

# HOLNE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held in Holne Village Hall on Tuesday 5 December 2017 at 7.30pm

### Present

Cllr B Owen (Chairman), J Bellamy, D Higman, E Ross, G Simpson and A Vince

### Also present

Suzanna Hughes (Clerk), District Cllr Smerdon, County Cllr Hosking and one member the public

The meeting was opened at 7.30pm.

051217.01	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> Apologies were received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cllr T Crook</li><li>• Ross Gray (Tree Warden)</li></ul>
051217.02	<p><b>Open Forum</b> There were no comments from the public.</p>
051217.03	<p><b>District and County Councillors' Report</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Hosking</b> reported that the Parish Council has now been supplied with a link to the assets and drainage map which can be used to report defects. DCC is now considering its budget. Council tax is likely to increase to the maximum level. A discussion is taking place about public health nursing and bringing it back in-house. DCC is going out to tender for a new contract for the remainder of childrens' services. At a recent Resilience Forum, anti-terrorism was discussed and a telephone number has been published to report anything suspicious – 0800 789 321. Similarly, a telephone number is available for anyone in need of help from domestic abuse – 0345 155 1074.</p> <p><b>Cllr Smerdon</b> commented on the result of the One Council vote and the ramifications. He also advised that one of the SHDC Executive Directors is leaving. SHDC is in the process of setting its budget. Public toilets are under scrutiny. Income generating ideas are also being considered including running a lottery and renting out beach huts in Salcombe.</p>
051217.04	<p><b>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation</b> Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and to declare any disclosable interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they have in any items to be considered at this meeting. Unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a Councillor would have been aware of such before the meeting.</p> <p>7 There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.</p>
051217.05	<p><b>Ratification of Minutes</b> Members present received the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7 November 2017 and agreed unanimously that they be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.</p>
051217.06	<p><b>Finance and Governance</b> 6.1 Members approved the following payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cheque no 798 - RBL Poppy Appeal - £22</li><li>• Cheque no 799 - Birbeck Landscaping - £270</li></ul>

	<p>6.2 Members received a first draft of the budget for 2018/19. It was agreed that this would be discussed further and agreed in January's meeting.</p>
<b>051217.07</b>	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>7.1 New applications: None received</p> <p>7.2 Decisions: 7.2.1 0403/17 – Renovation of dwelling and replacement of conservatory and lean-tos with single storey extension at Higher Butts, Holne</p> <p>Members noted that DNPA has granted conditional planning permission.</p>
<b>051217.08</b>	<p><b>Defibrillator</b></p> <p>Members were informed that Teign Heartbeat is unable to deliver any training at the moment. The Chairman suggested that, as an interim measure and in order to inform as many people as possible about the defibrillator, she would visit groups who use the hall to let them know about it. A formal training would be arranged with Teign Heartbeat as soon as possible.</p>
<b>051217.09</b>	<p><b>TAP Fund</b></p> <p>Members considered three suggestions for projects which could benefit from a grant from the TAP fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supper Club</li> <li>• Two canopies for the new marquee</li> <li>• Retarmacing the village hall car park</li> </ul> <p>After consideration of each suggestion, it was agreed to submit an application to assist with the cost of retarmacing the village hall car park. It was noted that the surface is breaking up and it is becoming a health and safety problem. The car park is also an important village amenity and is heavily used by hirers of the hall, locals and visitors due to lack of village parking. It was confirmed that a sum of £1,167.39 is required. The total cost of the project is £2,234.78.</p>
<b>051217.10</b>	<p><b>Playpark</b></p> <p>Members received a request from Playpark to write to SHDC/Allianz regarding the inspection reports. A copy of the draft letter was circulated for approval. Members approved the letter and it was agreed that it should be sent.</p> <p>Quotes are being sought to carry out some tree and hedge work. Advice has been sought from the Tree Warden, Ross Gray.</p> <p>Funding for the new gate from Dartmoor Communities Fund has been approved. This will now be ordered.</p> <p>The next meeting is planned for 8 December.</p>
<b>051217.11</b>	<p><b>Leats</b></p> <p>No issues were reported.</p>
<b>051217.12</b>	<p><b>Potholes, highway maintenance reports and other highways issues</b></p> <p>12.1 It was agreed to defer discussion about the Community Road Warden Scheme until the next meeting. Cllr Hosking confirmed that Chapter 8 training is still free.</p> <p>12.2 Correspondence had been received from a parishioner who had copied in the Parish Council in</p>

	<p>their communication with Devon County Council regarding the condition of the highway through Hembury Woods. This was noted. Cllr Hosking was advised that the condition of the road in this location had been reported to Devon County Council on a number of occasions and white markings suggested that work was planned. The markings have now rubbed off and no work has taken place. Cllr Hosking suggested marking the road on the asset map and sending the Highways Officer a copy.</p> <p>12.3 Cllr Higman commented that the recently installed concrete gulleys installed by DCC at Chase Gate are not adequate to keep water off the road and that a bigger drain is required. This was noted by Cllr Hosking.</p> <p>It was suggested that the Parish Council invites the Highways Officer for a walkabout of the village/parish in February with members so that he can familiarise himself with the area and hotspots and the local issues.</p>
<b>051217.13</b>	<p><b>Clerk's or Councillors' reports on matters authorised by the Council at previous meetings not otherwise on this agenda</b></p> <p>None</p>
<b>051217.14</b>	<p><b>Chairman's urgent business for action by the clerk if covered by delegated powers or for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting</b></p> <p>Members were advised that there will be community carol singing on 23 December.</p>
<b>051217.15</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>None</p>
<b>051217.16</b>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>It was confirmed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held on 9 January 2018 at 7.30pm.</p>

The meeting closed at 9.23pm.

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**Cllr B Owen**  
**Chairman**