

# ERMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## The Minutes of the Meeting of Ermington Parish Council held in the Reading Rooms on Tuesday 1 December 2015 commencing at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs John Kerslake, Di Webley, Ian Walsh, Marina Auburn, John Bower, Richard Midgley

**Also present:** County Councillor R Hosking  
District Councillor T Holway  
T Drew (Parish Clerk)

**Parishioners present:** 11

**Chairman:** Cllr J Kerslake

### 61/15 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from PCSO A Potter (Police) and Councillors Martin and Hartwell.

### 62/15

#### (a) Police Report for November 2015

The following report has been received from PCSO A Potter:-

#### Ermington area

Between 6th and 9th report of criminal damage, equipment in the Primary School playground damaged CR/077917/15  
10th, suspicious package sent to address via Royal Mail CR/078079/15

#### Lee Mill Ind. Est.

7<sup>th</sup>, criminal damage to motor vehicle, car had tyre damaged CR/071200/15  
8<sup>th</sup>, making off without payment, offender failed to pay for fuel drawn from garage forecourt, enquiries ongoing CR/077953/15  
16<sup>th</sup>, shoplifting CR/079268/15

#### (b) Public Questions

A parishioner was aware that a meeting is being held to discuss plans for a village hall on 20 January 2016 and suggested marking out on the playing field the foot print of proposed building. Councillors agreed this was a good idea and would put it forward to the Ermington Village Hall Working Group.

A parishioner pointed out the new drains between Rectory Cottage and Ring of Bells have been successful but no maintenance is being carried. Clerk was asked to contact DCC Highways to ascertain the situation. The parishioner also pointed out that vehicles were parking all day in the lay by the Toll House and asked if there was a possibility for local residents to purchase a "residents only" parking sign to be placed in the area. Cllr Kerslake asked the Clerk to clarify the status of the lay by with Cllr Hosking and DCC Highways – **ACTION: Clerk.**

A parishioner pointed out the height of hedge near "The Spires" is above stipulated height in the agreed planning application. Cllr Holway to ascertain the situation – **ACTION: Cllr Holway.**

A parishioner asked if signage could be improved to advise large HGV's they could not pass through the village, as an artic lorry has recently been stuck on Bunkers Hill? **ACTION: Cllr Hosking to discuss with DCC**

A parishioner pointed out that approaching from Yealmpton at the junction A379 and A3121, the sign is too close to the junction and asked if it could be repositioned further back near to where there is a "SLOW" sign. Cllr Hosking will speak to DCC Highways – **ACTION: Cllr Hosking.**

**(c) District and County Councillor Reports**

District Cllr Holway

SHDC was working with adjoining authorities to meet its commitments, including housing needs and would be considering devolution proposals.

Budget setting had started and would be determined on the 11 February 2016.

SHDC agreed to work with surrounding Councils to address planning.

SHDC are introducing a new planning IT system. A parishioner was concerned that information in connection with a planning application to be discussed later did not seem to be on the SHDC system. Cllr Holway stated that if parishioners are worried about information being sent to SHDC getting lost to contact him direct.

£500 is still available for local projects, would like ideas by the end of February 2016.

The owners of "The Crooked Spire" are in discussion with planners at SHDC on the pub's development.

County Councillor Hosking

DCC are doing an additional "Tough Choices Roadshow" to discuss how money could be saved, as there will be a loss of £35 million from the budget which is very difficult to do with statutory obligations. A roadshow is taking place on Wednesday 2 December 2015 at the Watermark in Ivybridge at 6.30pm, all are invited to attend.

Confirmation of the 20 mph signage through the village is being confirmed by Devon County Council Highways.

**63/15 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT – Declaration of Interests**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct members were invited to declare any personal, disclosable pecuniary or prejudicial interests including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in items to be considered at a council meeting. No such declarations were made.

**64/15 TO CONFIRM MINUTES**

The minutes of Ermington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 3 November 2015 at 7.30 pm, were confirmed and signed.

## 65/15 MATTERS ARISING

56/15 - erosion of the Erme river bank = an e-mail has been sent to a specialist to obtain a quote for the work, awaiting a reply – **ACTION Cllr Hartwell.**

56/15 - tree causing visibility issues near Endsleigh Garden Centre slip road = Cllr Walsh has arranged for a meeting to take place on Wednesday 2 December 2015 in the area for a contractor to assess the situation and to submit a quote – **ACTION Cllr Walsh.**

56/15 Ermington Primary School crossing Bunkers Hill PV2 assessment = assessment results in a failure of the case as there are an insufficient number of people crossing the road. A parishioner asked if double yellow lines on the turning into Fawns Close could be considered to stop people parking on the area where people cross to enter the school. Cllr Hosking suggested a plan is submitted with details on where the lines should be placed – **ACTION: Cllr Webley.**

56/15 – Playing Field Path = in view of the negotiations which are taking place for Ermington Parish Council to take over the field, the repairs to the path will be discussed at the time of the transfer.

56/15 - TAP Fund, defibrillator = the government are offering free defibrillators, training packs and a cabinet. The plan is to site two defibrillators within the village. Cllr Webley is assessing if the telephone box could be purchased and used to house one of the defibrillators. It was agreed two defibrillators will be obtained - **ACTION: Cllrs Holliday/Webley.**

## 66/15 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application number: 21/2382/15/F

Description: Change of use to equestrian and erection of stables

Application address: Lankwells, Burraton, Ivybridge, PL21 9LA

*No objection – provided facility remains strictly for personal use (not commercial use)*

Application number: 21/2404/15/F

Description: Erection of 3 bed detached dwelling

Application address: 1 Chapel Street, Ermington, Ivybridge, PL21 9ND

*Objection:-*

- *Overdevelopment of site – Building is large in proportion to the size of the plot. Although drawings are deficient on dimensions the profile against the Chapel makes this clear*
- *Access on to Chapel Street is dangerous*
- *Issues of overlooking and loss of privacy/ residential amenity impacting on properties 1-5 Chapel Street and 1,2 and 3 Bakery Cottages*
- *Issues of drainage and surface water run off and potential impact on adjacent properties at a lower level. No soakaway plan is included.*

## 67/15 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

e-mail 05/11/2015 from Fields in Trust = Your November Fields in Trust update

e-mail 06/11/2015 from SHDC = winter cleaning for Ermington Public Toilets

e-mail 06/11/2015 from SHDC = S106 – Parish/Town OSSR Plan workshop - Follow up

e-mail 09/11/2015 from SHDC = Recharge for Election Held on 7 May 2015 - £109.86

e-mail 10/11/2015 from SHDC = TAP Fund Process - 2015/16: Reminder & Revisions

e-mail 10/11/2015 from DCC Highways = Ermington ~ 20mph signing

e-mail 11/11/2015 from Cllr Tom Holway = Path on Ermington Playing Field

e-mail 11/11/2015 from DCC = Parish Paths Partnership Autumn/ Winter Newsletter 2015

e-mail 18/11/2015 from Pierre Cazenave & Natalie Coleman = Objection to planning application number 21/2404/15/F

e-mail 19/11/2015 from SHDC = December Emergency Planning Newsletter.

e-mail 21/11/2015 from Gill Meech = Proposed Development to the Rear of 1 Chapel Street. Application 21/2404/15/F

e-mail 23/09/2015 from Alex Nimmo-Smith =Public comments not allowed on Employment Land planning application

e-mail 23/11/2015 from Christine Carroll = Objections to planning application 21/2404/15/F

e-mail 25/11/2015 from Cliff Sumner = 21/2544/15 Employment Land in Ermington

e-mail 26/11/2015 from Bridget Polglase = Objections to Planning Application 21/2404/15/F

e-mail 26/11/2015 from Ian Ruddlesden = Planning application 21/2404/15/F – objections

e-mail 26/11/2015 from Clare Sherratt and Roger Pewsey = Objection to Chapel Street 3 bed dwelling

e-mail 26/11/2015 from SHDC = NEW IT PLANNING SYSTEMS GO LIVE

**68/15     FINANCE**

**PAYMENTS**

- Salary for Caretaker – 17 October 2015 – 16 November 2015 (inclusive)	£28.00
- Salary for Clerk – November 2015	£476.67
- EDF Energy – monthly Direct Debit – November 2015	£25.00
- John Davies (repairs to fire door Reading Rooms)	£506.95
- SLCC Annual Membership	£103.00
- Dart Fire Protection – service of fire extinguishers Reading Rooms	£29.28

**INCOME**

- Hire of Reading Rooms – Ermington Tots	£20.00
- Hire of Reading Rooms – Ermington Wednesday Group	£165.00
- Hire of Reading Rooms – Radical Readers	£5.00

*Treasurer's Account – Balance £61,660.67 as at 13 November 2015*

*Business Account - Balance £8,380.57 as at 9 September 2015*

**GRANT REQUESTS**

None

**69/15     READING ROOMS – Update**

Cllr Kerlake reported that a consultation working group have met and a resolution and terms of reference was agreed. The Ermington Village Hall Working Group working group is made up of Councillors and parishioners who have volunteered

The Ermington Village Hall Working Group will present two schemes for a village hall to parishioners on 20 January 2016 and questionnaires will be circulated in the parish magazine and be available on the Ermington Parish web site. During the middle of March 2016 the results will be available and another consultation will take place and a decision will be made on the way forward.

Cllr Holliday was pleased to note that the quantity surveyor has offered to do the initial quantity surveying free of charge.

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 January 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Reading Rooms, Ermington.

Cllr Holway was thanked for attending the meeting and left at 8.30 pm.

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The Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Signed: .....  
(Ermington Parish Council Chairman)

Date: 5 January 2016