

ERMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Meeting of Ermington Parish Council held in the Reading Rooms on Tuesday 1 March 2016 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs John Kerslake (Chairman), Roy Hartwell (Vice Chairman) Di Webley, Ian Walsh, Marina Auburn, , Richard Midgley, Kate Holliday, Susan Martin, John Bower

Also present: County Councillor R Hosking
District Councillor T Holway
PCSO A Potter (Police)
T Drew (Parish Clerk)

Parishioners present: 6

The Chairman Cllr J Kerslake welcomed everyone to the meeting.

88/15 APOLOGIES

None.

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(a) Police Report for February 2016

The following report has been received from PCSO 30540 Andy Potter :-

Ermington

No reported crime

Lee Mill ind. Est.

23/2 shoplifting CR/011602/16

(b) Public Questions

Cllr Auburn – a parishioner has reported hedge cutting had taken place today leaving debris on the road raising questions about the legality of hedge cutting after the end of February. It was suggested that Cllr Auburn investigate the legal position and advise the parishioner.

Cllr Auburn - wished to formally thank Mr Nick Colton, D.C.C. Highways, for removing tarmac and cleaning Ridge Road.

Cllr Holliday – asked why S.H.D.C. refuse trucks pass through Ermington, is the village being used as a short cut. **ACTION: Cllr Holway**

Cllr Webley – The road from Keaton to Ermington is in a poor state of repair, it was agreed that when the "The Spires" development had been completed the road would be repaired. Cllr Holway asked Cllr Webley to report the issues on the D.C.C. web site <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/> and copy any correspondence to Stuart Hughes, Nick Colton and Cllr John Hart.

Cllr Webley – there are no derestriction signs when travelling coming from Ivybridge to Ermington. Cllr Hosking will investigate. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

Mr Tall – asked if someone would coordinate the link between Clecy and Ermington. Cllr Walsh volunteered.

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(c) District and County Councillor Reports

County Cllr Hosking reported on the:-

Budget finalised – the budget reflected a £28m reduction in Central Support Grant, which had resulted in a 3.99% increase in council tax

Devolution prospectus - no further news, other than discussions are taking place with the government.

Broadband – the phase one roll out is going well and broad band is available to 80% in Devon and Somerset. Phase two tender being rolled out. There will be a voucher scheme potentially for those in the last part of the scheme to access other technology in their area.

District Cllr Holway reported on the:

S.H.D.C. Planning - the plan is to catch up and clear back log in 12 months on enforcement issues. Locality Officers would carry out initial enforcement investigations, to assist with clearing the backlog.

90/15 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 declarations were made.

91/15 TO CONFIRM MINUTES

The minutes of Ermington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 2 February 2016 at 7.30 pm, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

92/15 PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPORT ONLY

83/15 Damage to fencing on the green lane from Langbrook to Whipples - Cllr Hosking confirmed no action could be carried out by D.C.C. highways.

83/15 - TAP Fund, defibrillator = Cllrs Webley and Holliday reported a company had been found who deals with defibrillators and liaises with BT with regard to purchasing the telephone box. They will also obtain paint for refurbishing the telephone box. Money has been allocated from the TAP fund. An additional defibrillator is to be located nearer the school. **ACTION: Cllr Webley & Holliday**

83/15 - erosion of the Erme river bank = letter being progressed. Recent photographs were circulated of the current damage to the river bank taken by parishioners and will be included in the letter. **ACTION: Cllr Hartwell**

83/15 - visibility issues near Endsleigh Garden Centre slip road = Cllr Hosking reported there is two way traffic signage and there are arrows on the road. Speed could be an issue on the slip road, he might be able to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph, Nick Colton D.C.C. Highways to assess. Cllr Bower asked if additional "no overtaking" signs could be erected – Cllr Hosking will liaise with Nick Colton. **ACTION: Cllr Hosking**

83/15 - Ermington Primary School crossing Bunkers Hill – Lollipop person = Cllr Hosking confirmed the £500 funding available from his locality budget for local projects could help with training and equipment but not remuneration. Nick Colton D.C.C. Highways to arrange for double yellow lines on the corners of the road leading to Fawns Close.

92/15 PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPORT ONLY (continued)

83/15 - "The Spires", height of the hedge on Church Street above the stipulated height in the agreed planning application. Cllr Hartwell passed Cllr Holway a drawing showing the hedge specification to enable Cllr Holway to investigate the matter.

83/15 - signage to be improved to advise large HGV's they cannot pass through the village = Cllr Hosking reported a 7.5 tonnes sign is in situ, it would be very difficult to implement other restrictions as access is required to enter River Park Industrial Units in Ermington.

83/15 – approach road from Yealmpton at the junction A379 and A3121, sign to close to the junction could it be repositioned further back nearer the "SLOW" sign - **ACTION: Cllr Hosking/Nick Colton D.C.C.**

84/15 - Flood resilience grant of £2000 to provide immediate flood relief - Cllr Martin has submitted the grant submitted, money to be used for personal protective equipment, flood signs etc, in addition it can be used for small. Cllr Webley to discuss ideas with Lengthsman.

93/15 ERMINGTON PARISH WEB SITE

Due to other commitments, George Jones is unable to maintain Parish web site. Councillors wished to express their vote of thanks for the work George had done in maintaining, developing and keeping the web site updated. It was agreed that Cllr Midgley and the Clerk would take over the maintaining and updating the parish web site = <http://www.ermingtonparish.com/>

94/15 PLANNING

Application number: 0072/16/HHO
Description: Householder application for proposed side extension, double garage and bungalow side extension
Application address: Westwinds Beech Road Cadleigh Devon PL21 9HN
Recommendation - Support

Application number: 160024 3120/16/HHO
Description: Householder application for a new greenhouse replacing existing shed
Application address: Burbilan, Chapel Street, Ermington, PL21 9ND
Recommendation - Support

The following planning application was discussed at a Planning Meeting on Monday 22 February 2016 and was ratified:-

Application number: 3093/15/HHO
Description: Householder application for off road parking space and disabled access to existing dwelling house
Application address: Enterprise Marjery Cross to Westlake Cross, Westlake Devon PL21 9JT
Recommendation - Support

95/15 CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence has been circulated to Councillors:-
e-mail 31/01/2015 Gill Hucker, Ermington Church Yard Committee = Churchyard Committee = **Action: Cllr Hartwell**
e-mail 02/02/2016 S.H.D.C. = Playing Pitch Strategy & Green Infrastructure Framework
e-mail 03/02/2016 Cllr R Hosking = School Catchment Area – Ivybridge
e-mail 05/02/2016 Secretary, IDALC = IDALC Meeting and Invoice
e-mail 05/02/2015 S.H.D.C. = Transparency Code
e-mail 05/02/2016 S.W Highways Group = Drainage Works: A379 Goutford Gate, Ermington
e-mail 08/02/2016 Locality Officer S.H.D.C. = Snow Wardens - South Hams – **Action: - Cllr Hartwell**
e-mail 10/02/2016 Devon Communities Together = Transport for your Community
e-mail 10/02/2016 Judy Alloway = Modbury Caring Newsletter – February 2016
e-mail 12/02/2016 S.H.D.C. = Planning Inspectorate APP/K1128/W/15/3133435: Endsleigh Garden & Leisure Ltd,
e-mail 13/02/2016 Mr L Tall = Ermington and Clécý twinning – **Action: - Cllr Walsh**
e-mail 16/02/2016 S.H.D.C. = SHDC response to proposed National Planning Policy Framework changes...
e-mail 16/02/2016 D.C.C. = Devon Minerals Plan – Submission

95/15 CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

e-mail 17/02/2016 Liz Hitchins On behalf of the 4 Rivers Dementia Alliance = Invitation to Parish Council Chairmen and clerks - to Four Rivers Dementia Alliance Half Day Conference 18th March 2016
e-mail 18/02/2016 DALC = Highways Conference 16 March 2016
e-mail 16/02/2016 Cllr Holway = Possible Planning Breach at Marjory Cross, Ermington
e-mail 22/02/2016 S.H.D.C. = Licensing Act 2003 applications
e-mail 23/02/2016 S.H.D.C. = Town and Parish Council Allowances – Recommendations
e-mail 24/02/2016 Cllr Hosking = Invest in Devon and Locality Grants

96/15 FINANCE

The following payments were approved:-

PAYMENTS

- Caretaker costs– 17 January 2016 – 16 February 2016 (inclusive)	£24.00
- Clerk costs – February 2016	£472.67
- EDF Energy – monthly Direct Debit – February 2016	£25.00
- OTM Services Ltd	£27.50
- Ivybridge & District Association of Local Councils – membership for the year 2015	£4.00
- S.L.C.C. Agenda and Minutes training course for the Clerk – 3 March 2016	£114.00

RECEIPTS

- Hire of Reading Rooms - Radical Readers	£15.00
- Hire of Reading Rooms – Ermington Tots	£20.00
- D.C.C. Parish Paths (P3)	£200.00
- Hire of Reading Rooms – ESS	£209.00

Treasurer's Account – Balance £58,011.57 as at 15 February 2016
Business Account - Balance £8,381.61 as at 9 December 2015

GRANT REQUESTS

- None

97/15 VILLAGE HALL

Quotes for electrical work on Reading Rooms – Cllr Kerslake reported the cost of emergency lighting will be £60 (including VAT). Total cost for the electrical work in the Reading Rooms will be £793, agreed to pursue.

Ermington Village Hall Working Group – 25 community group and 140 household surveys have been completed. The survey shows a requirement for a village hall, with parking being important. Ermington Primary School has submitted creative ideas for the use of a village hall.

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place after the Annual Parish Meeting which takes place on Tuesday 5 April 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Reading Rooms, Ermington.

Cllr Holway was thanked for attending the meeting and left at 8.00 pm.

Cllr Hosking arrived at 8.13 pm – left at 8.50 pm.

The meeting closed at 9.38 pm.

Signed: 
(Ermington Parish Council Chairman)

Date: 5 April 2016