

The meeting of the Council was held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 7.15pm.  
Chairman Cllr Garland.

**Present:** Cllrs Duffin, Frost, Garland, James, Kidson, Mason, Ostler, Pullinger, Turner, and 4 members of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence** were accepted from Cllr Pratt (away).  
Meeting adjourned for the Open Forum, at which matters discussed include how potential s106 money might be spent; first aid training – needs to be kept up-to-date. Clerk to ask for volunteers in Parish News and press. Thanks were given to Cllr Ostler for digging out stones in the stream again.
2. **Adoption of Minutes:** It was resolved unanimously to adopt the minutes of the October 2015 meeting (proposed Cllr Pullinger, seconded Cllr Turner).
3. **Matters arising:** none.
4. **Pecuniary or other interests.** (Cllr Turner said that his application was mentioned in the planning report but that he was not present when it was discussed.) Cllrs Kidson and Pullinger declared an “other” interest in the resolution re. Village Hall fencing (item 6) as members of the Hall committee and did not vote.
5. **Planning: Applications considered by the Planning Committee:** (see committee minutes for full details).
  - **Oaklands Trinity Hill Road.** Change of use of an existing dwelling to form office and holiday accommodation and creation of a dwelling. *No objection subject to conditions*
  - **Ayot Gore Lane.** Replacement dwelling. *No objection*
  - **Redlands Lime Kiln Lane.** Extension and alteration of existing garage to create 2 bed annexe and construction of new car port/gym outbuilding. *No objection subject to conditions*
  - **Honeysuckle Cottage Harcombe.** Two storey rear extension. *No objection subject to conditions*
  - **Upper Cottage Rocombe .**Internal alterations and installation of soil vent pipe and extraction unit on north elevation. *No objection*
  - **Land West Of Herons Brook Venlake.** Outline application with all matters reserved for the construction of 4no dwellings (three affordable and one open market), community orchard and provision of two rear access paths (amended plans.) *No objection*
  - **Land South Of St Ewe Yawl Hill Lane.** Outline application for the erection of a dwelling. *Objection*

**Applications granted or refused by EDDC:**

- **Crossways Cottage Lyme Road.** Single storey rear extension and internal alterations. *Approved with numerous conditions*
- **The Old Dairy House Rhode Lane.** Conversion of garage outbuilding to ancillary residential/holiday let. *Approved with conditions re ancillary use*
- **16 Barnes Meadow.** Protected tree works. *Withdrawn*
- **Greenways Gore Lane.** Protected tree works. *Withdrawn*
- **Fayre View Lime Kiln Lane.** Construction of detached garage and 2no dormer windows to the south east roof slope of dwelling house. *Refused*
- **Fieldside Rhode Lane.** Construction of building for use as an annexe, demolition of existing garages. *Approved with conditions re ancillary use*
- **3 Rhode Hill Mews Rhode Lane.**G1: 3 x Cupressys Sp. - Fell. *Approved with conditions re replanting*

Extra planning meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> November to discuss school plans. **Neighbourhood plan** is now largely drafted; there will be a public meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> January to consult.

6. **Finance:** The Clerk submitted the schedule of current payments for approval. It was resolved unanimously to approve them (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Frost). The Clerk reported that Cllr Garland had checked the bank reconciliation for October, payments made vs bank statement, and November cheques vs invoices.

It was resolved to grant £216.67 towards the costs of the first section of village hall fencing, to make up the cost not covered by C Cllr Knight's locality funding, and furthermore to donate the fencing to the Village Hall unconditionally (proposed Cllr Ostler, seconded Cllr James).

It was resolved unanimously to accept the quote for remedial work in the playground in the sum of £1450 from Rhinoplay (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Ostler).

It was resolved unanimously to agree the Clerk's request to pay in her salary earlier than the regular payday of 24<sup>th</sup>, in order to facilitate the transfer of banking arrangements (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Frost).

Members of the Finance Committee were asked to consider a date for a committee meeting before Christmas to update financial regulations for online banking.

7. **Decisions deferred from last month:**

- It was resolved unanimously to lease a defibrillator from SW Ambulance Service for 4 years in the sum of £1800 (proposed Cllr Duffin, seconded Cllr James). This would be mounted on the wall of the village shop, subject to safety checks re. the proximity of the filling station.
- Clerk to find out the plans and costs of grass cutting in the village for the next meeting.
- Cllr Turner was appointed as the Council's representative to Lyme Forward, to be involved with meetings where cross-border issues (e.g. medical facilities, coastal communities fund) are discussed.

8. **Correspondence.**

- Cllrs were requested to look at the changes to the EDDC Local Plan (as linked in the meeting papers for November) and convey any comments to the Clerk for submission before 30<sup>th</sup> November.
  - Cllr Kidson would represent the Council at the EDDC Chairman's meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> December. One other Councillor is invited; Cllrs were requested to let the Clerk know before 24<sup>th</sup> November who would like to go.
  - Village Hall has been booked for Snow Warden training with Cllr Turner at 7pm on 26<sup>th</sup> November. Cllrs were asked to invite anyone they think might be interested in volunteering.
  - Clerk to follow up the issue of the footbridge at Pitt White and see if the Council can get more realistic quotes for a new bridge. This path was felt to be an important local amenity that should not be forgotten.
9. **Parish council land:** Cllr Duffin reported on a meeting with Barnes Meadow residents regarding trees, and concern was expressed about whether new trees would again be vandalised. Need to plan some woodland management even though the transfer is still not in sight. Cllr Duffin will ask Kevin Taylor (tree surgeon) to give an estimate for work on the Macrocarpas in the cemetery, and the sycamores opposite Crogg Lane.
10. **Reports to note:**
- i. **Finance:** position at 31/10/15
  - ii. **Footpaths:** footpath defects should be reported to Cllr Garland for his annual report.
  - iii. **D Cllrs report:** asset review – some may be transferred to parishes. Devolution deal for southwest being put to DCLG this year by local authorities, but very poorly communicated. EDDC housing revenue will be hit by changes to housing benefit, and rebuilding programme is in jeopardy from discounted 'right to buy' sales. Local Plan should be adopted in early 2016.

11. **Any other business:** two saltbins are overturned, and Cllr Ostler will right them. Yawl Hill Lane salt bin is broken, Clerk to report to C Cllr Knight.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.45.

Open forum part 2. Need to consult the community on possible 106 projects; if EDDC cannot be persuaded to consider sport and a longer time to respond, the two categories of youth play and formal parks should be nominated.

Signed ..... Chairman

Date .....