

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 18th March 2014 at the Moorland Hall

Present: Councillors Roger Webber (*Chairman*), Linda Atkins, Eric Clarbull, Tim Gardner, John Davis and Marlene Allinson (*Parish Clerk*), Co Cllr Frances Nicholson (left 8.45), WS Cllr Steven Pugsley (left 8.45), Snowdrop Valley Co-ordinator Nic Wigley and one member of the public.

198.1 Public Question Time: The applicant for planning application 6/15/14/102 Triscombe Farm outlined the need for the function room. Nic Wigley gave a summary of Snowdrop Valley Park and Ride Scheme 2014 and was thanked for her work. **Police Report:** read out by the Parish Clerk: an e-mail scam re parking tickets, no reported crimes.

198.2 Apologies of Absence: Cllr Frank O'Neill.

198.3 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Webber	5 Planning Applications	Will keep an open mind if any come before ENPA Planning Committee	Minuted
Cllr Clarbull	7.6	Chairman of Moorland Hall Cmtte	Minuted
Cllr Davis	5 Triscombe Farm	Personal friend of the applicant	Minuted

198.4 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th February 2014 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. **Matters Arising: 197.12.1 Toilets:** Cllr Webber had been in touch with ENPA re renewables for the toilets: no useful response. WS Cllr Pugsley stressed the need to meet with Exford PC asap: Cllrs Webber and Pugsley to arrange.

198.5 198.5.1 Planning Applications: Forestry Commission Consultation SS90503851 Gunns Farm: fully supported. **6/8/14/01 Shute Close** agricultural building: fully supported. **6/5/14/102 Triscombe Farm** function room: fully supported. **198.5.2 Other Planning Matters:** Shearwell Data CLEUD re farm workshop: granted.

198.6 Highways: Co Cllr Nicholson reported that the WX Crossroads work is in hand. She will progress Popery Lane potholes and report the poor state of Thorne Lane. The Clerk

reported that the wall by the phone box at Luckwell Bridge has been damaged by the road contractor: she is progressing. The road sweeper has not been seen for ages in Cutcombe: the Clerk and WS Cllr Pugsley to progress. Parish Lengthsman: The Clerk read out a letter from Dulverton Town Council re Cutcombe's reduced days for 2014/15. The Lengthsman Agreement was signed by the Chairman.

198.7 Finance: It was agreed to pay: **198.7.1** £307.72 for the 2014/15 Parish Lengthsman Scheme **198.7.2** SV workers' net wages (£2391.72) **198.7.3** Parish Clerk's Salary and Expenses (£653.15) **198.7.4** Inland Revenue Tax and NI due (£526.40) **198.7.5** It was agreed to appoint Derek Bott as internal auditor for 2013/14 **198.7.6** £10 to Moorland Hall for room hire agreed **198.7.7** Ex-gratia payments of £50 to Exmoor Farmers and £100 to Badgworthy Land Company were agreed. The Clerk to liaise with Cynthia Stevens re work on the website and report back. **198.7.8** SV co-ordinator's expenses £22.39 were agreed **198.7.9** Parish Clerk's SV expenses £247.41 agreed **198.7.10** Atwest buses' invoice for SV Park and Ride 2014 (£3,795): agreed. The Clerk reported that new legislation has been passed re the use of internet banking for Parish Councils (the "dual signature" rule): to be looked into by the Finance Working Party.

198.8 Correspondence and Meetings: **198.8.1** Annual Parish Meeting of Electors will take place on Wednesday 7th May: Revd David Weir will speak, others to be invited. The next Exmoor Consultative and Parish Forum will take place at Withypool on 27/03/14 at 7pm. **198.8.2** Cllr Webber reported on a meeting with Rupert Harrison (Magna) re tree felling opposite the School: two trees to be left as is, Magna will replant at the right time of year: have funding for the trees but not the planting. Will be in touch again when replanting time is here.

A meeting with the police Commissioner, ENPA and others will take place at WX next Tuesday 25/03/2013. Cllr Davis reported on the Exmoor Panel meeting and thanked Cllrs Pugsley and Nicholson for their support for the Exford Youth Club.

198.9 Items for the next Agenda: Bridleway across the Recreation Ground; Review of the Clerk's Contract.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm. The next meeting of Cutcombe Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday**

15th April 2014 at 7.30pm in The Moorland Hall. All are warmly invited.

Note: It was agreed that the May Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Tuesday 13th May, one week earlier than usual, that is the second Tuesday of the month not the third.