## NORTH HUISH PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at St James Church, Avonwick

**OPEN FORUM:** One member of the public was present. The clerk was asked to write to the police to thank them for their excellent work in bringing to justice those who had been targeting farms and small businesses for many years.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**: Councillors Hunt and Steer – planning, Colmer View Farm

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

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: County Councillor Vint and Councillor Gabriel

The **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were confirmed and signed. Proposed Cllr Seager-Berry seconded Cllr Hunt.

**MATTERS ARISING:** A sponsored walk on 13<sup>th</sup> May was being organised by the Avon Inn and the Shop to raise funds for the proposed defibrillator.

Bollards had been put in place at The Rock end of Cobbly Walk. Damage to the road surface at this point has been reported to Devon Highways

Cllr Steer to contact the localities officer at SHDC to deal with the unofficial signs at the top of the Wrangaton slip road.

**REPORTS**: Councillor Vint had submitted a report covering his work with the County Council. He informed the Council of the existence of a local pothole fund to be used where the highways department would not repair potholes. He also mentioned the work of the parish tree wardens in identifying trees in need of protection.

Councillor Steer brought the Joint Local Plan to the attention of the Council. This has received the support of Plymouth City Council, West Devon District Council and South Hams District Council. It is now out for consultation. Cllr Steer confirmed that the proposed Local Authority Controlled Company would not now go ahead.

Councillor Seager-Berry reported on the recent meeting of the flood group. Of concern to the group is the SWWA blue plastic pipe that has been in position at Horsebrook for some time. It was agreed that this pipe is not appropriate for use in an AONB. Action clerk.

The Council had received a report on the condition of the play park in Avonwick. It was agreed to seek a local maintenance person to carry out minor jobs as they become necessary. Action clerk.

**PLANNING:** The Council agreed to support an application for the provision of an agricultural building at Colmer View Farm, California Cross. Proposed Cllr Seager-Berry seconded Cllr Grevatt

## **FINANCE:**

This balance is made up as follows:

Balance c/f	£ 8176.23	P3 money	£ 149.40
Income (interest)	£ 0.35	Council funds	£ 8027.18
		Total	£ 8176.58

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It was agreed to seek funding for the purchase of IT equipment

**HIGHWAYS** The Council wished to record its appreciation of the brilliant work being undertaken by Mr J Widdicombe in clearing the buddle holes within the parish.

**NEXT MEETING**: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.30pm at St James Church, Avonwick.