



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 8.17 .pm, at Bridgerule Village Hall.**

These minutes are provisional until signed by the Chairman at the next meeting.

**Present :** Chairman D. Hale, Vice-chairman F. Cogdell  
Councillors: K. James, J. McDougall, S. Cholwill, S. Whatmore, K. Bowditch, M. Tape, J. Trayford,  
In Attendance : Clerk.

**Apologies :** J. Philpott.

**Declarations of Interests:** The Chairman asked that interests be declared as they arise.

**Public Session :** No questions raised.

**3114. County Councillors Report :** Report given at preceding Annual Meeting.

**3115. District Councillors Report :** Report given at preceding Annual Meeting.

**3116. Police Report. :** Clerk gave a brief update from the May Teams meeting, held with PSCO J. McEldon. Several attempted burglaries had occurred recently in Holsworthy, CCTV had revealed the same 3 young men. The town council were in the process of upgrading the CCTV. HRPT are aware of drug related issues in Holsworthy and drug issues in Bridgerule were also discussed. Correct channels for reporting any small details or information were stressed, however insignificant they might seem, as these could help build a bigger picture, which would help the police take action on the issue. Crimestoppers, 101, or online to DCC Police or via the community link provided by PC Morgan, which had been circulated to councillors previously. Rural speeding discussed, Bradworthy are in the process of setting up a Speedwatch Group. Next meeting 29<sup>th</sup> June.

**3117. Council Meeting Minutes:** Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 18th April 2023 had been circulated to all councillors and the Minutes were agreed by councillors present and signed by the Chairman as correct. Proposed 1<sup>st</sup> KJ, 2<sup>nd</sup> JMD. All councillors in favour.

**3118. Matters Arising :** There were no matters arising.

**3119. To Receive Correspondence :** Clerk had received Marhamchurch Neighbourhood Plan, circulated to councillors, response to be sent in favour of the plan, Thank you card from two residents for the Coronation Tea. DH said he also wished to express grateful thanks to SC, KB and the hall for all the work done in organising this for the village. FC said it had been a lovely afternoon. Enforcement at TDC, re case E22-0315-UND, Melrose Cottage, the planning officer satisfied that the extension is on the same footprint and the case has now been closed,

Letter and leaflets for display from Ripple Energy, which would be displayed in the hall entrance for anyone wishing to seek further information on how to apply or buy shares in the Solar Park at Derril,  
PC Morgan re possibly drug use in the village,

Sent: PC Morgan x 2,

Letter to resident regarding Dog Bin siting along Middle Road.

**3120. Highways, Vas sign Co-ordinators and Speedwatch Update:** - DH thanked SW and FC for installing and moving Vas signs, now sited on SL15 and SL1 and proposed that SW and FC become the Co-ordinators, 2<sup>nd</sup> KJ, all councillors, in favour. SW reported on data harvested from SL1 from the 21<sup>st</sup> March onwards, that of 927 recordings on Vicarage Hill, 210 vehicles were travelling at over 30mph. Higher speeds were also noted between 9. am and 1.30pm.

Road Closure – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, Road from Borough Cross to Glendoone, Bridgerule, Outside Cow Barn near to Borough Farm, for SWWater. Alternative routes to be signed.

Speedwatch – JT reported that the registration was almost complete, with some online training to be done and then contact with the PSCO could follow. It was necessary that all processes were fulfilled, as data collected would be sent to the HQ in Exeter.

**3121. Accounts and Accounts due for payment** – Finance sheets had been circulated to councillors, Items due for payment this month were :  
DALC Annual Membership £204.88, G. Pollard Accountancy Fees £75.00, Clerks expenses ink and postage £35.98, SC Garden Maintenance, grass cutting £186.00,  
ROSPA, Playpark Inspection £102.60. SC said that she had written to Playforce regarding an issue highlighted within the report for them to make good, a spring was needed for the gate, DH to organise this and the Rubbish Bin needed to be secured if sited in the Playpark, it was agreed to move the bin to just outside the entrance to comply with the inspection.  
TDC Precept 1<sup>st</sup> instalment had been received, £5111.50.  
Current Account Balance as at 28<sup>th</sup> April agreed at £8498.97.  
Proposed 1<sup>st</sup> MT, 2<sup>nd</sup> KB, all councillors in favour.

**3122. Chairmans Report-** : Report given at preceding Annual Meeting.

**3123. Future Paperless Minutes, Planning Applications and Finance Sheets** : - KB had brought a projector screen and laptop to the meeting to demonstrate how the above could be viewed at meetings. As all the afore mentioned documents were circulated prior to meetings to all councillors it was agreed to proceed with this from the next meeting to reduce paper and ink costs. Clerk to liaise with KB regarding planning applications and downloads required. Proposed 1<sup>st</sup>, KJ, 2<sup>nd</sup>, SC, all councillors in favour.

**3124. Planning : 1/0339/2023/FUL- Demolition of existing barn and erection of 3 no: dwellings in lieu of Class Q approval 1/0753/2022/AGMB (re-submission of 1/1079/2022/FUL, Agricultural Building at Borough Farm, Bridgerule.**

Council feedback to TDC - “ The council strongly object to the application and hope it is refused. They note the Departure Notice on the application and that the proposed development does not have the same footprint. The council has concerns regarding vehicular access to the proposed development which would be via a small concrete access lane which is narrow.” All councillors in favour.

**1/0338/2023/FUL – Erection of 2 no: yard covers, Agrucultural Building at Elm Park, Bridgerule,**

Council feedback to TDC – “ The council support the application, all councillors in favour.

**1/0239/2023/FUL – Installation of 101 static caravans with infrastructure, Hedley Wood Caravan Park, Bridgerule,**

Council feedback to TDC - “The council wish to object to the application, on grounds of overdevelopment and overpopulation of the site. They have concerns about destruction and damage to flora and fauna. “

All councillors in favour.

Chairman informed for information only , 1/1078/2022/FUL- 3no; Glamping Units, Land at Dux Farm, Derril and 1/0212/2023/FUL- Second storey extension and balcony, Kilmarnock, Bridgerule, both applications granted permission.

**3125. Village Hall Update** – Report given at preceding Annual Meeting.

**3126. Grass cutting services at Littlebridge** - This had been previously undertaken by a resident living locally, and the council had paid and provided a green wheelie bin from TDC for the grass cuttings disposal. However, the contractor given the tender for other areas maintained by the council had offered to include this area and would dispose of the cuttings when mowed on a fortnightly basis. It was discussed and decided to use the contractor who had public liability insurance for the coming year. Clerk to write to resident thanking them for past services and to inform of arrangements for the coming season. Proposed 1<sup>st</sup>, SW, 2<sup>nd</sup>, DH, all councillors in favour.

**3127. To agree Four signatories for Bank Mandate to proceed with Bankline for Communities** – After discussion it was decided that KJ would be one of the signatories to be removed , along with the 2 others who were no longer serving councillors which would give four remaining which would comply with the Natwest conditions, to enable application to begin. Proposed 1<sup>st</sup>, KB, 2<sup>nd</sup>, JMD, all councillors in favour.

**3128. Clerks report** – Accounts had been received and the Annual Governance Accounting Statements prepared for submission to Auditors. Notice of Public Rights had been set to commence from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. Vat reclaim for October to March had been made. Jag Signs hoped to install the Carpark sign on the 24<sup>th</sup> May.

**3129. Exchange of Information** : - SC, the alleyway had become quite overgrown and not very accessible, particularly for members of the Coffee Club, when on route to the hall, JT said that it had been strimmed today, A house at Bridge Park, it had been noted and apparent that both gardens back and front were in a bad state, was it owned by Westward Housing and was it a condition that occupants had to keep the gardens in tidy condition? Clerk to write to Westward Housing when further details provided.

JMD- would like to offer Bluebells if anyone would like them,

JT – what was happening with the Bus shelter, FC he would organise the repairs to be done as soon as possible, provision had been made in the budget for this.

**3130. Meeting Closed 21.20pm.** Date of next meeting, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7.45pm.

**Signed by Meeting Chairman :** .....

**Date of signing :** .....