

## Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 commencing at 7.30pm  
Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse (Chairman), Jim Richardson, Grace Millman, Rose Hayne  
and Lorraine Buttery Parish Clerk

1) **Apologies received from:**

Councillors, John Webb (unwell), Richard Piper (away) Gareth Piper (Work Commitment)  
Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons,

2) **Chairman's Announcements**

There were none

3) **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*

4) **Public Comments, County and District Councillors reports**

County Councillor Barry Parsons sent his apologies and no public present

- 5) The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 had been circulated by email and read by all Councillors, they were signed by the Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse as being a true record of the meetings.

6) **Matters Arising**

1) **Air Ambulance:** The Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse had met with Toby Russell and visited the two sites suggested, the Parish Hall Car Park and land behind Sanders Garage both of which were deemed unsuitable. Stephen said he would not object to his field at Venn Green being used. The main problem being with Milton Damerel is that it is so spread out and the main problem would be in getting personnel to emergencies. Stephen suggested of creating a Rota of volunteers to be available to be on call when necessary.

The idea was deemed a very good one, the Clerk was requested to email Toby to ask if there had been any developments and convey the volunteer suggestion to him.

2) **Website:** The Clerk reported that there had been a bit of a delay with the site, due to the Clerk being unable to sort out the information required and a misunderstanding by the new site provider. The Clerk is in the process of collating the information requested, the site should be up and running before the present 'domain' needs be renewed. Terry Fairbrother is still running the old site.

3) **Verge/Hedge Cutting,** the Chairman Stephen Moyse had tried numerous times but unsuccessfully to contact Devon County Council to enquire to exactly what roads would be cut. He would endeavour to get a reply by telephoning every day. It was the unanimous decision of the Parish Councillors to go ahead and get quotes for the cutting of the hedges/verges as last year. Councillor Grace Millman reported that although DCC had cut some verges/hedges on the side of main roads, the area around signs had not been cut, so obscuring them from vehicle drivers, the Clerk was requested to contact DCC.

7) **Planning Applications**

1) 1/0546/2018/LBC

Proposal: Conversion of redundant agricultural barn for residential use.

Location: Ley Farm, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon

*Councillor Grace Millman stated that she was unsure as to why this was sent out again as the original Application was discussed and commented on at the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May as we do not usually comment on LBC applications so no further comments are necessary.*

2) 1/0520/2018/FULM (received after the agenda was printed

Proposal: Creation of 8 number of dwellings and conversion of Barn to 2 number of dwellings- Resubmission of 1/0732/2017 (affecting a public right of way)

Location: Land at Town Farm, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon.

*The above application was received on the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> June, as there had been no time for the Councillors to study the re-submission the Clerk was asked to contact Torridge Planning to ask for an extension of the time allowed for comments, this will enable the plans to be studied and also give the Residents the chance to attend the next meeting to give their comments.*

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8) **Planning Decisions**

1/0448/2018 (received after the Agenda was printed)

Proposal: Proposed first floor balcony

Location: The Old Rectory, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon

*The Above application was granted permission.*

**Planning Appeals**

*There are none*

9) **Financial Matters**

a) Financial report to date, the Clerk provided each Councillor with a spread sheet, there being £5704.37 in the bank account, comprising of £183.02 'Step Back in Time' Funds, £514.57 P3 funds, Balance of defib grant £290.00, the balance of £4716.78 being Parish Council General Funds.

Councillor Grace Millman suggested that to save the waste of printed information that is not needed when Councillors cannot attend meetings, that perhaps the clerk could email the spread sheet to them when emailing the Agenda. This was unanimously agreed.

b) Three Councillors signed cheques for Clerks Salary £205.83 and Admin expenses £29.53

c) The Councillors acknowledged the signing of the cheque for £281.21 between meetings for the Annual insurance, this had been agreed by email and the cheque delivered to the Chairman and then signed by three Councillors.

d) Three Councillors signed the cheque to MD Parish Hall for Parish Council meetings April- June £36.00 plus £6.00 for the hire of the Hall after the Parish Walk, this will be taken from P3 funds, total of the cheque is £42.00

10) **Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting**

All received emails had been circulated to all Councillors and no further action was required except for:

- 1) Email from a Resident regarding his complaint of his neighbour's dogs continuous barking, this subject was discussed and the Clerk informed the Councillors that she had emailed in reply to the complaint but was unsure as to where the complainant lived. This was confirmed by Councillor Grace Millman. The Clerk was sked to contact the gentleman in question to confirm the address to which the complaint relates to.

11) **Urgent matters brought forward with the permission of the Chairman**

- 1) Complaints had been received regarding the overgrown hedge outside Westmere, the complaints have stated that it is nigh on impossible for delivery and larger vehicles to pass by, the Clerk was requested to write to the residents, Councillor Grace Millman will inform the clerk of the resident's names.

The Chairman thanked the Councillors for attending, there being no further business the meeting closed at 8.36pm

