

Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15th January 2020 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse Chairperson, Richard Piper Vice- Chairperson, Gareth Piper, Rose Haynes, Jim Richardson, Peter Buckpitt. also present was the Parish Clerk Lorraine Buttery.

1) Apologies were received from:

Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons, Torridge District Councillors K.Hepple, Ken James , PSFCO Mark James Parish Councillor (illness) Teresa Walters,

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:

No Councillors or members of the public present

5) The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 18th December 2019 had been circulated by email, were read and approved by all Councillors, they were duly signed by the Chairperson Councillor Stephen Moyse as being a true record of the meeting.

6. Matters Arising

1) Air Ambulance site -update, all is progressing well, Councillor Stephen Moyse is meeting with Toby Russell on Friday the 24th January, and it is hoped that the initial digging of trenches will commence on the 27th January. All being well the site should be in commission by the end of February. The Clerk was asked to source a supplier for the electricity supply.

2) Notice Board- The Clerk informed the Councillors that the request for a grant of £400 from Councillor Barry Parsons had been approved. The unanimous decision of the Parish Councillors was for the Clerk to contact Jag signs and order the Notice Board in brown and ask them also to erect it.

3) Badgers Halt, it had been established that the property is actually in Thornbury, the Clerk had requested the Information as requested by the Parish Councillors from Devon County Council, under the freedom of information Act. To date the information has not been received. Councillor Stephen Moyse will contact Jenny Goodall

4) Road from Gidcott Cross- Basin Cross, reports had been received from Devon Highways that some of the required work would be done, in the very near future, although it would be only 'patch work' and would not include the main stretch of the road.

7. Planning Applications

There were none

8. Planning decisions

2) 1/1016/2019/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective application for retention of glazed porch enclosure

Location: Tall Trees, Milton Damerel, Holsworthy, Devon

Planning Appeals

There were none

9. Financial Matters

- a) Three Councillors signed the cheque for the Clerks January salary £208.93
- b) Financial report to date, Councillors were emailed a copy of the Cash Book in advance of the Meeting no issues were raised.
The balance of the current account is £5193.48, this consists of SBIT funds of£183.02, P3 Funds of £241.65, DAAT Fund £2,416.78, the balance of £2,352.03 being PC general funds,
- c) The Budget for the Financial Year 2020/21, was discussed and it was unanimously agreed to set the Precept at £4,250.00

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, apart from the email regarding nominations for the invitation to the Queens Garden Party in May.

The Chairperson Councillor Stephen Moyse suggested asking whether Grace Millman would be interested, The Clerk will contact Grace.

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

- 1) Residents had contacted the Chairperson Councillor Stephen Moyse regarding the bus shelter at Holsworthy Beacon, saying that they did not want to seem ungrateful but the Shelter offers no shelter At all, as the sides are open and the wind and rain drives through. It was suggested that perhaps side Panels could be added. The Clerk was requested to contact Barry Parsons. The other Bus shelter at Venn Green was also very open; the Clerk will contact DCC to see if side panels could be added to that one.
- 2) The Chairperson Councillor Stephen Moyse had contacted Edgar Pett the snow warden for Milton Damerel, Edgar is struggling Healthwise to cope with the issues surrounding the snow warden’s responsibilities, and Needs help when it comes to the actual salting of the roads that Highways do not cover. Unless someone else comes forward it was decided to keep the application of salt ‘in house’ with Councillors keeping an eye out for severe weather conditions and then act accordingly.
- 3) Complaints had been received regarding deep potholes on the road from Youlden Lane -Five Lanes, Although some of this road is privately owned it is the Highways part that is in very poor condition. The Clerk will report this to the Highways dept.

The Chairperson Councillor Stephen Moyse thanked all for attending and closed the meeting qt 8.15pm.