

## Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 28th November 2012 at the Moorland Hall

**Present:** Councillors Roger Webber (*Chairman*), Linda Atkins, Eric Norman, John Davis, Tim Gardner, Marlene Allinson (*Parish Clerk*), Tim Forward (*Came & Company*) and one parishioner.

**Police Report:** WPCSO Sue Hurley had e-mailed to say no reported crimes since her last report.

**Public Question Time:** Planning: 6/15/12/107: The applicant answered questions regarding his application.

**182.1 Apologies of Absence:** Cllrs Susie Sanders, Eric Clabull;

WS District Cllr Stephen Pugsley; the local Constabulary.

**182.2 Declarations of Interest:**

Item No	Councillor	Nature	Reason	Action Taken
4 Quarme Combe	Webber	Personal	Had been in touch with the applicant re his applications	Minuted: will not chair relevant meeting of ENPA Planning Committee

**182.3 Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. **Matters Arising:** None.

**182.4 Planning: 6/15/12/106 Quarme Combe**

**Cottages:** proposed conversion of two redundant farm buildings into holiday cottages (*adj Parish consultee*): fully supported. **6/15/12/107 Quarme Combe:** proposed erection of a cattle shed 557.8m<sup>2</sup> (*adj Parish consultee*): in principle not against a building at Quarme Combe especially as this will reduce traffic through the village, but this is not Council's preferred site; it is appreciated that a building at this location will always be visible. Concern was expressed that work was started on the site without planning permission having been obtained. The Chairman asked that it be minuted that Co Cllr Nicholson was present during the debate on these items but took no part. *It was noted* that additional information and amended details had been received re **Wheddon Cross Garage 6/8/12/107 and 6/8/12/108:** proposed conversion of existing workshop to retail and change workshop doors for shop front and advertisement

consent for 2 x non-illuminated fascia signs, 8 window graphics, 4 poster signs and 2 others had been received. These will be discussed at the next PC meeting on 11th December.

**182.5 Highways:** Putham Lane: Co Cllr Nicholson reported on a meeting with Highways who are currently checking ownership. She has suggested that Highways put it in good order next Spring and then future maintenance be decided. The Parish Council could ask Highways to adopt the Lane. Winter Services: Cllr Webber has collected Cutcombe's allocation of salt bags; the Clerk has a map of the salting route. Car Park: bore holes are to be taken to determine what is underneath: depending on the results, SCC will hopefully be able to repair a 5m wide strip within budget and to a reasonable spec. Crossroads: Cllr Webber to progress 106 Agreement with ENPA and Co Cllr Nicholson to chase up Highways. Reparations: It was reported that WS Cllr Steven Pugsley and Co Cllr Nicholson have taken up quality issues with Highways: reparation work to be done in the Spring. Flooding: Peter Owen of Highways has offered to meet the residents of Watercombe and The Green re issues there. Landslip at Steart Bridge: the Clerk to report to Highways; it was cleared by a resident.

**182.6 Question and Answer Session with Tim Forward, Came & Co, Parish Council Insurers:** points raised: Aviva, the Underwriters, are currently looking at the new Code of Conduct and guidance is awaited; SV stock needs to be listed and valued at replacement cost for insurance cover; dog litter bins to be added onto PC's insurance; Tim Forward to send gritting guidelines to the Clerk.

**182.7 Parish Lengthsman Scheme 2013/14:** The Parish Council agreed in principle to remain in the Scheme.

**182.8 Snowdrop Valley Road Closure:** the meeting with Bev Norman of SCC had taken place: it had been agreed that a road closure is required, approx.. cost £300. Bev Norman to write the wording, SV Co-ordinator will place the ad.

**182.9 Finance:** 182.9.1 Agreed to pay £400 to Webber Groundcare for tree clearance in Snowdrop Valley (SV account); 182.9.2 Agreed to pay the Moorland Hall £19.60 for room hire; 182.9.3 The Finance Working Party presented a proposed Precept for 2013/14: to be considered and brought back to the December meeting for a decision; 182.9.4 The Snowdrop Valley budget was presented and agreed in principle.

**182.10 Correspondence and Meetings:** A list of

correspondence had been circulated. The Clerk reported on the SV Steering Group Meeting.

Cllr Webber reported on the ENP Consultative Forum meeting.

**182.11 Items for the next Agenda:** Parish Precept 2013/14.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.45pm. The next meeting of Cutcombe Parish Council will be on Tuesday 11th December at 7.30pm in The Moorland Hall. All are warmly invited.