

To STRETE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Strete Parish Hall, Strete
Thursday 17th March 2016 at 7.00pm**

PUBLIC FORUM – No members of the public attended.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. J. Brazil –

- School crossing patrols have been saved.
- There has been a meeting of the Slapton Line Partnership. Everyone was agreed that the road must be maintained. Many different authorities worked to repair the damaged wall at Torcross and it is remarkable that the work has gone ahead so quickly, that a diversion was arranged allowing the traffic to use the Line and the repairs have resulted in a 100m stretch of the beach being protected with pilings which are expected to last some years.
- There is no further news on the road to Fuge so far as Highways are concerned.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT – Cllr. R. Foss –

- Council tax has been increased by £5 per household.
- The rubbish collection arrangements for the Parish will not change.
- Devolution – DCC, Somerset CC, Torbay & Plymouth are having discussions about devolution.
- SHDC is looking to set up a private company in order to be able to sell its services. This will be overseen by Members.
- Enforcement – there are now 2 teams, one to deal with current issues and 1 team to deal with the backlog. Members are asked to examine the list when it is published and to report any items which they consider are no longer appropriate.

PRESENT: Malcolm Hollis (Chair) , Kate Gill (Vice-Chair) Ralph Clark, Ian Cumberlidge, Harry Fenton, Louise Newman, David Rothwell

In attendance : S. Winstanley (Clerk), Cllr. Brazil , Cllr Foss

1. **APOLOGIES** – None

2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18th February 2016**

It was proposed seconded and *resolved* that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record following some amendments.

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. There were no Declarations.

4. **CLERK'S REPORT** –

- An email re. speeding motorcycles in the village had been received. Highways and the Police have been sent the email. In practical terms, policing will be difficult. Permission for the reactive sign will take some time.
- St. Ives PC backed by Cornwall CC is to include a restriction in their Neighbourhood Plan such that any new open market homes cannot be sold as second homes. A referendum is to be held.
- A representative of the Air Ambulance will make a report at the APM on the need for a Helipad site.
- The Parish Council can make a grant for the maintenance of the church clock.

5. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT _ K. Gill Vice Chair**

- Apologies for being absent so long. This was due to a protracted stay in hospital.
- Thanks to Kate Gill for holding the fort whilst I was away.

6 PLANNING: To be considered

3153/15/HHO – 40 Start Bay Park, TQ6 0RY

Erection of conservatory to side elevation

Following discussion it was *resolved* to support the application.

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Report by R. Clark on the Neighbourhood Plan

- Members of the Steering Group attending appointed Kate Gill as chairman for the meeting.
- Printed proofs of the Response Form / Household Survey document and Options Booklet (that will accompany the survey document) together with the envelope, were submitted for final approval.
- Minor printing issues were pointed out for correction together with discussions about changing some of the wording considered necessary to reflect the decisions taken on who should receive the survey documents.
- It was decided that the number of people in each household who are registered as being resident should be issued with a booklet and survey document in an unsealed envelope. Residency is to be based on the numbers provided from electoral information provided by South Hams District Council. Second home owners in the parish are to be invited to complete and return the survey.
- Their preferences are to be noted for consideration in the development process of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Arrangements were made to have the documents available from the printer by 10th March to be able to pass on to each volunteer for delivery. The documents were hand delivered to each registered property in the parish during the weekend 12th and 13th March.
- Discussions took place in respect of the process for hand delivering the documents. It was agreed that each available member of the Steering Group and Working Group would be provided with the address details of registered properties in the parish. Allocated address details were forwarded to each volunteer to carry out this task.
- The completed survey document is to be sealed in the envelope provided and posted in one of the ballot boxes provided at the Village Shop / Post Office, The Kings Arms or the Parish Hall.
- The target date to complete and post the survey document was agreed, by a majority decision, to be the 22nd March 2016.
- A PRIZE DRAW is to take place on 30th March 2016 where the first one drawn out of the box, that has contact details included on the survey form, will win £100.
- The return of the completed survey documents is the next step in the process. This will give the Steering Group members the information to form their objectives on issues prioritised by the community, to take forward and develop into policies.
- The objective for the next meeting will be to review and collate the returned survey documents to determine the priorities and workload over the coming months.

8. To consider quotes for re-instating a proper footpath from Hyne Town Estate to the Playpark and seeking funding from the Locality Budget.

Five quotes were sought and three have been received. After consideration, it was *resolved* to accept the quote from R. Sanders.

9. Update on the reed bed.

- Contacted the engineer from SWW, Paul Hoskins and met him on site.
- He sent an email following the meeting. The broken fence is within the site boundary but will be repaired. Signage will be erected so as to show the site is private property
- The reeds are working properly and producing good quality effluent. Weeds do grow on these sites as weed killers cannot be used for control but the grass will be cut to tidy up the site. The effluent is tested three times a week.

10. Report on the Slapton Line Partnership - K. Gill

Attended the meeting. There is to be a beach management plan for which funds will need to be raised. Various options were discussed. Minutes of the meeting to be circulated to Members.

11. Update on 'Clean for the Queen' – L. Newman

- Nine people attended the first 'clean', in atrocious weather, and 8 bags of rubbish were collected.
- A second clean resulted in 12 bags of rubbish.
- A third clean is to take place on the 24th April at 9am along the Totnes Road. Meet at Manor Farm.
- A report to 'Clean for the Queen' resulted in a pleasant response.

12. To confirm arrangements for the beacon lighting on 21st April.

The official beacon lighting will take place at 7.30 on the 21st April. It was agreed the PC will pay for the licence and there will be a ram roast.

13. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- a) Planning and Neighbourhood Plan - R. Clark - as above.
- b) Security – D. Rothwell – Will contact R. Foss re CPR training.
- c) Village Green – H. Fenton - The front hedge has been cut and the Alexanders cut back. Discussion took place as to how to manage Alexanders in the Parish . It was proposed a working party be arranged to remove them prior to flowering, next year. Clerk to email contact for Greenspace for grass cutting quote.
- d) Play Park – K. Gill – It was agreed quotes for repairing the spring closure for the gates and repairs to the half moon climbing frame are sought.
- e) Tree Warden – I. Cumberlidge – Many trees were damaged or downed by the fierce north wind. Members were asked to report any trees which needed urgent attention.
- f) Transport – L. Newman - There are many Alexanders on the road verges – action as above.

14. FINANCE

- a) To approve payment of the following cheques:
 - 1392 - £32.50 – Strete Parish Hall
 - 1393 - £192.00 – C. Ellis – Grass cutting & erecting sign
 - 1394 - £112.74 – Microcomms – Printer re. Transparency Code.
 - 1395 - £362.88 – S. Winstanley (reimburse re. tablet) – Transparency code
 - 1396 - £202.27 S. Winstanley – (March)
 - 1397 - £300.00 – Kingsbridge Websites
 - 1398 - £125.00 – M. G. Mounce – Ballot Box NP
 - 1399 – Cancelled
 - 1400 - £61.50 – Strete Parish Hall (NP meetings £38) (PC meeting £23.50)
 - 1401 - £100.00 – NP Prize
 - 1402 - £1391.46 – SHDC – NP printing
 - 1403 - £184.32 - S. H. Newspapers - Advertisement re. NP
- b) It was agreed the Clerk's hours be increased by 2 hours per month
- c) Cash at bank – £ 19,458.56

Resolved

15. CORRESPONDENCE - Strete Estate letter to Chair – replied.**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 20th April 2016 – Strete Parish Hall at 6.30
Annual Parish Meeting followed by PC meeting**

Signed

Chair

ACTION POINTS :

Clerk

1. To include a grant for the church clock in next agenda
2. To include payment for the licence for the beacon lighting in next agenda
3. To confirm to R. Sanders re. footpath
4. To email contact for Greenspace to H. Fenton