

ERMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

As a result of the latest Government advice on Covid-19, **Ermington Parish Council is cancelling all public meetings until further notice.**

This advisory note details the Parish Council decisions and business carried out in the week ending Thursday 9 April 2020.

1. Covid-19 RESPONSE

All public meetings have been cancelled, but the Parish Councillors are producing news releases regarding the coronavirus which are available on the parish website. Councillors are continuing to work to the best of their ability to help and support parishioners in whatever way they can.

The parish council would like to express their sincere thanks to all those who have come forward to volunteer for various roles in the community.

2. CONFIRM MARCH 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the March 2020 meeting minutes were confirmed.

3. FINANCE

The following payments were made:

Description	Gross	VAT	Nett
Clerk's Salary – March 2020	£540.94	-	-
EDF Energy – monthly Direct Debit – March 2020	£24.00	£1.20	£22.80
Ivybridge & District Association of Local Councils – annual subscription 2019/2020	£7.00	-	-
Cllr Denis Onley – reimbursement for copy of plan	£15.60	£2.60	£13.00
Cllr Denis Onley – reimbursement for planning application re. air ambulance landing site Ermington	£142.00	£4.17	137.83
SHDC recharges in respect of the uncontested Parish Council Election 2 May 2019	£79.62	-	-
Reimbursement to Clerk – 12 x 1 st class and 12 x 2 nd class stamps	£15.72	-	-
Db Computer Repairs – assisting with website	£30.00	-	-
South Hams District Council – providing payroll service 2019/2020	£120.00	£20.00	£100.00
Devon Association of Local Council's affiliation fee for NALC and DALC	£200.24	£23.25	£176.99

RECEIPT(S)

- £1.57 interest 10/02/2020 Business Account
- £112.00 Hire of Readings Rooms

GRANT REQUEST(S) –

- Fawns Close sheltered housing residents - work on garden and seating area. The application is retrospect as the work has been done early to protect the plants. The health of the residents that managed the garden has unfortunately deteriorated, so they have been unable to maintain the area to a good standard so a professional gardener was employed for the first time. The final invoice has not been received but the quote was for £250. **Clerk to ask for the three quotes and clarification on the name of the organisation who is currently paying for the work. ACTION: Clerk**
- Parish Church of St Peter and St Paul – grant towards maintaining the churchyard £1,600.00 (previous sum given £1,200) – **when the Coronavirus restrictions have been lifted, the Clerk to invite a representative from the Churchyard Committee to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss the grant request. ACTION: Clerk**

3. FINANCE (continued)

Bank Reconciliations - Prepared by: Parish Clerk/RFO

Business Account: Balance per bank statement as at 10/02/2020	£35,907.92	
Treasurers Account: Balance per bank statement as at 13/02/2020	£58,452.27	
		£94,360.19
Less: any un-presented cheques (negative numbers)	£0.00	
		£0.00
Add: any un-banked cash/cheques	N/A £0.00	
		£0.00
	Total:	£94,360.19

4. PLANNING

South Hams District (SHDC) are continuing to issue planning applications for consultation, as the Government has given clear advice that planning services should continue to operate.

Details of planning applications received for consultation, can be accessed on South Hams District Council, Planning Portal - <https://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/680/Planning>. Should members of the public have any comments on applications, they are strongly recommended to contact South Hams District Council directly, with their comments.

Planning applications submitted to Ermington Parish Council may be commented on. Any comments made will take into account any comments made to South Hams District Council, which are published on their planning portal in their deliberations. Any responses by the parish council to planning applications, will be published on SHDC planning portal.

Planning Application(s):

0958/20/AGR

Prior approval for proposed general purpose agricultural storage building
Land at SX 613 534 Ermington, Ivybridge PL21 9LP
Recommendation: No comment

0927/20/FUL

Retrospective application for conversion of agricultural building to residential dwelling (alterations to approval 2725/19/PDM) including alterations to design, extension to residential curtilage and provision of garage
Barn At Sx 616 531 Burraton, Ermington PL21 9JZ
Recommendation: No comment

Reference: 0849/20/VAR

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning consent 1942/17/FUL
Site Address: The Croft, Penquit, Ermington, PL21 0LU
Recommendation: No comment

Planning applications ratified:

Reference: 0176/20/HHO Proposal: Householder application for replacement wall and door, additional window and addition of porch
Site Address: Leat House, Ivybridge Road, Ermington, Ivybridge, PL21 9NT

Reference: 0576/20/FUL Proposal: Siting of GRP building containing portable chemical toilet unit
Site Address: St Peter And St Pauls Church, Church Street, Ermington, PL21 9NJ

4. PLANNING (continued)

Planning Decision(s)

APPLICATION NUMBER: 0333/20/ARC

LOCATION: Woodrick Barn Lusson Westlake Ivybridge PL21 9JZ

PROPOSAL: Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 9, 10 and 12 of listed building consent 2803/15/LBC

DECISION: Discharge of condition Approved

APPLICATION NUMBER: 0339/20/ARC

LOCATION: Woodrick Barn Lusson Westlake Ivybridge PL21 9JZ

PROPOSAL: Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 9 and 10 on approved application 2802/15/FUL

DECISION: Discharge of condition Approved

APPLICATION NUMBER: 0372/20/CLP

LOCATION: 2 Erme Bridge Cottages Ermington PL21 9NN

PROPOSAL: Certificate of lawfulness for proposed cabin to be used alongside original dwelling

DECISION: Cert of Lawfulness (Proposed) Certified

APPLICATION NUMBER: 0451/20/ADV Ermington

LOCATION: Tesco Central Avenue Lee Mill Industrial Estate Lee Mill PL21 9PE

PROPOSAL: Advertisement consent for installation of 1x42" LCD media screen, 2x 1250mm x 700mm flag pole signs, overall 2450mm in height

DECISION: Conditional Approval

5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR RICHARD HOSKING'S REPORT:

Dear Ermington

1. Coronavirus containment

The Country is gripped by the Coronavirus crisis. Having adopted a strategy of containment we are all staying at home as much as possible and practicing social distancing. The message in this County Council report to everyone is Keep Safe.

We are all extremely appreciative of those who work in the NHS, caring community and key services, and thank you for your dedication at this challenging time. I paste below a link to a U tube clip that says it all.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c29Z-3hymws&feature=youtu.be>

Congratulations on establishing a Community Support network. This is quite a challenge for our smaller Parishes. Your Community Support contact details have been provided to our MPs and the Devon County Council Community Support network.

I will continue to feed to Parish Clerks important National and County information and announcements as I become aware of them. Website addresses for important public bodies such as the NHS, Public Health England, Devon & Cornwall Police, Health & Safety and HoTSW LEP with Business advice have been provided to Teresa.

Devon County Council is establishing a Devon wide network of hubs organised at District level to provide information and access to voluntary services. This will be organised locally by Cassandra Harrison at South Hams District Council. There is a Devon interactive map onto which your Support Group details can be added.

I paste at the end of this e-mail a recent Devon County Coronavirus update that provides a wealth of information about staying safe, Social Care, County Council funding of up to £5,000 for Community Support volunteer services, Devon County Council Services, Business Support, Highways, links to the important national websites and even more. The County Council are currently still providing all of our Statutory Services and staff have responded superbly to requests to redeploy to fill absences, to prepare for anticipated shortfalls as the virus progresses and to provide additional services.

I will be pleased to assist anyone in the Parish who may have difficulty accessing any of our services.

2. Highways

Safety has become the determining factor for highway maintenance and repair. Safety defects will be repaired where possible and when social distancing can be observed. Work on patching, drainage and footways has currently been suspended.

Thanks to the good weather the number of pothole reports are falling and the waiting list is reducing daily. We have two "dragon patchers" working in the County that will hopefully improve the rapidity and quality of repairs.

Road use has fallen dramatically and we are investigating the possibility of maintenance works to our busier stretches of road.

Safety inspections, on highways, bridges and trees will continue.

Nick Colton is working from home and is currently not able to carry out on site visits. However he continues to diligently respond to e-mails and I have reported to him the defects raised by you at the March meeting.

3. Issues raised at the March Parish Council Meeting.

- a. The requirement to re-paint the junction markings at Marjery Cross is in the works schedule.
- b. The requests for hedge ploughing near the Spires development and remarking of 20 mph roundels in Ermington has been forwarded awaiting response.
- c. The request for traffic Priority signs at Fernham Cottages has been submitted.
- d. I await your advice as to whether the 7.5 tonne limit sign at the A3121 junction with Bunkers Hill is still "leaning".

4. Devon Carbon Plan

I circulated recently an update on the Devon Carbon Plan together with notes concerning anticipated delay with the publication of the plan (now in two parts), the Citizen's Assembly and Public Consultation.

5. Questions

I will be pleased as ever to answer any questions. Perhaps these could be addressed by e-mail through the Chair and Parish Clerk to ensure we all remain informed.

6. Future Meetings

The regulations issued on 1st April suggest that we may next meet virtually. I have now attended a Scrutiny Committee meeting on Team available through Windows 365, and lost heavily playing Trivial Pursuit on Zoom.

I hope you are all keeping well and very much look forward to my next live appearance at a Parish Council meeting.

Kind regards

Richard

Councillor Richard Hosking
South Brent & Yealmpton Division

6. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TOM HOLWAY'S REPORT:

Dear All,

I don't have a report as such. I am in regular contact with SHDC Officers and am happy to field any questions that you or parishioners or small business owners may have for the Council or that we may be able to provide answers. I am happy for people to use this email address or the phone numbers below although I would prefer emails.

Best wishes and keep safe,

Tom

Teresa Drew
Clerk to Ermington Parish Council
10 April 2020

Ermington Parish website: <http://www.ermingtonparish.com>