

EAST PORTLEMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

East Portlemouth Village Hall, East Portlemouth

Tuesday 3rd March 2009 at 7.00 pm

OPEN FORUM – Three members of the public attended.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

- The SHDC precept is set at 0% increase. The rate for DCC is confirmed & will be 2.9% increase.
- The Kingsbridge Children's Centre is opening next week at Kingsbridge Primary School. If members are aware of any families who need help with children up to the age of 5, the Centre is there to help.
- The meeting with between the Harbour Authority and the ferry owner was postponed and will be re-arranged. The Harbour Master confirmed that when the ferry stops the yacht taxi service will take over as before and when weather conditions are bad members of the public will be informed so that they are not left stranded.
- A question was asked about the closure of the Marine Hotel swimming pool. Cllr. Brazil said that he had no knowledge of this.
- SHDC Planning Department have decided that any changes to the Baker's Piece application are so minor that they are a revision of the existing application.

POLICE REPORT: None

PRESENT: **Councillors:** L. Lindley (Chair) P. Reed, C. Cox, J. Gurney, R. House, J. Neaverson, M. Nolan

In attendance: S. Winstanley (Clerk) J. Brazil

1. **APOLOGIES** – None

2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** held on 2nd February 2009.

- It was proposed, seconded and *resolved* that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record having deleted a sentence in Clerk's report.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None

4. **CLERK'S REPORT:**

- Chris Lucas's department has received no communications from parishioners other than those two sent by members concerning the waste compound.
- When the waste compound was being dismantled, a builder appeared and told the workmen that he used it for disposing of his rubble. Members were asked to assist in preventing fly tipping by keeping watch on the situation. The van used by the builder was grey and smaller than a transit.
- In response to a request for the double yellow lines to be cleared, Stokenham were informed and they are anticipating clearing the lines when the workmen are next in the area.

5. **WASTE COMPOUND**

To receive an update from the Clerk concerning the removal of the compound and safety issues. Proposal to write to SHDC regarding removal of this facility.

- The Clerk reported that in response to concerns raised about safety, SHDC had immediately visited the area where the compound had been removed and placed warning cones. They had confirmed that they expected safety barriers to be erected early this week.
- It was agreed that a letter be sent to SHDC expressing the Council's disappointment that the compound had been removed and their concern that the site was left in a dangerous condition.
- The possibilities of what could be done with the site will be an agenda item at the next meeting by when ownership of the land should be ascertained.

6. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

For information only: West Prawle Farmhouse - Certificate of Lawfulness
The Council has asked for an explanation of this decision

To be considered at this meeting:

20/0180/09/F - Upalong, East Portlemouth TQ8 8PU

Erection of garage

Following a site visit and after discussion it was *resolved* to recommend no objection

20/0233/09/F – Ditchend End, East Portlemouth TQ8 8PU

Replacement dwelling with additional landscaping scheme with open swimming pool and entrance gates

Following a site visit and after discussion it was *resolved* to recommend refusal due to the visual impact of the proposal in an AONB.

20/0109/09F– Gara Rock Hotel TQ8 8PH

Amendment to planning permission 20/2627/07/F dated 11/03/2008

Following discussion it was *resolved* to recommend approval, with the following comments:

- Carparking needs to be very well disguised with screening and planting or even by reducing levels on the northern corner.
- Facilities for day visitors are considered insufficient.
- Due consideration should be given to reducing light pollution wherever possible.
- Stone facing should be used wherever possible, but particularly on the chimneys.
- The landscaping should be as per the previous application.
- Every effort should be made to reduce the visual impact in an AONB.
- The Council favoured lifting the 8 week occupancy restriction.

7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

The Chair provided Members with a handout containing comprehensive details of responsibility for different aspects of the Parish and who can be contacted in the event of a problem.

The Chair gave a report on progress with consideration of re-development of the redundant bus shelter.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. It was *resolved* to approve payment of the following cheques:

Cheque Nos: 100116- £207.93 - S. Winstanley (February)

100117 - £20.00 – CAB

100118 - £50.00 - Coleridge Bus

Current finances – cash at bank £1933

9. CORRESPONDENCE - SHDC Letter from D. Kenyon re. affordable housing application revisions

Members considered the revisions outlined in the letter and agreed to respond with the following comments:

- The alteration to the orientation of the houses appears to have made no difference in terms of overlooking neighbouring properties.
- The privacy of Outlook and Prospect will not be affected.
- The provision of a drainage channel will not ameliorate the problem of headlight nuisance and it is a fundamental issue due to the positioning of the entrance.
- The provision of solar panels is a beneficial revision.
- The increase in insulation is a beneficial revision.

10. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**Rickham Farm**

The toilet block has still not been removed

The portacabin has not been removed

The sewage facilities have not been dismantled

The hedges have been planted.

Wayfield Nurseries

A mobile home has appeared at the Nurseries.

Cross Lanes

Potholes in the road have been reported to Torr Homes and DCC but no repairs have been made

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 7th April, 2009

SIGNED
L. Lindley Chair

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S. Winstanley Clerk

ACTION POINTS:

1. Clerk to write to C. Lucas – re removal of the compound & safety ✓
2. Clerk to discover the ownership of the site on which the compound stood ✓
3. Clerk to contact Highways potholes in Cross Lanes ✓
4. Clerk to contact Enforcement Officer re. Rickham and Wayfield ✓
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