# **Ermington Parish Council**

All members of Ermington Parish Council are hereby summoned to attend an Ermington Parish Council Meeting on **Tuesday 21 February 2023** at **7.30 pm**, to be held in Ermington Reading Rooms for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Teresa Drew Clerk to Parish Council

# AGENDA

Date: 13 February 2023

1. Accept apologies for absence

2. Declarations of members' interest(s) in respect of any item on this agenda. Members are also reminded that any change to their Declaration of Interests, must be notified to the Monitoring Officer at South Hams District Council within 28 days of the change.

3. Vacancies for six Parish Councillors - to consider and, if agreed, approve any applications for co-option onto the Council

4. Report from Devon County Councillor Dan Thomas

- Public footpath gate entrance opposite Plantation House & A3121 Speed limit (variation of DCC policy)

- Potholes in Westlake and Luson and flooding in Westlake

- DCC Review of Bus services to Ermington

- Restricting the times HGV's can use the roads which pass the school entrances i.e. No access between 8am to 9am, and 3pm to 4pm, Monday - Friday during term times.

- Safety of unusual dips and cambers on new roundabout at Kitterford Cross

5. Report from District Councillor Tom Holway

- Ermington House Nursing Home - complaints regarding external lights

- Fume/Air quality test around Ermington Primary School

- Re-routing the SHDC Recycling lorries going to and from the overnight parking site next to the Recycling Centre in Ivybridge via the Brown Sign HGV route rather than through the village.

- Ash trees in Ermington Play Park

- Public Open Forum Questions and comments from members of the public to Parish Councillors, County & District Councillors (a period of not more than 15 minutes). After the public open forum members of the public are asked to respect the fact, this is a meeting to conduct council business after which the public may not speak – thank you.
- 7. Resolve to approve the Parish Council Meeting minutes of 7 December 2022 (as previously circulated)

8. Ermington Cricket Club proposals for the Play Park including; a cricket pavilion, a circular path, a boule pitch and outdoor gym equipment

9. River Erme Pollution - Cllr Dunlop

10. Ermington Environmental Group - Erme Climate and Biodiversity Plan

11. Planning - Councillors to view planning applications on SHDC website prior to meeting To comply with consultation time limits, planning applications received after agenda publication may be considered at the meeting and any recommendations ratified at the subsequent meeting.

Reference: 3961/22/FUL Proposal: Proposal to install Timpson's Pod & 12x Ramraid Bollards Site Address: Tesco, Central Avenue, Lee Mill Industrial Estate, Lee Mill, PL21 9PE

Reference: 0065/23/FUL Proposal: Creation of new agricultural access (resubmission of 2498/22/FUL) Site Address: Land at SX 605 561, Lee Mill, Ivybridge

## **Planning Decisions**

APPLICATION NUMBER: 3076/22/HHO Ermington APPLICATION NUMBER: 3810/22/FUL Ermington APPLICATION NUMBER: 3811/22/FUL Ermington APPLICATION NUMBER: 3962/22/ADV Ermington DECISION: Conditional Approval DECISION: Conditional Approval DECISION: Conditional Approval DECISION: Advertisement Consent

## Planning Application Withdrawn

APPLICATION NUMBER: 2498/22/FUL 222498 Ermington and Ugborough

#### To ratify the following planning application recommendation:

Reference: 3508/22/HHO Site Address: Woodcock Barn, Burraton, PL21 9JZ

Proposal: Householder application for conversion of existing garage to habitable room, link extension to connect to existing property & addition of PV panels

Recommendation: No comment - Ermington Parish Council have declared a climate emergency and under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006 we are obligated to encourage biodiversity and enhancements for nature. As such we welcome any action that can be taken to help the natural environment and wildlife in this time of climate crisis. Any new planning development offers an opportunity for parishioners to help the Parish Council with this requirement.

We will always assess any proposed planning application in terms of the contribution to climate change.

Steps we wish applicants to take include the following, although this is not an exhaustive list and we would also welcome other solutions:

Incorporating energy efficiency, high standards of insulation, and low carbon systems for heating, cooking and lighting, together with renewable energy generation including PV solar, wind turbines, and electric vehicle charging points.

The use of locally sourced low carbon building materials and the use of building locations and designs to minimise carbon use and include the recovery and reuse of water and building materials.

Ensuring adequate drainage to reduce the risk of flooding and the use of permeable surfacing materials to hard landscape areas. N.B. The use of traditional soakaways in areas of known flooding risk will not normally be supported.

Mitigating carbon use by actions to support wildlife, such as; planting berry and fruit-bearing trees, planting hedgerows instead of fencing, maintaining hedgehog highways, installing bat and bird boxes

#### 12. Finance

#### (i) To note bank balances – Business Account on 9 January 2022 = £45,967.36 Treasurers Account on 13 January 2023 = £71,670.93

(ii) Receipt – Bank Interest (Business Account) 09/12/2022 = £10.51 09/02/2023 = £19.64

(iii) Payments - resolve to make the following payments:

Description	Gross	VAT	Net
Parish Clerk – January 2023 salary	£721.20	-	-
DB Computer Repairs – December 2022 maintenance charge for parish council website	£40.00	-	-
Futureclient Ltd – Caution Pedestrians in Road signs x 2 and clamps	£171.60	£28.60	£143.00
Source for Business – water at Reading Rooms 4 August to 30 November 2022	£41.64	-	-
Dart Fire Protection – servicing of the Reading Rooms fire extinguishers	£135.42	£22.57	£112.85
Source for Business – water at Reading Rooms 1 December 2022 – 1 February 2023	£19.37	-	-
eDF– air ambulance lights, playing fields, Ermington	£24.67	£23.50	£1.17
Cllr Denis Onley – South Hams HATPC mtg at Follaton House – mileage and printing costs	£45.49	-	-

(iv) Grant Request – lvybridge Ring and Ride

South Hams Community Voluntary Services

Ermington Village Fund- Parish Council to take over the ongoing maintenance costs (£135 approx.) of the new defibrillator for Ermington Hub/Cafe.

- (v) To approve the Financial Statement and Earmarked Reserves
- (vi) To review spend and income to date, against budget 2022/2023

(vii) Acknowledgement of compliance with the registration requirements from the Pensions Regulator

- 13. Reports on allocated areas of responsibility:
  - a) Church Liaison = **CIIr Owens**
  - b) Ermington Park = Cllr Onley
  - c) Climate Change and Biodiversity = Cllr Onley
  - d) Road Warden Scheme = **CIIr Creese**
  - e) Assessment of Parish Footpaths = CIIr Owens
  - f) Footpath from Higher Keaton to Fernham = Cllr Owens
- 14. Coronation of King Charles III Saturday 6 May 2023

#### 15. Portable Appliance Testing of equipment in Reading Rooms to be carried out in 2023

16. Correspondence to note:

DCC - Temporary Traffic Notice - WILBURTON CROSS TO BURRATON CROSS ALONG ZC199, Ermington (TTRO2348588) – information on Parish Council website

SHDC - Encouraging residents to sign up for our garden waste service by 22 January – information on Parish Council website National Highways notification - A38 Smithaleigh entry slip closure

SHDC - Become a District Councillor at South Hams and Make a Difference for the Future – information on Parish Council website SHDC - Council using funds to support households in the South Hams – information on Parish Council website

SHDC - South Hams Council Tax Reduction scheme designed to help more people than ever - – information on Parish Council website

17. To confirm date of the next Parish Council Meeting

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Agenda and minutes can be viewed on the Ermington Parish website

http://www.ermingtonparish.com/parish-council/archives

To report issues to the local Police. Members of the public who have a non-urgent matter to bring to the attention of their Local Policing Team, the easiest way of contacting them is https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/your-area/teams/lvybridge/Overview or the contact form: https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/your-area/teams/lvybridge/Contact

To report highway issues - https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/ Devon road works completed, current and future - https://apps1.wdm.co.uk/Live/Devon/PBLC/PIP/Map.aspx?cg=sws