confirmed public liability insurance for the event.

### **189.2 Bishops Court including**

**i) Rent/service charge increase-** Spectrum had advised that the rent increase from 25 June 2015 would be 3% increasing the annual rent to £3187.07. The new monthly rental payment would increase from £309.42 including VAT to £318.71. The service charge from 1 April 2015-31 March 2016 would increase from £402.14 (£33.51pm) to £538.89 pa (£44.91pm). Spectrum had accounted for the sharp increase because of the water charges budget. The total charge per month would increase from £342.93 to £363.62. It was agreed to cancel the existing Standing Order in favour of Spectrum Housing Association and set up a new Standing Order for £363.62.

**ii) Night care provision-** a parishioner had advised the Council that her mother, a resident at Bishops Court, had undergone an assessment. The purpose of the assessments had not been made clear to either the residents or the care staff. Had she been aware, it would have been pointed out that her mother had had to call night staff on many occasions, but had not had to do so in the two weeks during the assessment. Guinness Healthcare had taken statements from all residents and had been more meticulous about registering night calls. Her mother had bought into Bishops Court because of the 24 hour cover, hoping it would be a home for life avoiding the need to go into a full time nursing home. It was agreed to write to Devon County Council to express concern about the manner in which the decision to stop 24 hour care had been taken- in particular the lack of transparency, lack of consultation, the criteria for the assessments and the results. The letter would be circulated to Members before being sent.

**iii) Meeting with Spectrum Housing Association-** the Chairman and Vice Chairman had met with the Spectrum Team Manager Pauline Watts and the Spectrum neighbourhood housing officer, Catherine Parker on 27 August.

1. Parking. It was agreed to fit a collapsible bar across the parking space. Only the doctors and Bishops Court medical staff would have keys. Other users would be told not to park there on surgery day.

2. Cleanliness. Hygiene in toilets. The cleaning rota would be checked on frequency. The Chairman and Vice Chairman had asked if the toilets could be checked on the day before the doctor arrived. Pauline Watts had said feedback from the doctors on dates of specific instances of hygiene problems would be helpful.

3. Plumbing. Pauline Watts had said that there had been problems with the boiler 'kettling' in the past i.e. making bubbling and gurgling noises. This was being investigated.

4. Room security. There had been a complaint that the door to the surgery had been left open. It had been decided to fit a Yale lock. The key had since been received and passed to Yealm Medical Centre.

A meeting would be taking place with the Yealm Medical Centre Practice Manager on 23 September. Members agreed that awareness should be raised of the surgeries held at Bishops Court. It would be helpful if surgeries were held on a certain day of the week. It was agreed Yealm Medical Centre would be asked to send a rota of the surgeries to be held which could then be placed in the Parish Magazine and on the Parish Council website notice board.

**iv) Termination of lease-** the Chairman of the meeting and Miss Cove were authorised to sign the letter of instruction and Terms and Conditions sent by Wolferstans Solicitors. It was agreed to confirm that the Parish Clerk was authorised to

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instruct Wolferstans on behalf of the Parish Council. Advice would be sought on the appropriate date to end the Licence with Yealm Medical Centre whilst encouraging the Surgery to enter into negotiations with Spectrum for their use of the consulting room to continue.

**189.3 DALC-** no Members were available to attend the AGM and conference 15 October 2015/South West Regional conference 10 November 2015.

### 190/15 CORRESPONDENCE

**190.1 Dementia Friendly Parishes-** Mrs. Hirst had reported committee members and Maxine had had a wonderful day at Yealmpton Show on the 29<sup>th</sup> July as guests of their great supporters, Saltram Rotary, on their stand. It had been good to meet so many of their supporters there and to thank them for their continued support and interest. Their Reading Group started again on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at The Parish Room, Yealmpton from 10.30-12.00 noon. This group provided the opportunity for people with dementia to enjoy reading in a safe supportive environment. The Art and Craft Club met on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and Monday 21<sup>st</sup> at 10.00-12.00 noon at the Community Centre in Yealmpton. Everyone was welcome to come and try a wide range of arts and crafts available on the morning ... or bring their own work to share...or catch up socially with Maxine and others for tea at Riverford Farm Shop on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 3.00- 4.30 pm. For local businesses and organisations they had recently produced a leaflet to raise awareness for customer facing staff helping people with dementia. To know about any of their activities or have information about Dementia Friendly Parishes around the Yealm people were advised to contact Maxine on 07450206312

**190.2 Mobile telephone coverage** – EE mobile signal had been down for three weeks in August. It was agreed Ms. Adams would draft a letter requesting EE make a community donation for the disruption and inconvenience for many people.

**190.3 Himalayan Balsam-**a parishioner had written to voice concern regarding the proliferation of Himalayan Balsam near Puslinch Bridge- which had a habit of blocking waterways. Devon County Council Public Rights of Way department had advised that it was a species requiring control by the landowner. As a waterside plant it would need to be dealt with by an approved contractor and likely to need Environment Agency Consent. It was agreed to report the matter to the Environment Agency. Yealmpton Parish Council would be copied in.

### 191/15. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

Cheque payments were authorised and signed in accordance with the schedule prepared by the Clerk, checked by Mr. Hussell and listed in Minute 192/15. In particular authorisation was given for emergency work undertaken with the approval of the Vice Chairman to repair a handrail on the public footpath leading from Riverside Road West to the foreshore which would cost in the sum of £45.

### 192/15 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<b>Santander Current Account</b> :	Total balance at 1.09.15	<b>£57775.42</b>
<b>The balance includes: Hedge Cutting Bond</b>		<b>£3000</b>
<b>Monies held on completion of Newton &amp; Noss Play Park Improvement Project</b>		<b>£36.02</b>
<b>Monies held in respect of the maintenance of the Revington Memorial Seat</b>		<b>£390</b>
<b>The following cheques were authorised totalling:</b>		<b>£2268.41</b>

<b>Chq No</b>	<b>PAYEE</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
1980	WI Community Hall	Hire fee NNPC Meeting 9 September 2015	£25.00
1981	WI Community Hall	Hire fee NNPC Meeting 24 September 2015	£25.00
1982	S. Cove	Travel expenses reimbursement	£24.00
1983	S. McDonough	Expenses - antivirus subscription renewal, postage & stationery	£84.18
1984	S.McDonough	Net salary-August	£1,216.18
1985	HM Revenue & Customs	Clerks monthly Tax & National Insurance	£294.77
1986	Zurich Municipal	LCAS seminar	£36.00
1987	JB Electrical	Sports Pavilion Electrical inspection/PAT testing	£100.00
1988	South West Water	Public tap; Pillory Hill 20/5/15-13/8/15	£14.50
1989	Spectrum Housing Group Ltd	Bishops Court consulting room- rent increase 25/6/15 to 31/7/15 & service charge increase 1/4/15-31/7/15	£56.40
1990	Spectrum Housing Group Ltd	Bishops Court Consulting room rent and service charge increase August and September 2015	£41.38
1991	M. Hingston	Newton Voss & steps cleaning August 2015	£124.00
1992	South Hams Garden and	Grass cutting; The Green 3/7/15,17/7/15,31/7/15,13/8/15 &	£80.00

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	Property Services	28/8/15	
1993	South Hams Garden and Property Services	Trim & clear public footpath	£15.00
1994	P.Burridge	Revington seat refurbishment	£132.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,268.41</b>

SO	Spectrum Housing Group Ltd	Bishops Court rent August 2015	<b>£342.93</b>
DD	BT	Broadband services 1/7/15-31/10/15	<b>£75.60</b>

\*Section 137 Local Government Act 1972 payments:£0 total to date;£75

### **193/15 MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

**193.1 Harbour Authority-** there was no report.

**193/2 Halls-** the Chairman advised that Miss Cove's sustainable markets were going very well. There had been no meetings of the Newton & Noss Village Hall Committee.

### **194/15 MAINTENANCE**

#### **194.1 Maintenance working groups-**

**i) The Greens, Newton Ferrers.** The Chairman and Ms. Adams had undertaken an inspection. A corner of the car park wall had been knocked which would be reported to Devon & Cornwall Housing Association. One of the benches had an uneven plinth. It was thought this was contained within the invitation to quote for annual maintenance. Funding may be available for wildflower planting-the group were considering whether to hold a meeting to investigate further. Risk assessments were pending.

**ii) Community Orchard-** an Apple Day would be held in October. Determination of the funding application made by Orchard Link was awaited. Regular inspections were being conducted.

**iii) Tennis Courts-** the Licence remained to be negotiated.

**iv) Car Park-** the Licence for access to Brookings Down Wood remained to be negotiated. Regular inspections were being undertaken.

**v) Play parks-** a parishioner had expressed interest in helping with Butts Park play park refurbishment. A meeting at the play park with the parishioner was due to take place. The SHDC Locality Officer Tim Pollard was to come back with a date to meet the group on site at the play parks. Risk assessments were pending.

**vi) Butts Park playing field-** risk assessments were pending. Mr. Hussell agreed to speak with the football club regarding the football posts and whether it was intended to make an application for grants to replace them.

**194.2 Rugby posts-** Mr. Green advised that £490 had been secured from the District Councillors Locality Budget towards the costs of the rugby posts. The quotes Mr. Green had obtained for installation had been very high. The costs could be mitigated if some of the work was undertaken by parishioners. It was agreed to submit an application to the Devon County Councillors Locality Budget for £1200 for the installation of the posts. The Clerk was waiting to hear from SHDC Development Management regarding planning permission.

**194.3 Other areas for consideration-** salt bin. Mr. Nick Colton DCC Highways Officer would be meeting with Mr. John Allen to discuss re siting the grit bin on Pillory Hill following construction work at The Old Post Office.

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**194.4 Play parks repairs-** two quotes had been obtained to repair the sand bucket/sand crane on the timber raft at Noss Play Park. Mr. Green advised that he had seen the bucket there and would retrieve it. The quotes would then be considered. A quote had been obtained to repair the Sucliffe play unit at Butts Park. A quote was awaited from SHDC.

**194.5 Tree Inspections-** three invitations to tender had been sent out. None had replied. The Clerk would renew the invitation to tender and send out to alternative contractors.

**194.6 Annual Maintenance-** three quotes had been sought. One company had replied. **RESOLVED:** To accept the quotation from Grounds Maintenance South West in the sum of £1963.45 subject to clarification of the position regarding the sand bucket and sand areas at Noss play park and the Sucliffe play unit at Butts Park play Park. (Vote; Unanimous)

*The Meeting closed at 9.35pm*