

The council meeting was held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12th October 2011 at 7:15pm. Chairman Cllr Mason.

Present: Cllrs Brown, Clarke-Irons, Forrester, Frost, Killingback, Mason, Pratt, Sellers, Turner and 7 members of the public. Cllr Turner left at 9.20pm.

- The meeting was immediately adjourned at 7.16pm for a presentation by the East Devon AONB team on biodiversity initiatives, followed by the open forum, and reconvened at 7:40pm.

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Whiting (on holiday), Cllrs Knight and Thomas (at a full council meeting), PCSO Wooster, Mr L Masters.

- **Adoption of Minutes:** The minutes of the September 2011 meeting were adopted and signed.
- **Matters arising:** none.
- **Planning:**

Applications already dealt with by committee since last meeting

- **Lymewood Retirement Home Lyme Road.** Variation of condition 4 of permission 06/0855/FUL to enable roofspace to be used as office and occasional sleep over facility including insertion of rooflights and removal of ground floor windows. *The Parish Council is not aware of any reason for removing the existing condition, and objects to the application.*
- **Tree Tops Lime Kiln Lane.** Construction of two storey glazed rear extension and installation of solar panels on roof of garage. *A neighbour has objected on privacy grounds, and the Parish Council recommends that EDDC specifies obscure glass or other means of privacy for the side windows of the upper storey of the extension. Otherwise, it does not object to the application.*
- **Land At Lower Coombe Wadley Hill.** Removal of hedge. *The Parish Council supports this application.*

Applications granted by EDDC since last meeting

- **Mrs Ethelston's School, Pound Lane.** Construction of timber decking and steps for ancillary use. *Refused*
- **Sun House Pound Lane.** T1 Lime - remove deadwood and crossing branches 8 pruning cuts max 20cm, T2 Norway Maple - 15% crown reduction and reduce 2 lower limbs by 2.5m and 4.0m, T3 Ash - reduce crown by 30%, reduce 3 leaders by making 2 x 40cm and 1 x 30cm diameter cuts, T4 & T5. *Granted with conditions*
- **Dalverton Rise Lyme Road.** Extension of existing bathroom dormer window into bedroom 1 (renewal of 08/2194/FUL). *Granted*
- **Dalverton Rise Lyme Road.** Construction of first floor extension with dormers over existing garage (renewal of 08/2193/FUL). *Granted*

Other planning: various names had been suggested for the Affordable Housing roadway. The Council resolved unanimously to recommend Denham or Denham's Close (proposed Cllr Frost, seconded Cllr Turner), as a tribute to Mrs Denham's commitment to getting the housing built. Meeting on 1st Nov at EDDC re: localism and neighbourhood plans – two cllrs will attend, probably Cllr Mason and Cllr Whiting . Cllr Brown noted adverse press coverage in *Axminster Pulmans* of EDDC planning practice deficiencies.

- **Finance:** The Clerk reported on the position at 30th September 2011:

Bank balances at 30th September 2011		Payments Out	
HSBC Current Account	3906.36	Grounds maintenance	516.67
HSBC Deposit Account	26240.46	Clerk's expenses	22.52
	<u>30146.82</u>	Clerk's salary	371.11
		PAYE	212.60
Reserves		Audit fee	135.00
Footpath funds	3788.06	Work on FP61 (PPP)	125.00
Uplyme Speed Campaign	879.01	Paper and ink	49.48
Playground funds	798.61	Cllrs travel expenses	3.61
Millennium Copse	2198.78	VAT	36.90
Millennium Tree Fund	55.06		<u>1472.89</u>
Cemetery repairs	5000.00		
Big Lottery funding	825.00	Payments In	
PAYE due	71.00	Bank interest	1.10
Total reserves	<u>13615.52</u>	Precept	8130.00
			<u>8131.10</u>
General fund	16531.30		
Total funds	<u>30146.82</u>	Transfers	
		From Current to Deposit	10000.00

It was resolved to purchase an 8xA4 oak noticeboard from Village & Urban at a cost of £720 + VAT, subject to the wood being confirmed as not American oak (proposed Cllr Turner, seconded Cllr Sellers); (Local Government Act 1972 s111).

It was resolved to purchase a Dell projector, screen cable and spare lamp for £817.99 + VAT, using Big Lottery Funding (proposed Cllr Sellers, seconded Cllr Pratt). (Local Government Act 1972 s111)

Cllr Brown asked cllrs to submit, by the next meeting, any budget estimates for next year’s precept.

The Clerk submitted the schedule of current payments for approval. It was resolved unanimously to approve them (proposed Cllr Killingback, seconded Cllr Frost).

cheque #	payee, re	amount
100057	G Sims - grounds maintenance September	516.67
100058	L Wakeman - Clerk's expenses	29.22
100059	L Wakeman - Clerk's salary	370.91
100060	Viking - laminator and plastic pouches	40.75
100061	Projector	979.20

- **Footpaths:** Cllr Whiting had mentioned that the contractor was supposed to be quoting for leaf-blowing on the East Devon way near Springhead, prior to Cllr Turner seeing about using a digger to complete the work. Cllr Whiting will be reminded about the need to complete this project. Post at Coach Drive/Rookery Lane is broken off; Yawl Hill Lane, FP86 sign pointing to gate instead of stile; FP72 at Carswell, sign has rotted (in hedge). Should be a BP84 sign there as well – on corner at FP86 by cemetery. FP100 now cleared. Paths map has been cleaned by Chairman and new map inserted. Mr Keeley has a set of security keys that can be borrowed.
- **Highway matters:** The defects list was circulated. Posts on a house are obstructing lane at Rocombe. Yawl Hill haunch – report that lengthsman was throwing debris back into hedge against orders. Ditch clearance outside village hall will not be done by Highways because of lack of funding. Speedvisor deficiencies have been reported – both batteries and high speed needed to trigger it. A letter from Neil Parish MP was read out. Snow warden training will be in Musbury within 2 weeks. It was resolved unanimously to use some of the money from the Uplyme Speed Campaign to purchase a towable gritter (proposed Cllr Brown, seconded Cllr Killingback) (Local Government Act 1972 s137). Cllr Turner was thanked for his work on the scheme.
- **Maintenance of Parish Council land:** Contractor’s payment for September was agreed: cemetery is improving. Outside Corner of LK lane has not yet been cut. Cllr Sellers is waiting for a plumber to look at the cemetery tap. The Clerk reported that there was no need to make arrangements to clear the cemetery spoil heap for a year or two.
- **Playground:** equipment and bench has been moved ready for drainage works, and a sign to say why is in place. Toddler slide will not be suitable to re-use. Cllr Forrester will investigate funding for a new one.
- **Flood relief:** 3 quotes had been received, and Martin’s Excavations’ quote in the sum of £1095 was accepted. The Clerk will check 1.2m fencing is high enough next to a stream. It was resolved unanimously to take over the work already agreed by King George’s Field with Mr Edwards (as the single contractor for whole job), in exactly the same specification (proposed Cllr Mason, seconded Cllr Sellers); (Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976). A letter will be written to KGF setting out the exact terms of the work, and to the contractor asking him to quote the Council instead. Money from the s106 agreement will be used to offset the net cost.
- **Tree Warden:** Mr Ian Thomson was appointed as Parish Tree Warden for at least a year. He was thanked for volunteering.
- **County Councillor’s report.** List of works noticed on C Cllr Knight’s parish walkabout, together with remedial actions, was noted. New drive for investment and jobs in Devon to encourage businesses to relocate to Devon launched on 6/10. New organisation chart for DCC.
- **District Councillor’s report.** None.
- **Meetings attended by Councillors.** 2 cllrs were authorised to go to the localism meeting at EDDC on 1st Nov.
- **Correspondence:** the Clerk summarised correspondence received. Cllr Sellers will do the Met Office survey, Cllr Mason will go to DAPC meeting at Rousdon.
- **Any other business:** Bridport CAB sees more people than East Devon branch. Consider grant to them in 2012.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Signed Chairman

Date