

WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES FOR THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
ON THURSDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2004

Present: Mr Maynard, Mr Street, Mr Hancock, Mr Perrett, Mr Bush, Mr Dennis, Mr Mander, Mr Burgess, Mr Tancock and the Clerk.

1. Apologies

PC M Davies, Mrs Harrogate, Mrs Crook, Mr Berry and Mr Ward.

2. Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence:

• **Willand Allotment Holders – Vehicular access and continued unauthorised access**

The Association have written to MDDC asking for extension to metal fence to prevent further vandalism. The letter has been sent to us for information only.

• **Willand Village Hall Committee – Various issues**

It was agreed that the board should still be in the main hall. The Clerk to respond.

• **Kentisbeare Parish Council – Recycling Centre – update**

Mr Dennis, Mr Burgess and the Chairman attended the meeting on 28 October. It was agreed that the area is an accident blackspot and is not considered a safe site for the recycling centre. The Chairman suggested that the fifth spur site would be appropriate. The Clerk to respond to DCC email asking where the site was and suggest contacting Kevin Finan.

• **MDDC – State of the District 2004 Forums – update**

Mr Pugsley has offered to attend a local meeting if required. It was agreed not to pursue this subject.

• **Funding & Management of Community Projects – Friday 3 December**

It was agreed not to attend this course.

• **Grounds Maintenance Work – Letter of introduction**

It was agreed to file the letter for future reference.

• **DCC – Adopted Devon County Minerals Local Plan**

The document was taken by Mr Burgess.

• **Cullompton Town Council – Local Development Scheme Response**

A copy of their response has been received. It was agreed that the Clerk to send a copy of our response to Kentisbeare and Cullompton.

• **MDDC Planning Services List**

The Planning Department are up to full strength now and a document stating who the staff are with contact details has now been received.

• **Blackdown Hills – Journal**

No one was interested in this document.

• **Email from Roger Perrett – Village Shield**

It was agreed that Mr Maynard would email a suggested header.

• **ACTIV8 Youth Project – Summer activities assistance**

Funding has been extended to next summer and they are hoping for assistance for next year. Clerk to copy for Clare Tucker and the Youth Club for their interest.

• **Office of the Deputy Prime Minister – New Ethical Framework Regulations**

The letter was read out at the meeting.

- **Devon Structure Plan 2001 – 2016 – Notice of Adoption and Written Statement**

Mr Perrett took the document to read.

- **Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership – Audit and Public Consultation**

The Partnership is trying to ascertain with crime is the most prevalent in our area. Comments or concerns are welcomed.

- **DCC – Devon Local Transport Plan 2006 – 2011, Consultation Document**

A new Transport Plan is due to be written and any comments are to be made. The document was taken by Mr Dennis.

- **MDDC – Grounds Maintenance Feedback**

The document was considered in full. It was agreed that

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2. The grass and bed cuts were disastrous this season.
3. Certainly not.
4. The Parish Field could certainly be maintained by the Parish Council only if the funds were provided for the additional work.

The Clerk to respond.

3. Minutes of the Meetings held:

- **Full Council 14 October**
- **Planning Committee 14 October**

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record.

4. Accounts:

- **Cheque signing**

Number	Gross	Details	
	£50.00	Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreath
	£65.99	MDDC	Waste Collection
	£885.00	Astra Printing Group	Parish Magazine
	£194.22	Inland Revenue	Tax & NIC for staff
	£99.76	Mrs N J Ashley	Payroll Uplift SCP18

- **Income this month**

Income has been received £882.00 from parish magazine, £78 from the allotments, £346 from the cemetery and £367.19 which is a refund from Miracle Design and Play.

5. Matters Arising:

- **Mid Devon District Councillors Burgess, Dennis and Ward**

Mr Burgess

The route for the transfer of its stock will be a stand alone registered landlord/housing association. That will be the preferred option but this will still depend on the tenants agreeing. Community Composting – a meeting is due to be held on November 16 to thrash out community composting being incorporated into the new collection schemes.

Mr Dennis

£54m will be the shortfall if the tenants fail to agree to the transfer proposed. This cost would be the estimated cost of bringing the current stock up to the suitable homes standard.

Mr Dennis is still pursuing the lack of sufficient doctor surgery services in Willand.

- **Devon County Councillor Berry**

Apologies received. A letter of support is required regarding the road maintenance budget. The Clerk to liaise with Mr Berry. Willand Parish Council agreed that the road budget should be increased.

- **Devon and Cornwall Police**

Apologies received. PC M Davies' report was read out during the meeting.

- **Health and safety issues reported**

One Stop. The Clerk to write another strong letter. Vivienne Pring to be contacted by everyone that has a chance to ring and complain, telephone 255255.

- **Parish Plan Steering Group update**

Quotes have been received for printing, a list of streets and numbers required has been received. The delivery date would be 16 Dec for the parish magazine so it was decided that the next drop of February would be chosen instead. Housing needs has been looked at again. Printing should be completed shortly. Collection will be 7th to 14th March. Next meeting 12 January.

- **Parish Lengthsman – areas for attention. Visit planned 15 to 19 November.**

It was agreed that the Clerk should report Lloyd Maunder gatehouse to first railway bridge, the hedge has encroached the road. Clerk to chase the 2 Horsechestnut trees that have died. Old village/new village island is very weedy.

- **Youth Shelter**

The Clerk has not received any comments regarding the youth shelter design. Agenda item for next meeting.

- **Remembrance Sunday – 14 November**

Please can as many Councillors attend as possible.

- **Cemetery Regulations**

The Clerk and the Chairman attended a course on Cemetery Regulations. Grave digging is of particular concern from a health and safety point of view. Guidelines are awaited from MDDC. A method statement will be required from undertakers as to how their grave diggers are operating. A software package may also be available to parishes to assist with the record keeping. The Clerk is to apply for more information regarding the possible maintenance of the closed churchyard, although extensive consultation would have to be undertaken.

- **Stoford Transport Ceased Trading**

Mr Tancock announced the cessation of the business. The majority of staff have been placed in alternative employment with the exception of 9 employees. A smaller new company has been set up to offer other services.

- **Village Carol Service – 5 December to be held at the Methodist Church**

It was agreed that Tony Mander would offer his services again.

6. Public Questions

Items to be tabled:

The Playing Field – Autumn 2004

Clerks and Councils Direct – November 2004

Trade Waste News – October 2004

Local Councils Update