Minutes of Horsington Parish Council Meeting

On Thursday 10th January 2019 at St Margaret's Hall, Horsington

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Public Forum

The owners of a neighbouring property to planning application 18//03953/OUT raised concerns about the application and asked the Parish Council to oppose it.

County / District Councillors Reports

W Wallace reported that Somerset County Council's finance are not as bad as previously thought and, thanks to Central Government grants, are forecast to be within budget.

114. Members Present and Apologies

- a. Members present: Mrs J Pyne (Chair), Mrs B Mann, Mrs A Clayton & I Snowden.
- **b.** Public present: D Chapman (Clerk), W Wallace & 4 members of the public.
- **c. Apologies:** Mrs D Gay, Mrs J Hodges, M Tucker & H Burt.
- 115. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations –none.

116. Approve the draft minutes of the meeting on 13th December 2018

Proposed by I Snowden and seconded by Mrs B Mann.

117. Matters arising from minutes

Clerk reported that a letter has been sent to the resident of Foxcombe Lane informing him that the Parish Council will not be paying for the salt/grit for filling the grit bin.

118. Planning

Applications:

18/03565/FUL Coombe Cross Farm, Tower Hill, Horsington BA8 – creation of an agricultural access – **no objections.**

18/03953/OUT Land Adjoining Barley Lands, Cabbage Lane, Horsington – the erection of 1 No. new dwelling (outline application with all matters reserved). Councillors confirmed that they had received a copy of a letter from the neighbours that opposed the application. One Councillor abstained and the remaining Councillors were opposed to the application. These Councillors felt that the building was a tight fit on the plot and that it did not meet the criteria set out in planning policy SS2.

There were also concerns about the access to the site and the increased traffic on Cabbage Lane and it's junction with the A357.

19/00028/TCA The Mead, South Cheriton BA8 0BG – notification of intent to carry out tree surgery works to 1 No. tree within a Conservation area – **no objections.**

Determinations:

18/02075/FUL The Hollies, Cabbage Lane, Horsington BA8 0DA – demolition of existing dwelling and agricultural building and erection of a replacement dwelling together with change of use of land to domestic garden with the formation of new access and driveway – application withdrawn – **noted**.

18/03453/HOU 27 Lower Lodge Road, Horsington BA8 0EF – alterations to fenestration to the rear elevation to include insertion of 2 No. new windows, 2 No. new roof lights and change of openings of 3 No. existing windows to match existing – granted – **noted.**

William Wallace left the meeting at 20:10

Other: none

119. Restoration of Finger Post Signs

Mrs A Clayton reported that a local resident has repaired the 'Templecombe' arm for the finger post opposite the White Horse Inn in South Cheriton and would reinstate it soon.

Mrs Clayton also reported that a company in Chard is going to quote to repair the sign at Mead Lane. She said that it is hoped that enough money has already been raised to cover the cost.

120. Finance

a. Authorised Cheques

1137 - £168.00 - D Chapman - Clerk's salary January 2019

1138 - £32.59 - D Chapman - Clerk's expenses December 2018 & January 2019.

b. Monies Received

£75.00 for the interment of R Hodges in plot F19.

121. Play Area

It was reported that a grey car has been blocking the gate to the large play area. It was agreed to monitor the situation.

122. Cemetery / Churchyard

Mrs Pyne has asked S Hawkins to cut the yew trees in the Cemetery.

I Snowden reported that he has looked at the railings in the Churchyard and will deal with them. It was agreed that the gate leading from the Churchyard to Horsington house needs to be repaired or fenced off. Clerk to contact the Diocesan Office at Wells to check what the Parish Council's responsibilities are.

123. Horse Pond

I Snowden gave an update regarding the removal of silt from the silt trap. A local farmer has offered to have the silt put on his land and offered the use of a trailer. It is thought that a local farmer could provide the equipment to remove the silt from the silt trap. The exact timing would have to be agreed.

I Snowden also reported that he now has the tool for raising the sluice gates.

124. Footpaths

Mrs J Pyne will check the list of footpaths supplied by Somerset Council and respond if anything needs to be changed.

125. Newsletter

It was reported that M Tucker would write an article about the Play Area project.

126. Correspondence

South Somerset District Council - Rural Housing Plan Consultation - noted.

127. Any other business of importance – none.

Meeting closed 21:25

Date of next meeting: Thursday 14th February 2019