

## **EAST PORTLEMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL**

### Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd April 2018 at 7.30pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors L. Lindley (Chairman) S. Wonnacott, J. Hilditch & M. Harris.  
In attendance – O. Jenkinson

**OPEN FORUM** – None

#### **COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT –**

County report –

- DCC have received an additional £6.6million towards road maintenance, however that has to be shared across the whole of Devon, the annual cost of road maintenance is £40million.

District report –

- Not going to cap precepts for Parish & Town councils for the next three years.
- Toilets at Mill Bay are on the list for closure and the Parish Council may be asked to run it or it will close. Salcombe Town Council and the Harbour Authority would not want it to close so may help to keep them open. Ferry toilets are not on closure list.
- Council looking at outsourcing the rubbish collecting, decision in June/July.
- Harbour Authority are looking for 2 co-opted members. On 10<sup>th</sup> May Egremont might be coming back.

#### **POLICE REPORT** – By email via PC Jane Gerrard –

Only one crime was recorded in the Parish since the beginning of the year. This was an opportunist theft of timber. There were no viable lines of enquiry and the crime was filed. There were only four crimes recorded in the past year, all of which were recorded at theft. Looking at each individual crime, they would all appear to be opportunist and no patterns except all in the summer months.

We are very lucky to live in a safe and beautiful area with great community spirit. This was evident during the recent snow. We were overwhelmed by the offers of 4x4 vehicles to assist the emergency services to keep everyone safe.

**23. Apologies** – None

#### **24. Minutes of the previous meetings held on 6th March 2018.**

It was proposed, seconded and *resolved* that the Minutes be signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

**25. Declarations of Interest** – None.

#### **26. Planning & planning matters:**

None

Decisions (For information only, see SHDC website for more information):

None

#### **27. Clerk's report –**

- SLCC membership is up for renewal – Council agreed to renew for 2018/19.
- External Auditor – Councils with a turnover of under £25,000 do not have to have a external audit but do need to fill out a Certificate of Exemption – Council confirmed they do not have a turnover of more than £25,000. Chair and Clerk signed the Certificate.

#### **28. Chair's report –**

- Update on Village Farm – meeting was held with..... Where early negotiations were started for Village Farm to license some land to the PC/Village Hall for community purposes.

**29. Matters for discussion**

- Emergency Plan – matter was discussed, S. Wonnacott will look into the plan over the next few months.
- Update on Ferry Steps, at time of meeting had not yet been repaired.

**30. Proposal for resolution**

- Resolve Churchyard Fund – Council confirmed precepted amount of £400.
- Approve meeting dates for the following year:
 

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| 1st May & APCM         | 6th Nov |
| 5th June               | 4th Dec |
| 3rd July               | 8th Jan |
| 7th Aug (if necessary) | 5th Feb |
| 4th Sep                | 5th Mar |
| 2nd Oct                | 2nd Apr |

***All dates resolved.***

**31. COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS**

To receive updates from Councillors on matters of special responsibility:-

**Foreshore owner’s liaison** – Significant amount of tree work

**Coleridge representatives** – Nothing to report – no meeting

**Footpaths & hedgerows warden** – Nothing to report

**Highways** – Roads have suffered badly from the weather, potholes are worsening, continue to report individually on DCC website.

**Harbour Liason** – Nothing to report – currently no Harbour Officer.

**Dog fouling** – Got worse over Easter weekend.

**Anyone wishing to report dog fouling please use the following link and fill in the form.**

**SHDC aim to clear the waste within 48hrs.**

<http://old.southhams.gov.uk/dogfouling><http://old.southhams.gov.uk/dogfouling>

**32. Financial matters -**

a. To approve payment of the following cheques:

100511 - £293.80 – O. Jenkinson (April)

100512 - £400.00 – East Portlemouth PCC

***Approved***

b. Cash at bank as of 26.03.2018 - £18,143.83

**33. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – *Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 7pm*

SIGNED .....  
Chair

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O. Jenkinson Clerk