

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MILTON ABBOT GROUPED PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2014 AT MILTON ABBOT VILLAGE HALL AT 8PM.

(available at www.chillaton.net and www.miltonabbot.net).

PRESENT: Cllrs J Anderson (MA), R Brewer (C), P. Hough (MA), M Pahlsson (B), J Spurr (MA) and Mrs A Westcott (C) [Chair]

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr D Gradidge (D), H Asbridge (C), and Mrs S Fox (Clerk)

MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC: Mr G. Vanstone

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None were declared.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th March 2014 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

MILTON ABBOT PLAYGROUPO ANNUAL REPORT

As no one was in attendance from the Playgroup, Cllr J Anderson agreed to follow this up as the Parish Council would need to see copies of the equipment inspections that they had carried out.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Planning applications – reports of Planning Committees

April Cottage, Chillaton. This application had been withdrawn.

4 Albert Cottages, Bradstone – Amended plans had been submitted.

Durnaford, Milton Abbot. This application had been granted, subject to conditions.

Proposed Wind Turbine at Beckwell Farm. This had gone to appeal. Cllr H Asbridge and R Brewer were asked to draft any necessary additional submission on behalf of the Parish Council.

Development of 110 properties at Butcher Park Hill Tavistock. The Chillaton Planning Committee had commented on this application, requesting that consideration be given to the effect on outlying villages of the increased volume of traffic that would be generated by this development.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was agreed that a meeting be arranged in June with Cllr Moore from Lifton Parish Council. Cllr Moore had lead the development of the Lifton Neighbourhood Plan and his experience would assist the Parish Council in determining how to proceed.

LIFTON FEED MILL HGV TRAFFIC

Cllr Asbridge has been in contact with Cllr C Edmonds (Lifton) with regard to the impact of the HGVs coming through Chillaton on their way to and from the Feed Mill. Cllr Edmonds had been informed by Mole Valley's Transport Manager that lorries were instructed to use the Sourton/Holsworthy routes when destined for North and West Devon. They were also instructed to turn right on leaving the Lifton Mill to access the A30 at Stowford. This was in order to avoid travelling through Lifton. Following monitoring it appeared that more lorries were coming through Chillaton than those required for local deliveries.

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the Mole Valley's Transport Manager to seek greater clarification on this matter and ask for more rigour in the enforcement of the correct routes.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr M Pahlsson and Cllr D Gradidge have been in consultation with Highways with regards to traffic travelling on the FellDownhead road. Those negotiations were still ongoing.

CHILLATON TRAFFIC GROUP

Cllr R Brewer and Cllr H Asbridge had met on Tuesday 6th May with the County Road Safety Officer to discuss various measures to improve traffic in Chillaton.

WIND TURBINE APPLICATIONS – PUBLIC MEETINGS

Mr G. Vanstone, on behalf of MABRAKE, asked how the Parish Council would respond to the need for public consultation with regard to any future planning applications for wind turbines. Following discussion, it was agreed that MAGPC would continue to hold open meetings to gauge public opinion and enable applicants to present their proposals, if any particular application warranted this. MABRAKE would of course be able to attend and make any representations that it wished. Should MAGPC not deem it necessary to hold a public meeting in respect of any particular application, then it would be open to MABRAKE to hold one of its own if it wished to do so.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

June, to be determined, at Marystowe Church Hall
Wednesday July 2nd 2014 Milton Abbot Village Hall
Wednesday 3rd September 2014 Marystowe Church Hall
Wednesday 5th November 2014 Milton Abbot Village Hall
Wednesday 7th January 2015 Marystowe Church Hall
Wednesday 4th March 2015 Milton Abbot Village Hall
Wednesday 13th May 2015 Parish Meeting for Milton Abbot, Dunterton and Bradstone at Milton Abbot Village Hall.
Thursday 14th May 2015 Parish Meeting for Chillaton followed by the AGM and an ordinary Council Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.45 pm.