

Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 19th December 2018 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse (Chairman), Richard Piper (Vice Chairman) Gareth Piper, Jim Richardson, Grace Millman, Rose Hayne and Parish Clerk Lorraine Buttery.

1) Apologies received from:

Councillor John Webb- Family Commitment, and Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons

2) Chairman's Announcements

Councillor Stephen Moyse on behalf of all Councillors and himself gave best wishes to the Clerk and her husband for his forthcoming operation and stay in hospital and hoped all goes well.

Lorraine thanked everyone for their best wishes

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

No members of the public, County or District Councillors were present.

5) The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st November 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 meeting.

6) Matters Arising

1) Air Ambulance: Councillor Stephen Moyse had telephoned Toby Russell re the site and its implications. He will meet up with Toby in the New Year to further discuss suggested sites, the main criteria for the Sites is that they must be off the main road.

2) Holsworthy Beacon Crossroads visibility, Councillor Gareth Piper reported that the sign had now been moved and was a great improvement.

3) M.D. Parish Church Grant, the Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse had spoken to Roy and Isabelle to discuss why they had requested an extra £50 grant this year, they explained it was to cover on going costs, such as keeping the mowers maintained and running, improvements to the Church Yard, it was agreed by all that the team of volunteers did a grand job of keeping this important land mark tidy. It was the unanimous decision to grant an extra £50 with the figure being reviewed when the next grant applications are received.

4) The compliance issue was discussed and the decision was for the Clerk to contact ITC in the New Year.

7. Planning Applications

1) 1/1203/2018/CPE

Proposal: Certificate of existing lawful development for the use of barns as residential Dwellings (C3)

Location: 1 and 2 Woodland View Barns, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon

The above application had been discussed via email, no objections were raised and the decision had been conveyed to Torridge Planning.

8. Planning decisions

There were none

Planning Appeals

There were none

9. Financial Matters

- a) Financial report to date, the Clerk had emailed all information to the Councillors no issues were raised. The balance of the bank account is £4793.17, this consists of Ring- fenced funds £183.02 Step Back in Time Fund, £508.57- P3 funds, £290 – balance of Defib. Grant, the balance of £3811.58 being Parish Council General Funds.
- b) Three Councillors signed cheques for Clerks Salary £205.84, admin expenses of £31.60,
- c) Three Councillors signed cheque for Hall hire for Parish Council meetings Oct-Dec £36.00 and to Milton Damerel Parish Church £50.00 as discussed in item 6.3
- d) An updated and amended draft budget had been emailed to all Councillors. the budget will be finalised during the January meeting.

10. Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting

All correspondence had been sent by email and forwarded to Councillors.
No issues were raised.

Received by post:

- 1) Christmas Card from Geoffrey Cox MP
- 2) Thank you letter from The Royal British Legion for the £200 grant sent.

11. Urgent matters brought forward with the permission of the Chairman;

- 1) It was reported that there was a lot of standing water at the site of the defibrillator, but it was suggested that this was not really relevant or important if someone's life was in danger
- 2) It was reported that there were a lot of stinging nettles on the foot path near Whitebear Farm, Councillor Grace Millman commented that it was hardly likely that walkers would be wearing Shorts this time of the year and was certain that the P3 warded Michael Jackson would ensure That the path would be cleared when necessary.

The Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse wished everyone the compliments of the Season

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

County Councillor Barry Parsons arrived in time to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.