

## OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Oake Parish Council held on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018**, commencing at 7.00 p.m. in Oake Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllr Susan Davies (Chair); Cllr Fern Dunn; Cllr Ian Ramus; Cllr Frances Gully; Cllr Louise Peace; Cllr Adrian Dyke; Cllr Chris Hillier (arrived 7:08 p.m.); Cllr Roger Habgood; Mr David Gliddon (Clerk ) and 8 members of the public. Also, in attendance for questions until 7.15 p.m. were Jo Humble from TDBC & 2 representatives from First Step Homes.

**1. Public speaking**

Residents spoke both for and against the proposed housing development application.

**2. Apologies**

Cllr James Hunt

**3. Declarations of Interest/Dispensations**

Cllr Peace – Village Shop

**4. Minutes of the meeting held on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**5. PLANNING**

**Case Ref: 27/18/0002**

**Proposal: Erection of 18 No dwellings (9 No. affordable) with pumping station, car parking, landscaping and formation of vehicular access on land to the east of Oake.**

Following discussion, the Parish Council determined to **object** to this proposal by a majority of 6 votes to 1.

(See letter of objection sent to TDBC for full details.)

**6. Items for discussion/decision:**

**(a) Traffic Calming/crossing plans**

It was reported that SCC have agreed to proposals from the Parish Council which include 20 mph flashing lights when the school is in session. Public consultation will take place once drawings/plans have been supplied to the Council.

**(b) Village Shop updates**

It was reported that Cllr Davies had co-signed a letter regarding covenants, and this had been hand-delivered to the owners of Saxon Farm. A new contract has been offered by the Post Office, but this needs further investigation as it contains errors. A new Treasurer is needed. The Shop remained open during the recent heavy snow with new and existing customers valuing this greatly. It was reported that future use of the Barn, for the new shop location, has **not** been ruled out.

**(c) Transport issues – CaSTTA**

Apologies had been received from this local transport action group, who operate near Wellington, as no-one was available to talk to the council.

**7. Reports from SCC – none.**

**8. Report from TDBC**

Junction 25 improvements going ahead; no further news on council mergers; transformation project going well; Budget passed.

**9. Matters of report:**

**(a) Police report for February 2018**

The report was discussed and note taken of the incidents locally, as well as a locality problem with poaching and farm theft.

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**(b) Neighbourhood Plan**

The last meeting was held on March 6<sup>th</sup> with the Household Survey questions being amended. Next meeting is Tuesday March 20<sup>th</sup>.

**(c) Village Hall**

It was noted how much cleaner the hall was.

**10. Finance**

**(a) Payments: Clerk's Salary/expenses - £190.51; HMRC £40.00;**

These were approved.

**(b) Financial update** – figures were circulated and signed as a true record by the chair.

**11. Training**

Cllr Ramus had attended Speedwatch training with PCSO Sharon Baker recently & had spent time monitoring traffic speeds.

**12. Matters of report**

**(a) Chair**

It was reported that our Facebook Page had been useful for updating residents during the recent heavy snow. The Nynehead Road was still prone to heavy flooding and the Clerk was asked to report this to SCC Highways.

**(b) Clerk**

TDBC had been contacted regarding incidents of dog fouling in Hillfarrance and patrols were being sent out. Cllr Dyke was given signs to put up in the Village.

The village Tree Warden has recently resigned. The clerk was asked to discover what his role should be and to advertise, in the local magazine, for a replacement.

**(c) Members**

It was requested that a regular report be obtained from our Footpath Warden.

**(d) Correspondence**

None

**13. Suggested topics for next meeting on April 12th, 2018**

- Policies updates – standing orders etc
- Emergency Plan

**The meeting Closed at 8.10 p.m.**

The annual Parish Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018 followed by the Parish Council Meeting at 7 p.m.

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