

# Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

**Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 in the Methodist Church school room commencing at 7.30pm.**

**Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse Chair, Richard Piper Vice- Chair, Peter Buckpitt, Jim Richardson Teresa Walters and Gareth Piper, also present was Lorraine Buttery- Clerk.**

1. Apologies were received from: Parish Councillors Rose Haynes, PS Frank Morgan  
Devon County Councillor James Morrish, District Councillors Ken James and Kit Hepple,
2. **Declarations of Interest**
  - a) Register of Interest: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.  
*None were declared.*
  - b) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
  - c) To declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
3. **Chair's announcements:**

Councillor Stephen Moyse said that on behalf of the Parish Councillors and residents of Milton Damerel We offer our sincere condolences to the Royal Family on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11, One minutes silence was held.

Stephen commented on the improvements of the Parish Hall and what a great difference it has made, He thanked Councillor Jim Richardson and said to pass on his thanks to all the helpers, they had done a grand job. Jim replied and said the main volunteers were Julie & Bob Sage and Tracy & Bob Toft. Jim went on to say that it is hoped to advertise more and 'open up' the Hall to all. The first 'wedding' had been held and it was a great success.
4. **Public Comments**

No members of the public were present
5. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022 had been circulated by email, they were then unanimously approved as a true record of the meeting, they were duly signed by the Chair Councillor Stephen Moyse.
6. **County and District Councilor's reports:**

No Councillors were present.
7. **Matters arising**
  - 1) Cutting of Hedges and verges will be done in due course.
  - 2) Overgrown vegetation Gidcott area, the Clerk had reported it to Western Power and BT Open reach, who said they would look into, it is not apparent that anything has been done.
  - 3) Over grown hedge Old Post Office, Holsworthy Beacon. the Clerk had sent a letter to the residents and although the hedge had been cut back, it still needs further trimming
8. **Planning Applications**

*None received*
9. **Planning decisions**
  - 1) 1/0741/2022/FUL  
Proposal: Change of use of redundant rural buildings to two residential dwellings (Variation Of condition 2 of planning permission 1/0983/2019/FUL)  
*The above application has been approved.*

*signed.....*

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**Planning Appeals**

*None received*

**10. Financial Matters**

- a) The following cheques were unanimously approved and three Councillors duly signed them:
- i) Clerk's salary £263.36
  - ii) Admin expenses £20.49
  - iii) Vision ITC £42.00
  - iii) Cheques for annual grants as approved at the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Gardening Club £80, MD Newsletter £100, Holy Trinity Church £150 and North Devon & District C.A.B £50

The Direct debit payment to EDF energy of £7.08 on the 9<sup>th</sup> August was acknowledged.

- b) financial report to date, all Councillors had received a spread sheet of the accounts, no issues were raised, and were unanimously approved

The bank balance of £2,954.32 was supported by the current bank statement and upheld with the bank reconciliation. The balance consists of ring-fenced funds: SBIT £103.02, P3 £174.65 and DAAT £940.83. The remainder balance £1735.82 being Parish Council general funds.

**11. Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting**

All correspondence has been sent by email and forwarded to Councillors, none received by post, No issues were raised.

**12. Matters brought forward with the permission of the Chairman**

- 1) Councillor Jim Richardson raised the issue as to whether dog breeding had commenced at The Oaks? It is a difficult subject and proof would be needed before it is reported. Jim had also received a complaint regarding dumper trucks full of chippings driving over Bumps and the chippings falling onto the road, thus causing vehicles to skid, Councillor Richard Piper said he would look into it and get the drivers to be more careful and clean Up any chippings if they were spilt
- 2) The Clerk reported that she was unable to attend DALC AGM this year and if it is the Councillors wish she would vote on line if necessary. The Councillors agreed that she Could vote on behalf of the Parish Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:00.