

SUTCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Sutcombe Parish Council Meeting held at Sutcombe Parish Memorial Hall, on Monday 8th April 2019 which commenced at 8.30pm

Members of the Council Present: Councillors S Horn (Chairman), C Quance (Vice Chairman), J. Daniels B. Galbraith-Marten, J. Shepherd, C. Furse, M. Wonnacott and Parish Clerk L. D. Buttery.

1. Chairman's announcements

The Chairman Councillor Stephen Horn welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

a) Register of Interest: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

There were none declared

b) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *Councillor Claire Furse declared an interest in item 7. 1*

c) To declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *There were none declared.*

3. Apologies and reasons for absence

Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons

4. Public Comment Session and District and Local Councillors reports.

There were no members of the Public or District and Local Councillors present.

5. Approval of Minutes

All members of the Council had received a copy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 4th March 2019 by email, with the unanimous decision of the Councillors, the contents were deemed true and correct and were duly signed by the Chairman Councillor Stephen Horn .

6. Matters Arising

1) Sutcombe Community Playing Field, a complete update was given as part of Councillor Claire Furse's Report during the Annual Parish open meeting, the Chairman commented that the fencing that had been erected by Stop Gap fencing was excellent, all agreed that it was a 'top job.

2) Dogs waste Bin, the bin arrived on Monday but the position that was originally planned was not an Option as the ground was far too hard and it was impossible to get the post in, an alternative site will be decided upon.

3) Locality Grant, the Clerk reported that she had had notification that the £1000, would be paid in a few days. The Clerk will write a letter of thanks to Devon County Councillor Barry Parsons.

4) Grass Cutting Tenders, three tenders were received, after discussion the unanimous decision of the Parish Councillors was to award the tender to Pete Angel.

5) Speed signs: Councillor John Shepherd stated that an event will be held later in the year for the Children to design the signs, Devon County Council will be contacted to enquire as to what would be accepted.

7. Planning Applications

1)1/0198/2019/FUL

Proposal: Proposed Agricultural Building

Location: Land west of Friesland, Sutcombe, Holsworthy, Devon

The above application was discussed no objections were raised, the unanimous decision of the Parish Councillors Was to support the application. *Councillor Clair Furse had declared an interest and took no part in the discussion*

Planning Decisions

There are none

Planning Appeals

1/0322/2018/FUL Proposal: Conversion of redundant agricultural barn to a dwelling

Location: Barn at Northcott, Sutcombe, Holsworthy, Devon.

There were no further comments to add to those already submitted

8. Finance.

- a) Up to date financial report, a spread sheet was given to each Councillor, there being £5,889.61 in the bank £200 ringfenced election costs, £702 Community Grant which is now in Project fund, the balance £4,987.61 being Parish Council General funds. The finances are in good order.
- b) Although not on the Agenda as the invoices were received after it was distributed the Parish Councillors unanimously agreed to sign the following cheques:
 - i) DALC annual membership fees £73.43. ii) Stop Gap Fencing £3,600.00
 - ii) Octopus Stationery- Minute Book Sheets £28.19 (Half cost to be requested from Milton Damerel P.C.)Two Councillors signed the above cheques.

9. Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting

- i) DCC Councillor Barry Parsons Holsworthy rural update/ Highways
- ii) Rural Services Network Bulletins x 2
- iii) PC Mark James Rural Policing update
- iv) Devon Communities Together
- v) Playground Annual Inspection report
- vi) Holsworthy Area Group meeting 25/03
- vii) E.Horn Sutcombe Alms Houses Trustee
- viii) DCC Broad Band Vouchers
- viv) Vision ITC newsletter
- x) Emails from H. Brookhouse x 2
- xi) Planning Aid England

The above items were all received by email, no further action was required except for

vii) The letter from E. Horn, Clerk to the Trustees, Sutcombe Alms-houses the contents were discussed and agreed that a letter be sent to Emma agreeing to Mr Mark Trayhorn, holding the office for a further term as a trustee if he so wishes to do so.

x) The emails from Helen Brookhouse, the contents of which were fully discussed, several Councillors felt that her apology was not sufficient, as her complaints and accusations sent to Torridge District Council had caused great distress to the Councillors and Clerk. The Chairman Councillor Stephen Horn requested that Councillor Barry Gailbraith-Marten compose a reply to the emails which would be circulated to all for approval before being sent by the Clerk

Communication received by Post from:

Seafarers UK: Fly the Red Ensign no action required

10. Matters for discussion or to be noted, and matters brought to the attention of the Chairman

There were none

There being no further business the meetings closed at 930 pm
The next meeting, and A.G.M will be held on the 20th May.