

## Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019 commencing at 8.30pm

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

Three members of the public remained after the open meeting

### 1) Apologies received from:

Councillor John Webb, Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons, and PCSO Emma Moakes

### 2) Chairman's Announcements

Councillor Stephen Moyse presented a bouquet of flowers and a gift to Councillor Grace Millman, Grace has been a very valued member of the Parish Council for many years, being Chairperson for a number of them. Stephen voiced his regret that she was not standing for re-election as a Councillor for the forthcoming 4-year term, but fully understood her reasons. He thanked her for all the help that he had given to her since he was elected Chairman, she will be sadly missed by all. Grace thanked Stephen for his kind thoughts and gifts.

Councillor John Webb is also not standing for re-election and Stephen will deliver a gift to him personally.

### 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 emailed a report which will be put on the website, as it is very lengthy, and received too late to include at this meeting.

Isabel thanked Grace for all her hard work as a Councillor and reiterated that she would be sorely missed, a round of applause was then given. Grace thanked all those present.

5) The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 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; the Chairman had met with Toby Russell two weeks ago and another site had been suggested, Toby will let Stephen know when the health and Safety department had inspected the new and original site. The cost of the installation will be in the region of £3,500, some of the cost will have to be borne by the Parish, Suggestions for raising the funds will be sought, from residents and local, district and county Councillors. The Chairman stated that the installation would be an asset to the village/area.

2) Elections; There are two vacancies on the Parish Council as two are not standing, the Clerk was asked to prepare a notice for the vacancies. She will also advertise it on the web-site. The new Councillors will be co-opted after the elections in May.

### 7. Planning Applications

1/0187/2019/FUL

Proposal: Part retrospective application for new roof and regularising of existing conservatory

Location: Beeches, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon

*The above application was in full, no objections were raised and the unanimous decision was to support the application. The Clerk will notify Torridge Planning department of the decision.*

### 8. Planning decisions

*There are none*

### Planning Appeals

*There are none*

9. **Financial Matters**

- a) Financial report to date, the financial information had been sent to Councillors by email.  
The balance in the bank is £3,987.94, this comprises of Ring-fenced funds of £183.02 Step Back in Time fund, £508.57 P3 funds and £290.00 the balance of defibrillator grant. The balance of £3006.35. The Clerk informed the Councillors that the VAT refund of £266.95 had been received.  
The accounts are in good order at the end of this financial year.
- b) The Following cheques were approved and signed by three Councillors:
- i) Clerks Salary £208.93
  - ii) DALC Training session £36.00
  - iii) DALC/NALC Annual fees £103.52

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:**

None received

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

- 1) The road from the Strawberry Bank to Whitebear Cross, and in particular from the Parish Hall Is in a dreadful state, the Clerk will once again inform the highways department.
- 2) It was noted that the lay- by near Chapmans Green is constantly being used as a rubbish dump, But it must be said that the Council clear it very quickly once reported.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.