



Minutes of Full Council meeting 5th March 2019

Present	Chairman Cllr Willis, Cllrs Dodd, Payne, Cardew, Simpson, Chudley, Jeffery, Hodges, Wimberley and Austin (part)		
In attendance	County Councillor Jerry Brook (part) and Julie Lammin		
Apologies accepted	Cllrs Arnold and Musialski		
Dispensations	None		
Public Session:	<p>7 members of the public were present.</p> <p>A member of the public stated that despite continuous dialogue with the Dartmoor National Park Authority's (DNPA) Planning Officers over the past three years he has recently had a planning application declined. He asked if the Parish Council were able to offer any advice. Cllr Jeffery responded recommending he speak at the DNPA Development Committee meeting in April at which his application will be discussed. The Chairman commented that the DNPA's inconsistency has been reported.</p> <p>Revised plans for developing the Green Hill old school site were presented by the applicants and architect. They had consulted with DNPA and Historic England and will be submitting an application soon. In summary the scheme included 3 houses; 2 cottages facing onto Fore Street roadside and one larger low key house facing north. The plan included garaging and courtyards. Appreciating the importance of the site to the town they are holding a public meeting on Saturday 23rd March 10am-12pm at the Parish Hall.</p>		
Item No	Topic	Discussion points	Outcome/action
30/2019 Cllr Jane Willis	Approve minutes of the council meeting dated 05.02.19	Draft minutes had been circulated with the agenda.	Proposal: that the minutes are accepted as a true record Proposer: Cllr Austin Seconder: Cllr Payne Carried One abstention
31/2019 Cllr Jane Willis	Matters arising not on the agenda – for report only 1. Item no.150/2018 1. Queens Road – meeting	County Cllr Brook reported he has received two different figures for the cost of bringing the road up to a standard that would allow Highways to adopt it. He is trying persuade Highways to investigate by core sampling to provide a better estimate of likely cost.	Noted.
32/2019 Cllr Jane Willis	Matters under Chairman's discretion 1. Annual Parish meeting – 26 th March 6.30pm-8.30pm at the Parish Hall 2. DNPA project - 'Moor than meets	The meeting will focus on the local elections, achievements and future plans. Plans for signage for the Wray Valley Trail are progressing.	Noted. Noted.

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	3. Fair Trade – town status	Since requesting support for the initiative to have the town registered with fair trade status, Lionel Holmes will be meeting with the Co-op manager to discuss how to progress this.	Noted.
	4. Clerk's salary increase	In line with NALC/DALC recommendations arrangements have been put in place to increase the Clerk's salary from April by 33p per hour.	Noted.
	5. Devon Air Ambulance night landing site – Sports Centre	The work has been satisfactorily completed. An opening ceremony is planned for Saturday 23 rd March with tea and cakes. Thanks to the Sports Centre staff, Lynn Bartlett and Toby Russell who hopefully will all be present.	Noted.
33/2019 Devon County Councillor Jerry Brook	County Councillor's Report	<p>Cllr Brook reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCC has approved next year's budget which includes savings of £13.5m. Adult Services and Children and Young People services budgets are increased. Savings have been made in Corporate Services. Highways have received additional funding of £18.5m from government, a chunk of which is allocated to drainage. Funds are available for public rights of way to improve footpaths in poor condition. • DCC's commitment to climate change (carbon neutral) has been amended from 2030 to 2050. • Progress on Green Hill's request to purchase the freehold of the building will be reported at a future meeting • Cllr Austin requested to meet with County Cllr Brook. He had a number of concerns including the condition of pavements, grit bins, condition of various local roads and lack of progress on the Exeter Road roadworks. 	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Cllr Brook will contact Cllr Austin.</p>
34/2019	<p>Council representatives on working groups, clubs and organisations.</p> <p>1. Marketing Moreton Working Group (MMWG) – Cllr Jane Willis</p>	Work is progressing on the website image re-fresh plans. A joint event with MDT (MBA) to gauge interest in the possibility of reviving or renewing a local Business Association was held on 28 th Feb. Approx. 30 people came	<p>Proposal: to seek permission from the relevant authority for a notice board at Court Street car park instead of using the fence</p> <p>Proposer: Cllr Simpson Seconder: Cllr Jeffery</p>

		including younger and self-employed people. There was interest in setting up a business forum/social media page for business to share ideas etc. Approx. 135 copies of the book of images have been sold so far. The group suggested putting a large notice board for event on the pavement at Court Street car park (where the private fence is currently used). There was support for this suggestion but felt it would need monitoring for inappropriate or out of date information.	Carried.
	2. Local Plan Response Group (LPRG) – Cllr Vivienne Hodges	The town survey comments have been annotated so they are anonymous and are on the website. It is planned to forward this information to relevant organisations such as the school, GP surgery etc with a covering letter offering to meet and discuss if it would be helpful. The letters will help to communicate that the community is appreciative and also help to voice community concerns. The survey feedback is very useful in informing the Parish Council about how the community feels about a living and working in the town.	Noted.
	3. NEDcare – Cllr Jane Wimberley	The office has moved to the hospital building. In 2018 it provided 4095 hours of care. It currently has 22 clients and 18 staff Over the last 3 months growth was at 18%. Demand continues to outstrip supply and recruitment is essential. NEDcare is subsidising local authority care payments by £2,500 per month from funds donated by the League of Friend of Moreton Hospital, which is not sustainable. A higher rate from DCC is being negotiated. Funding streams are being investigated and training on how to develop a sustainable model of care undertaken. The last Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection was good.	Noted.
	4. Friends of Moreton Library – Cllr Jane Wimberley	The group remains committed. The library continues to be well used with volunteers providing 3 extra hours a week opening. This happens in only 3 other libraries out of the 50 in Devon. Approx. 75 children took part in the summer reading challenge. Fund raising events are planned to add to the £2000 currently raised which is mainly earmarked for decorating.	Noted.

	<p>5. Moretonhampstead Primary School – Cllr Vivienne Hodges</p> <p>6. Moretonhampstead Development Trust (MDT) – Cllr Penny Simpson</p> <p>7. Moreton Association for Youth (MAY) Moretonhampstead Bowring Library Charitable Trust – Cllr Jane Willis</p>	<p>The school is part of South Dartmoor Academy which means the main decisions made by the Academy Trustees. It had a good Ofsted report. The Head teacher is very supportive of community activities. It has a capacity of 180 pupils, currently there are under 140 pupils. The pre-school moved to school which has been very successful. As always funding remains challenging and staffing figures are adjusted as necessary.</p> <p>A possible purchase of freehold of Green Hill is being discussed with DCC. The Trust has provided advertising support to the Post Office which is currently up for sale. There is no news on the sorting office moving. Regarding MDT finances, there is an over spend due to fire safety upgrades. Green Hill Arts income is very good and has an increased footfall from 6k to 7k last year. Knead to Connect - food & bread initiative with Liz Gavrilenko is going well. The Wellmoor room at the hospital is currently underused as is the community bath. Wellfest, a festival of wellness held in the New Year was very successful. The result of a funding application for the Cycle hub is awaited. Liz Gavrilenko is a new Trustee.</p> <p>Cllr Willis reported on behalf of Cllr Arnold. A bid to the Big Lottery Reaching Communities fund for £105k was successful. This covers ongoing costs and will cover staff costs for the next 5 years.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
<p>35/2019 Cllr Jane Willis</p>	<p>1st round 2019/20 Grant application for consideration:</p> <p>1. Flag Festival Community Club</p>	<p>The Clerk requested the Council consider the two grants received without recommendation from the F&P Committee given the timescales for approval before the end of this council's term. The Chairman outlined both applications and confirmed the agreed amount allocated for grants in the 2019/20 budget is £1626.</p> <p>£300 requested to help with costs involved in repairing damaged flags mainly caused from winds. It was noted that the flag festival is in its 8th year and help celebrate other town events such as Music Day and this year St Andrews Flower Festival.</p>	<p>Proposal: to grant £300 as requested Proposer: Cllr Dodd Seconder: Cllr Simpson Carried with 1 vote against and 2 abstentions</p>

	2. Community Club	£100 requested to fund a custom made banner and base to promote coffee mornings. It was noted that the Community Club coffee mornings are part of the town's Saturday morning activities.	Proposal: to grant £100 as requested Proposer: Cllr Dodd Seconder: Cllr Cardew Carried
36/2019 Cllr Mike Jeffery	District Councillor's Report	Cllr Jeffery reported Teignbridge District Council is looking into providing points for electric cars at its offices. Also for future developments to provide these in their designs. There will also be a requirement for taxi's to have lower emission limits.	Noted.
37/2019 Cllr Jane Willis and David Cannon	Bidder Memorial To agree planning application for submission	Standing orders were relaxed and David Cannon invited to present a proposed planning application for the Bidder memorial at Geneva Island. A draft application and images were circulated. DCC own the land and are in support of the proposal. The Insurance implications have been investigated and with the Council's current insurers, Came and Co, the premium will increase by £45 per year which will provide cover for £10k. Funding for the project will cover the additional insurance for 5 years, should it not then David Cannon and John Dodds offered to meet the cost. There was support for the application with the suggestion to replace the flower bed with either sets or gravel. It was noted that the grid reference was incorrect. Standing orders were re-instated.	Proposal: Accept planning application proposal and for it to be submitted , noting the generosity regarding additional insurance preium. Proposer: Cllr Dodd Seconder: Cllr Payne Carried
38/2019 Cllr Bas Payne/Cllr Vivienne Hodges	Bowring Building Acquisition Update report and consider possible planning application	Further investigations relating the use of the upper floors have been made. Viability of business offices is uncertain and could be competition for other providers in the town. Conversion to flats would give better income stream although it was not certain if they would need to be classed as affordable. If this were the case it could cause problems if the building was sold. The Trust sought approval from the Parish Council to prepare a planning application to convert the upper floors into accommodation. The draft application would be presented to the Council before submission.	Proposal: approval for the Trust to prepare a planning application for conversion which will be presented to the Parish Council for approval before submission Proposer: Cllr Jeffery Seconder: Cllr Wimberley Carried
39/2019 Cllr Paul Dodd	Open Spaces 1. Monthly report (Attachment no. 1) 2. Open Spaces Ground Works	The report was circulated before the meeting. In addition a wild flower sign has been put up in the churchyard and the wreaths removed from the War memorial. The contract for open spaces ground works is due to be renewed from July	Proposal: to make the agreed changes as discussed and for

	Tender July 2019	2019. A draft tender document was circulated before the meeting. The document included changes from the previous tender to take into account a new approach to encourage the growth of wild flowers and support insect and small vertebrate habitats. It also included reduced number of cuttings in the churchyard and additional grass verges from the Chagford Cross roundabout. Various elements of the tender were discussed. It was suggested that the wild flower area should be cut in August and November rather than in August and early spring and that the verges should be cut right back to the hedge/bank/wall once a year to stop brambles etc.	the Clerk to send the amended tender out for applications Proposer: Cllr Payne Seconder: Cllr Hodges Carried
40/2019 Cllr Jane Willis	Approve accounts (Attachment no. 2)	A list of payments was circulated for comment.	Proposal: Approve the accounts Proposer: Cllr Chudley Seconder: Cllr Payne Carried.
41/2019 Cllr Jane Willis	Correspondence	No additional correspondence. Cllr Willis reported she responded to an email from a member of the public with concerns regarding Station Road traffic, school bus etc.	Noted.
The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm			
Public Session: Peter Rich DNPA Ranger introduced himself. He stated he was responsible maintaining footpaths and bridleways for a large area. The Clerk has his contact details should any issues need reporting.			
Signed: Cllr Jane Willis (Chairman)			
Next meeting: 2 nd April 2019			

MPC Minutes 5.3.19 Attachment no.1

Open Spaces Monthly Inspection Report –
Inspection carried out by: Paul Dodd

Date: March 2019

Area	Comments	Action
The Sentry	Fence close to Exeter road needs attention	Investigating who owns it and contact contractor
Churchyard	All ok	All looks very tidy
The Play Area	All ok	None
The Henge	Flower club still maintain	Permission given for Purchase of plant supports.
The Pound	Looks good	None
Cross Tree	All fine	None
Geneva Island/War Memorial	All ok	None
Wheelwright's wheel	Ok	None needed
Allotment	All fine.	None
Seats/benches/Lamp posts	All fine	None
Gates and Railings	All fine.	Nothing needed
Bus Shelter	All ok	None
Recycling	All checked once a week	All ok

Litter pick on Courtney fields and Betton Way.

3 road direction signs reported to DCC for repair (Court St and Uppercott Cross)

MPC Minutes 5.4.19 Attachment no.2

MANDATORY PAYMENTS FEB 2019 (Mar meeting)	AMOUNT (inc VAT)	PAYMENT METHOD
MDT (office rent) - paid	308.82	Direct debit
J. LAMMIN (Clerk's salary) - paid 27/2/19	1164.29	Online transfer
PENINSULA PENSIONS (employer's and employee's contribution) - paid 27/2/19	370.68	Online transfer
HMRC (PAYE and NI - quarterly) - not due		Online transfer
OTHER PAYMENTS AUTHORISED		
TALK TALK (telephone and internet) - paid 01/02	37.84	Direct debit
MDT (Banner for local election)	40.79	Online transfer
J. LAMMIN (expenses - dropbox renewal & posts for churchyard sign)	85.59	Online transfer
G.LINGARD (website/social media updates Dec, Jan & Feb)	180.00	Online transfer
R. AUSTIN (2 burials)	880.00	Online transfer
R. AUSTIN (churchyard maintenance & Pound/Henge)	140.00	Online transfer
TNE UNION INN (business association event - refreshments)	95.30	Online transfer
ST ANDREWS (flower festival - flower arrangement sponsor)	30.00	Online transfer
COMMUNITY CLUB (5/3 Full Council)	15.00	Online transfer
TOTAL	3,348.31	