

MILTON ABBOT GROUPED PARISH COUNCIL

(Parishes of Milton Abbot, Chillaton, Dunterton and Bradstone)

To all Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Milton Abbot Grouped Parish Council on **Wednesday 5th April 2017, 7.30pm, at Marystowe Church Hall** for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

E James

Emma James, Clerk to the Council
Wednesday 29th March 2017

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting 1st March 2017**
4. **Open Session – Members of the Public may speak regarding parish matters**
5. **Planning**

00452/2015 The Stables, Milton Abbot

At the meeting of the Council on 1st February, it was agreed that Cllr Pahlsson would contact the applicant to discuss the possibility of the provision of screening from the decking outside of his premises to improve the privacy of the adjacent dwelling. The **Council is requested** to consider verbal feedback from Cllr Pahlsson.

0254/17/FUL Land at Edgcumbe Road, Milton Abbot

Having been authorised at a meeting of the Council on 1st March 2017 to submit representation regarding this application following consultation with local parish councillors who were not present at that meeting, the following objection was made:

- *The plans submitted with the application do not properly reflect the change of use applied for, as they include a workshop. The Parish Council is not aware that planning permission has previously been granted for such a facility, which is not normally associated with the use applied for.*
- *The application refers to six existing and proposed parking spaces on site. The Parish Council is not aware that planning permission has been granted for six spaces on this site and does not consider such a number would be necessary for the change of use proposed.*
- *Although this application is for a change of use of a building and not for its construction, it is a retrospective application. Had it come forward in the normal way, with both usage*

and the development itself under consideration, the PC would probably have requested that additional screening be provided around the raised platform in the front of the building, so as to allow privacy to adjoining/nearby premises. If permission is granted, and it is possible to do so, it should be subject to such a condition.

Decisions

[0014/17/HHO](#) Linhay Barn Tuell Farm Milton Abbot - Conditional Approval
Householder application for erection of detached shed

[4018/16/AGR](#) North Ground Milton Abbot - Ag Determination details not required
Application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development - proposed building.

6. Progress Reports

To review and consider updates since the last meeting;

Noticeboard – Chillaton

The **Council is requested** to consider the attached report and recommendations at Appendix A.

Highways

Vehicle Passing Places

Having been asked to consider the creation of vehicle passing places along the narrow steep lane from Chillaton to Kelly and Milton Abbot, Highways have advised that they would not undertake to do this. However should a suitable place be made available and ready by the landowner, they may be able to provide road planings for use as a surface covering.

The land owner on which a dead oak tree, sited along this stretch of road, has been approached by Cllr Asbridge and stated that the tree would be felled.

Signposts

Following a request for the replacement of missing/damaged signposts at Ramsdown Cross and Leigh Cross, Highways have responded that their current policy is to not replace signs on minor roads.

Steve Brockman will visit both locations to ascertain the requirements and will make a request for both of the signs to be repaired, however it is unlikely that the Leigh Cross sign repair will be approved. The Ramsdown Cross sign is of the old black and white traditional style, and will be kept rather than replaced if possible.

Joint Local Plan

A final version of the JLP has been compiled and a consultation is currently underway the closing date being 26th April 2017, a copy of the document can be access via the link, [JLP Consultation Document](#). Cllr Asbridge has written a report regarding the consultation document for the **consideration of the Council** (Appendix B).

Devon Air Ambulance Trust (DAAT) Night Landing Site

Milton Abbot Primary School have responded to a request made by the Council in September 2016, Min Ref 60:16/17, regarding the potential use of their field as a DAAT night landing site.

The School and Governing Board have now agreed, in principle, that they would have no objection to the use of their field for this purpose. It should be noted that the site, including the field, is Grade 2 listed.

It is **recommended that the Council** approve that further investigation is undertaken by way of a site visit and survey by DAAT to establish suitability of the site and potential costs.

7. Financial Matters

Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitor

Attached at Appendix C is the bank reconciliation and Appendix D is the budget monitor for 2016/17, both dated 20th March 2017. The year-end documents for 2016/17 and budget monitor for 2017/18 will be available for the meeting in May.

Payments

The Council is requested to authorise the below listed items for payment by BACS or Cheque:

- a) DALC membership fees for 2017/18 - £174.66 (Inc £22.47 VAT)
- b) Marystowe PCC for the hire of the hall, as below detailed below and approved at the last meeting of the Council - £165

<u>Financial Year</u>	<u>No. of Occasions Hired</u>	<u>Invoiced</u>
2014/15	3 (+ 1 already paid)	£ 45
2015/16	3	£ 45
2016/17	5 (includes hire on 5 th April 2017)	£ 75
Total invoiced		£165

To note Clerk's pay on 31st March 2017, paid by BACS:

- Mrs E James - £136.18
- HMRC – £18.40

Income

Payment of £301.07 was received in March 2017 from HMRC in settlement of the recently submitted VAT claim.

8. Chillaton Telephone Kiosk

It was recently brought to the attention of the Council that the telephone kiosk in Chillaton had been removed with no prior notification.

Following investigation it has been established that the kiosk was removed on 18th February 2017 and was not included within the recent consultations regarding the proposed removal of some telephone kiosks, because it was located on privately owned land. It is understood the kiosk in Chillaton was located on land owned by BT and therefore except from consultation.

BT will not provide the Council with any further information regarding the reason for its removal or its recent usage figures. In March 2016 it had been ascertained that there had been:

- thirteen free phone calls made during the course of the previous twelve months (April 2015 to March 2016)
- no chargeable calls
- no emergency calls

9. Lamerton Parish Council – TAP Fund Application

Lamerton Parish Council are applying for TAP funding to install speed signs similar to those provided in Chillaton and Milton Abbot, on the main road through the village of Lamerton. The

current process for the consideration of TAP fund applications includes identifying parish councils and other bodies who consider that an application should be supported. Whilst it should be born in mind that applications for TAP funding compete for a finite amount of funds and it is not known what other requests may be made at the same time, it seems reasonable **that the Council consider** supporting this proposal in principle.

10. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

11. Dates of future meetings

3 rd May 2017 (7pm)	Annual Parish Meeting for Chillaton - Marystowe Church Hall
4 th May 2017 (Thu) (7pm)	Annual Parish Meeting for Milton Abbot Dunterton and Bradstone at 7pm in Milton Abbot Village Hall followed by the Parish Council Annual and Ordinary meetings, commencing at approx. 7.15pm and 8pm respectively
7 th June 2017	Marystowe Church Hall
5 th July 2017	Milton Abbot Village Hall
2 nd August 2017	Marystowe Church Hall
6 th September 2017	Milton Abbot Village Hall
4 th October 2017	Marystowe Church Hall
1 st November 2017	Milton Abbot Village Hall
6 th December 2017	Marystowe Church Hall
3 rd January 2018	Milton Abbot Village Hall
7 th February 2018	Marystowe Church Hall
7 th March 2018	Milton Abbot Village Hall
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