

NORTH HUISH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2016 at St James Church, Avonwick

OPEN FORUM: One member of the public was present. The council was informed that a member of the Feoffees – the charity for the poor of the Parish – Mrs Janet Cousins, had resigned. This meant that a vacancy had occurred which needed to be filled by a member of the Parish Council. Councillor Bell offered to take up this post and was duly selected.

A letter in the local press was referred to the Council. It was agreed that the letter covered ground that had already been addressed.

The following points were made by Councillors:

- No one had come to the Parish council meeting to raise the matters covered in the letter. If asked the Council would consider the matters raised.
- The letter contained many inaccuracies.
- The village of Avonwick is primarily a farming village. Land is used for farming purposes and there is no land available to purchase for amenities.
- There are quiet country lanes where dogs could be walked.
- While Parish Councils can provide space for recreational purposes where available, they have no legal obligation to do so.

PRESENT: Councillors Bell, Gabriel, Grevatt, Luscombe, Seager-Berry and District and Parish Councillor Steer.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: County Councillor Vint and Councillor Hunt.

The **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 7th June 2016 were confirmed and signed. Proposed Cllr Bell seconded Cllr Grevatt.

REPORTS: Cllr Vint had submitted a report dealing with his work at County level and a second report dealing with answers to questions raised by him at County Council meetings.

District Councillor Steer reported that the “first” brick had been laid at the Sherford development. The first homes should be available in September. The Council is still waiting for news of the devolution developments. Councillor Steer suggested that the Council should approach Ugborough Parish Council to see if we could support them in dealing with the suggested boundary changes which would affect them

Councillor Grevatt informed the Council that the Avonwick and North Huish Community Hall Project AGM would take place on Thursday 7th July at the Avon Inn

Specific items of **CORRESPONDENCE** were noted as follows:

AONB – Annual Open forum – noted

Have Your Say – Plymouth and South West Devon Joint Local Plan. To be circulated and commented on.

District and Town Councillor vacancies – noted

Boundary Revision at Ivybridge. Action clerk

FINANCE:

Balance c/f	£ 8225.46	This balance is made up as follows:	
Income (interest)	£ 0.35	P3 money	£ 149.40
		Council funds	£ 8076.41
<u>Balance c/f</u>	<u>£ 8225.81</u>	Total	<u>£ 8225.81</u>

The Council agreed to pay the costs of the Play Park Agreement with SHDC

HIGHWAYS:

Councillor Vint asked that the Council should prepare for the repair of minor road defects.

It was asked if a map of buddle holes within the parish was available. Action clerk.

A temporary road closure notice had been placed on the notice board

Suggested repairs to the Ugborough road from Avonwick to be referred to Ugborough Parish Council. Action clerk.

Repairs to the road to California Cross to be referred to Modbury Parish Council. Action clerk.

NEXT MEETING :6th September 2016 at 7.30pm at St James Church, Avonwick.