

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING  
OF  
DREWSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL  
Drewsteignton Village Hall  
On  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Present: Cllrs Savage ( Chairman), Gosnay, Ridgers, Walker, Mudge, Hester, Dyke, Hardie, Power and the Clerk

Apologies: None

In attendance: 7 members of the public

**97.11 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**ACTION**

Cllr Mudge proposed and Cllr Gosnay seconded the minutes of the meeting of the 16th May 2011.  
Cllr Mudge proposed and Cllr Gosnay seconded the minutes of the planning meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

**98.11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Chairman reminded the Cllrs present of the need to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in respect of any items included on the Agenda.

**99.11 MATTERS ARISING**

Clerk still waiting to hear re missing post box at Bowden Cross Crockernwell. Clerk to chase.

**Clerk**

Correspondence received from James Anstee Devon County Council in respect of the restricted parking outside Drewsteignton Post Office. The cost estimate was £900. This comprised an estimate for the legal cost of the traffic order at £500 and the cost of the signing and lining at £400. It is possible that the legal costs could come in less and any difference would be returned. There were a couple of details to be confirmed though: 1). Times of operation. Originally proposed as 30minutes limited waiting 9am-5pm Monday-Saturday. This was suggested to be changed to Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm and Sat-Sun 9am-12. It was agreed that this was still the case. 2). Yellow lines. Whether the owners of the cottage on the corner would prefer to see yellow lines or leave unrestricted? As previously discussed an exemption for the post office vehicle within the three proposed 30 minute limited waiting bays can be accommodated. Cllr Mudge to discuss with Mr and Mrs Maynard and report back to the Clerk to reply to James Anstee.

**Cllr  
Mudge**

**Clerk**

Sanctuary Housing Whiddon Down have replied to say that they are researching the position at Whiddon Down of an under-occupied house.

No reply has been received from DNPA in respect of the Post Inn. Clerk to chase to enquire as to what action has been taken.

**Clerk**

Correspondence has been received from DNPA in respect of Fingle Shoot. It was agreed the Clerk would reply asking that they publish shooting days more effectively perhaps using the Parish Post and ask for a copy of the Plan which has been submitted to DNPA.

**Clerk**

**100.11 HIGHWAYS**

PCSO Rebecca Tolley has been allocated to work within our community and has recently undertaken speed monitoring in Whiddon Down for 40 minutes. 88 cars were monitored and 4 were exceeding the limit sufficiently enough to be given words of advice. It was agreed to ask her along to a future meeting.

**Clerk**

A response has been received from the Highways Dept in respect of all the outstanding highways issues within the Parish. All potholes have been logged upon the highways system to be dealt with. Any works to signs will not be undertaken due to the financial cutbacks.

**101.11 PLANNING**

DNPA – 0273/11 – Shilstone Drewsteignton. Amendment to an existing approval to include an external door, rather than window with some internal layout changes. Councillors decided to make no comment.

DNPA 0281/08 and 0282/08 Pixies Cottage Chagford. Renewal of extant permission for removal of exist 2 storey extension and erection of new rear two storey extension. Councillors decided to make no comment.

**Clerk**

Clerk to inform relevant authorities.

Decision received – DNPA - 0179/2011 Homelands Crockernwell. Granted.

WDBC 01432/2011 - Dartmoor View Caravan Park, Whiddon Down. Granted.

Nick Savin planning enforcement officer has reported that the position at Westford is still under review.

Mr D Puddick addressed the meeting about the use of land at Crockernwell for storage and sale of

**Clerk**

caravans .After discussion it was agreed the Clerk should write to DNPA stating the concerns over the safety of the junction due to the speed of traffic in Crockernwell and also asking if the usage that the present occupiers of the units in the enclosed land, complies with planning permission already granted. If not can any appropriate action be taken.	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>102.11 FINANCE</b>	<b>Clerk</b>
Cllr Gosnay proposed and Cllr Power seconded the following payments to be made; Mrs J Bowden – Clerk’s Salary £368.34 Mrs J Bowden – Clerk’s Expenses £31.54 Whiddon Down Village Hall – Hire of Hall £9 Mr M Rowe – WC Cleaning £73.50 Parish Mag Printers Ltd - £106 EmanuelHendry Ltd – Playing fields equipment £3387	<b>Cllr Savage/ Gosnay/ Mudge/ Walker</b>
A grant of £5,645 has been received from the playing fields committee towards the cost of the new equipment.	
<b>103.11 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
It was agreed to vote for Mr C Dumbleton, Mrs G Hill and Mr E Sweet as candidates for the DALC County Committee for 2011-2015.	
There is a DNPA planning workshop on 14 July 2011. Cllr Savage, Gosnay, Walker and Mudge agreed to attend.	
WDBC have notified of new grass cutting procedures. Details placed in circulation pack. Any dangerous areas should be notified to the Clerk.	
<b>104.11 NEW CLERK</b>	
It was agreed that the advert in the Parish Post for a new Clerk had generated interest and that no further adverts would be placed as this had generated local interest. The timetable would be for expressions of interest and application forms to be issued by 30 June 2011, with application forms due back by 15 July so that a report can be given at the next meeting. Interview to take place on the 25 <sup>th</sup> July with an appointment to be made shortly thereafter. Cllrs Savage and Gosnay to conduct the interviews.	<b>Cllrs Savage/ Gosnay</b>
It was agreed that the Clerk should go through the current files and destroy any needless information to ensure maximum filing capacity for new Clerk.	
<b>105.11 DREWSTEIGNTON PLAYING FIELD EQUIPMENT</b>	
Jenny Mullins gave a report on behalf of the Playing Fields committee. It was agreed that the Parish Council would purchase the equipment needed to upgrade the field in the amount of £6,774 inc of VAT. Drewsteignton Playing fields committee had raised £5,645 towards this cost.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>106.11 WHIDDON DOWN GRAVE YARD</b>	
Children have been playing along the bank and in the trees and spilling into the Grave Yard at Whiddon Down. The trees belong to WDBC and it was agreed the Clerk would write to WDBC asking if the trees could be crown raised, to stop the problem.	
<b>107.11 PARISH WEBSITE</b>	
Cllr Gosnay asked all Cllrs to review their profiles and let him have an update. It was also agreed that any business that was in a parish bordering Drewsteignton would be allowed to advertise on the website at no charge.	<b>Cllr Gosnay</b>
<b>108.11 PARISH POST</b>	
A complaint has been received via West Devon Homes in connection with an article in the Parish Post about damage incurred at the Playing fields. After discussion it was agreed that the individual who had not identified themselves to West Devon Homes, had no basis to complain as there was no allegation made in the article. The perpetrators had not been identified or caught. It was agreed Cllr Savage would respond to West Devon Homes who had passed on the complaint.	<b>Cllr Savage</b>
A new Parish Post Editor is being sought for the position as Mike Petrie Ritchie has decided that he would like to pass the task along to someone else.	
<b>109.11 A3124 JUNCTION WHIDDON DOWN</b>	
It was agreed to monitor the position carefully and keep the matter under review.	
<b>110.11 PARISH PLAN</b>	
Nothing to report.	
<b>111.11 TRAVELLERS SITE</b>	
It was agreed to ask Cllr James McInnes and the Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Officer and Marion Playle from WDBC to attend a meeting to discuss the position further. Cllrs were concerned that the area around the Travellers had not been fenced off as promised by Cllr McInnes at the Annual Parish meeting.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>112.11 TURNPIKE ROAD</b>	
Complaints have been received from Residents of vehicles using the road as a short cut. A Dale Construction vehicle and a white van were seen using the road as a short cut. It was agreed the Clerk would ask the resident who witnessed the incident for further details to report the Vehicle to	<b>Clerk</b>

the Police.

**113.11 WHIDDON DOWN PLAY AREA**

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting with Councillors to undertake further research.

**114.11 DREWSTEIGNTON CAR PARK**

Nothing to report

**115.11 DELEGATES REPORTS**

None.

**116.11 COMMENTS ON INFORMATION CIRCULATED**

None.

**117.11 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

A3124 Junction Whiddon Down

Whiddon Down Play Area

Travellers Site

**118.11 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at 7.30pm at Whiddon Down.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.18pm.

**Whiddon  
Down  
Cllrs**