

**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Chagford Parish Council
held at Endecott House on Monday, 23rd January 2012 commencing at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllrs Bleakman; Mrs Haxton; Mrs Hill (Chairman); Lloyd Hill; Parrott; Sampson; Shears (during Min 335); Ms Stead; Ms Thorn; Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Coombe; d'Arch Smith.

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs Stone.

333 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- a) Cllr Lloyd Hill declared an interest in Min 338e
- b) Cllr Parrott declared an interest in Min 338c
- c) Cllr Sampson declared an interest in Min 338c
- d) Cllr Ms Thorn declared an interest in Min 338e

WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

334 West Devon Budget Meeting

Cllr Sampson reported his disappointment with the West Devon Borough Council consultation meeting in that it was a repetition of the one held by the DCC where attention was drawn to services which were either retained or enhanced. However, the Okehampton meeting drew a larger attendance. **Noted:**

335 West Devon 2015 Transformation Plan

Cllr Sampson stated the objective of this plan was to show how the South Hams District Council and the West Devon Borough Council were to share their services to 2015. Value and principles are to guide changes to improve services to community areas.

The Environment and Community Committee has accepted recommendation to change the parking charge structure for the charges to commence at 10am on Saturdays and Sundays beginning on the 1st April 2012.

Arising: The Clerk confirmed that letters from the WDBC in respect of increased maintenance charges for toilet maintenance and car parking charges had not materialized.

Resolved: i) Cllr Sampson to make enquiries in respect of the promised letters and seek further information re a breakdown of hourly charges for car parking; ii) a meeting be arranged between representatives of the WDBC; the Parish Council and the Business Association.

336 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

WDBC Devolved Services Workshop

Notice received of a Meeting to be held at the Watermark, Ivybridge on 31st January 2012 from 2pm to 4pm to discuss the development of shared services.

Resolved: i) Cllrs Mrs Hill and Cllr Bleakman to represent the Council at the meeting; ii) the Clerk to obtain the information to be made available before the meeting.

337 FINANCE

- a) The precept requirement for 2012/13 was discussed at length and concerns were expressed at increasing demands for contributions for maintenance of the toilets, in all, an increase of 30% since last year. In order to safeguard that and other pressures on the budget it was **Resolved** to increase the precept to £32,000.
- b) **Diamond Jubilee Celebration**
The Chairman informed the meeting that in order to hold a raffle as part of the Jubilee preparations, it is necessary to obtain a small lottery licence from the WDBC Licensing Office at a cost of £40
Resolved: The Clerk to remit the sum of £40 for this purpose.
- c) **Diamond Jubilee Celebration Account.**
The sum of £500 is to be transferred into a newly set up account with Lloyds Bank to finance arrangements for the Jubilee celebrations. A Bank mandate has been signed and three signatories appointed, namely Cllrs Mrs Hill (Chairman); Cllrs Bleakman and Sampson. **Noted:**

338 GROUP/REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Development Control Matters

Cllr Bleakman reported the recommendations of the meeting of the planning inspection group held on 10th January 2012, attended by Cllrs Bleakman; Mrs Hill (Chairman); Lloyd Hill and Parrott.

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that the following two recommendations were ratified.

- a) **0605/11 Holystreet Manor, Chagford**
Resolved: The Council is very supportive of the details of this application, which it considers satisfies the requirements of DNPA Core Policies 2; 3; 4 & 5 and detailed policies either retained or in the draft DMD
The Council is of the opinion that the Applicant has taken a sympathetic approach to both internal and external changes and significant effort has been taken to retain and sometimes restore the historic heritage of the building and grounds. It was also noted that all of the external changes were such that they did not damage the existing structural form of the building and therefore could easily be reversed should that be desired by a future owner.
- b) **0606/11 Holystreet Manor, Chagford – Listed Building Consent**
Proposed internal and external alterations including construction of atrium, garden room, pool house and pool.
Resolved: The Council supports the principle of all the proposed changes which it considers are sympathetic to the historical heritage of the building and as such satisfy the conditions of retained DNPA policies BL4; 5 & 6 or their equivalents in the draft DMD. In making this decision the Council is unable to comment on the specifics associated with the creation of new openings and closing of existing openings within the historic fabric.

Cllr Bleakman reported the recommendations of the planning inspection group meeting held on 20th January 2012 attended by Cllrs Bleakman (Chairman); d'Arch Smith and Parrott.

Cllrs Sampson and Parrott declared an interest in the following item and left the room

c) 0008/12 10 New Street, Chagford

Proposed convert basement and create new garage.

Resolved The Council objects to this application for the following reasons.

1. Given that this property is within the Chagford Conservation Area, the Council considers that the proposed ground floor window (replacing the existing garage door) to be out of scale with the existing windows on this elevation and as such does not satisfy DNPA Core Policy COR4a. (Demonstrate a scale and layout appropriate to the site and its surroundings, conserving or enhancing the quality and distinctiveness of the built environment and local landscape character.
2. The application does not include details of how the existing parking space, currently outside of the proposed location of the new garage, will be recreated elsewhere. It is the Council's opinion that this application should not be granted if an on-street parking space is to be lost.

Cllrs Sampson and Parrot returned to the meeting

d) 0312/12 Whiddon Farm, Chagford

Proposed installation of a 3.6Kw solar photo voltaic system on timber ground mount.

Resolved: No objection

Cllrs Ms Thorn and Lloyd Hill declared an interest in the following item and left the room.

e) 0162/11 Proper Job

Letter received from Mr R Gomme on behalf of Directors. Since the receipt of Mr Gomme's letter, a further planning application has been issued.

Resolved: The Clerk to acknowledge Mr Gomme's letter informing him that the matter will be dealt with at the next full Council Meeting following the recommendations of the planning inspection Committee.

Cllrs MsThorn and Lloyd Hill returned to the meeting.

339 ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENT.

The following account was approved for payment	£
3575 WDBC Licensing Officer – Raffle Licence	40.00

The Meeting Closed at 8.40pm

Confirmation of the Minutes

Dated.....

Signed.....