

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

Held on 28 November 2013

PRESENT Cllr. Cooper Mr. Tubb Mrs. Ansell Mr. Stitson Mr. Taylor

Mr. Hussell Mr. Matthews Mr. Carter

ALSO

PRESENT

Mrs. McDonough
(Clerk)

5 parishioner was present for part of the Meeting

OPEN FORUM

1 Whittingham Road, Collaton- the owner spoke in support of his pre planning application for an extension to provide ancillary accommodation for himself and his wife and to enable his daughter and her family to remain in the locality. A revised set of plans had been circulated to Members to review but had not yet been submitted to SHDC Development Control.

Land to east of 85 Court Road 37/2616/13/F- the applicant read out a detailed statement in support of his application.

Chelson Meadow- a parishioner reported that South Hams residents were being refused entry.

246/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE- there were apologies for absence from the Vice Chairman and Mr. Lyndon.

247/13 INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED - Members were invited to declare interests in the items for discussion during the course of the Meeting. No interests were declared.

248/13 DISPENSATION REQUESTS- none were made.

249/13 MINUTES –the Minutes of 24 October Meeting were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

250/13 PLANNING

Planning Inspectorate/SHDC planning decisions/withdrawals.

250.1 11 Court Road 37/2071/13/LB -Listed Building Consent for replacement of white uPVC windows with dark grey aluminium PPC double glazed windows. Application affected a Listed Building. **SHDC: Granted.**

250.2 The Shop at the Green 37/2056/13/F-application for renewal of extant planning application 37/1080/10/F for construction of first floor flat and alterations to shop front. **SHDC: Granted.**

250.3 Creacombe Farm, Yealmpton 37/2052/13/F-householder application for single storey side and rear extension to extend kitchen area and boot room, two storey bay extension to drawing room and master bedroom and replacement of windows to include some alteration to existing openings. **SHDC: Granted.**

250.4 Berberis, Lower Court Road 37/1649/13/F-householder application for the erection of new boundary wall with associated access gates. The site adjoined/affected a public right of way. **SHDC: Granted.**

250.5 Court House, Court Road 37/2429/13/TCA-works to Trees in a Conservation Area. **SHDC: Granted.**

250.6 Grass verge outside Farthings, Yealm View Road- a parishioner had made a request for a Tree Preservation Order. SHDC had declined the request.

Pre Planning Application

250.7 1 Whittingham Road, Collaton 37/2481/13/PREHH-planning policy for the area was discussed. The applicant advised that the neighbours had no objections. The Members agreed that there was no problem with the proposal in principle but would be concerned if it was contrary to planning policy. The planning officer would be advised.

Planning applications received

250.8 Berberis, Lower Court Road 37/2563/13/F-erection of replacement boathouse, wall, decking and renovation of quay and slipway. Affected a public footpath or right of way. DECISION: No objection. (*Vote: Unanimous*)

250.9 Land to east of 85 Court Road 37/2616/13/F-erection of a single dwelling with vehicular access and parking spaces. Affecting a public footpath or right of way. DECISION: No objection on the basis that the rules relating to development boundaries had changed. (*Vote: 4 in favour, 2 objections, 2 abstentions*).

250.10 Wind Turbine at SX6112 5391, Coyton, Yealmpton 21/2689/13/F- installation of a single 55KW wind turbine, with 25 metre hub height, 35 metre tip height and associated equipment. DECISION: Objection. (*Vote: 7 in favour of objecting, 1 abstention.*)

Trees

250.11 Riverholm, 103 Court Road 37/2600/13/TW- work to Tree Preservation Order Trees. South Hams District Council (Parish of Newton & Noss) (No.22) Tree Preservation Order 2003.Register Number of Notice; 3432.T1.Oak. Remove epicormic growth. Reduce crown by 2m in height.T2.Oak.Remove tree in height by 2 to 3m. DECISION: Support the Parish Tree Warden's recommendations. (*Vote: Unanimous*)

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250.12 Redlands, Court Wood- it was agreed to accept the invitation from the applicants to a site meeting in respect of a recently submitted planning application.

250.13 Revelarc-a Member commented that the developers appeared to be trying to accommodate residents' concerns at the public meeting on 20 November regarding access issues. A method statement had been requested.

250.14 80 Court Road- concerns had been expressed regarding development work including a hole potentially dug without a licence from DCC Highways not being lit at night, mud over the road that was not being cleared away, privately owned verges being damaged and working hours from 0730 until 10 causing nuisance. Members reported that the hole had now been filled in and it was hoped matters had calmed. Plant was however being left on the road during the day which had been reported to P.C.S.O. Andy Potter.

Design Panel-

250.15 Woodville- there had been no response to correspondence sent to SHDC regarding conduct of Design Panel Meetings. Totnes Town Council Clerk had sent an email in support.

250.16 Planning Concerns- a parishioner had copied the Parish Council in on a letter sent to SHDC Planning Department expressing concern regarding the increase in size and number of dwellings in the AONB area. Concern was expressed about the increases in property sizes and the sustainability of the level of development.

Members were due to be having a meeting with the Chairman of the SHDC Planning Committee Mr. Robert Steer and the Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee/Chairman of South Devon AONB Mr. Richard Foss on 5 December.

250.17 Planning Enforcement- it was agreed to accept the offer from Mrs. Helen Smart, SHDC Planning Enforcement Department, to meet with Members to discuss enforcement procedures.

250.18 Neighbourhood Planning – RESOLVED: To accept the offer from the River Yealm & District Association to undertake a Scoping Study, on a "without prejudice" basis, to investigate the practicalities and feasibility of undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish of Newton & Noss. (Vote: Unanimous)

251/13CORRESPONDENCE/CONSULTATION

251.1 Holy Cross War Memorial- The Parish Council considered a further request for restricted parking in front of the Memorial from the Yealm Branch of the Royal British Legion but agreed that their view remains unchanged and that there should be no restricted parking in front of the Memorial. Mr. Andrew Matthews offered to speak with the branch representative if there were further queries.

251.2 Devon County Council Waste Budget Review-the Council had no comment.

251.3 Public Conveniences- there had been no update from the SHDC Environment Services Manager.

252/13 AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS – Cheque payments were authorised and signed in accordance with the schedule prepared by the Clerk, checked by Mrs. Ansell and listed in Minute 253/13

253/13 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The following cheques were authorised totalling:

£247.50

Chq No	PAYEE		AMOUNT
1730	WIC Hall	Donation: Christmas Tree*	£25.00
1731	Newton & Noss Village Hall	Donation : Christmas Tree Lights*	£25.00
1732	The Society of Local Council Clerks	Membership Renewal 2014	£165.00
1733	Ricoh UK Ltd	Invoice for copies:1/8/13-31/10/13	£15.24
1734	South West Water Ltd	Public tap: Pillory Hill: 9/8/13-15/11/13	£12.69
1735	M.Hingston	Newton Voss & Steps cleaning: November	£82
1736	Plymouth Computer Doctor	Parish Council Computer repairs	£90
		Total	£414.93

*Section 137 Local Government Act 1972 payments:£50 Total to date;£435.60

254/13 MAINTENANCE

254.1 Luscombe May Tree Planting-it was agreed to suggest Tuesday lunchtime in January 2014 for the ceremony.

254.2 Yealm Road-Mr. Taylor advised that a parishioner had expressed concern about vegetation overhanging pavements below some properties between the Doctor's Steps and Wright's Lane. RESOLVED: To authorise payment of costs of up to £20 to cut back brambles and vegetation overhanging pavements below two properties along Yealm Road.(Vote; Unanimous)

254.3 Doctor's Steps- Mr. Taylor advised that the steps were in need of sweeping and vegetation being strimmed back and removed. The Clerk had sought three quotes for the work to be undertaken. RESOLVED; to authorise M & S Garden Services to sweep /strim and tidy the Doctor's Steps. (Vote: Unanimous.)

254.4 Areas for consideration;

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- i) Passage Woods** - a chestnut tree had fallen across the road at Passage Woods the preceding Friday. Although it had been removed, the riverside wooden fence has been damaged. Members advised that there was no orange warning tape in place. The Clerk would advise Devon County Council Highways Department.
- ii) Overgrown hedges**- a parishioner had passed over a list of areas where hedges were overhanging the highways and impairing lines of vision and narrowing roads. The list would be given to DCC Highways.
- iii) Road surfaces**- Members expressed concern regarding the condition of road surfaces in the Parish generally and in particular Newton Hill and The Fairway. The Clerk was asked to advise Cllr. Mumford that the Council would like to discuss this matter at the next Meeting.
- iv) Newton & Noss Village Hall**- the Parish Council had no objection to the Village Hall Committee's suggestion to remove the framed Parish Map attached to the Village Hall to enable both the map and railings to be repaired, with the map then being mounted on the stone wall where it would be better protected from the weather.
- v) Noss Hard signs**- it was agreed Mr. Stitson would mount both signs together by the boat rack.

255/13ADMINISTRATION-

255.1 SHDC Asset Transfer /Parish Asset Registration- the Clerk had telephoned Curtis Whiteford Crocker on 18 November and had left a request with the fee earner's assistant for a substantive progress report to be provided by Friday 22 November. The report had not been received. The Chairman had sent a letter of complaint to the Managing Partner on Monday 25 November requesting a substantive response and proposals to conclude matters by the date of the next Parish Council Meeting on 12 December.

255.2 Emergency Police Contacts- it was agreed to give the details for Mr. Carter, Mr. Stitson and Mr. Tubb as first points of contact, with the remaining Parish Council Members in reserve.

255.3 Councillor Vacancies- four applications for co-option to the vacant seats had been circulated to all Members prior to the Meeting and were considered. One application had been received following the closing date and it was agreed that that application could not therefore be considered. The applications put forward by Mrs. Fiona Evans from Membland, Mrs. Katie Guy from Noss Mayo and Mrs. Caroline Urry from Newton Ferrers were proposed and seconded. After careful consideration and voting; RESOLVED: Mrs. Fiona Evans and Mrs. Katie Guy were co-opted as Members of Newton & Noss Parish Council.

The unsuccessful applicants would be thanked for their applications. The Clerk would meet with the new Councillors to take their Declarations of Acceptance of Office prior to the next Meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.35pm