

HITTISLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26th March 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Mark Brown, Bernard Curtis, Brian Howell, Gill Fisher, Richard Gard (chairman), Cathy Wetherden and Ruth Curtis (clerk); MDDCllrs Derek Coren and one member of the public

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Libby Turrell (vice chair), MDDCllr Peter Heal and DCCLr Nick Way
2. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Wetherden declared an interest in item 5 19/00279/PNAG and Cllr Howell in item 5 19/00295/FULL
3. **Minutes of the last meeting held on 13th February 2019** were approved and signed as a true record.
4. **Matters Arising**
 - 4.1 Highways
 - Letter to Meg Booth – we are waiting a response to our email re: various highways matters in the parish (Steve Short is Steve Tucker's boss)
 - Invoice due from road warden for diesel (add to agenda for next meeting)
 - Drain at Dennis Down – Cllr Brown reported that DCC Highways have jetted the drain here. Cllr Brown to coordinate clearing the gully with volunteers.
 - 4.2 Community Garden S106 – the clerk had spoken to Jo Williams (JW) and will contact Cheriton Bishop PC for support. Once JW is in receipt of all documentation and written support from CB and District Councillors, a decision will be made.
 - 4.3 Parish Council meetings – it was agreed to change meetings to the third Wednesday keeping the same months. The May meeting will be Wednesday 15th May TBC to fit with timings required post election.
 - 4.4 May elections – any outstanding nomination forms to be completed the meeting. Completed forms must be received at Tiverton by 3rd April.
5. **Planning**
 - 19/00295/FULL Erection of replacement dwelling, Forder Cottage, Cheriton Bishop – response by 2nd April (extension). Councillors discussed the application which will site the new dwelling around 20ft from the existing house. Response: Hittisleigh Parish Council have no objection to the application and consider the relocation an improvement away from a damp area.
 - 18/01876/FULL - Erection of dwelling and carport/workshop on land at NGR 271183 94393 (Fursham Down Farm), Hittisleigh – revised drawings response 10 April – Response: Hittisleigh Parish Council have considered the application and, with a smaller footprint and relocation further away from the hedge line, feel the revised scheme is more fitting.
 - 19/00279/PNAG Prior notification acceptance for the erection of extension to an agricultural storage shed, Eastwood Farm, Hittisleigh – noted.
 - JW Mann Ltd 2701/18/FUL (West Devon) – Development of new farm shop and ancillary cafe with supporting secondary areas consisting of storage, WCs, offices and kitchen space (resubmission of 1255/18/FUL). The application was refused (planning officer recommended it be approved but the Planning Committee rejected it). It is understood the applicant will appeal.
6. **Correspondence**
 - 6.1 For response
 - Rural Services Network Rural Strategy – request for support. Clerk to respond with parish council support.

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- DCC Review of the Reuse Credit Scheme (RCS) – HPC response: option 3 to leave as is, valued resources. The clerk to complete the form.
- 6.2 For information
- DCC Connect Me – broadband voucher scheme continuing. Make information available at monthly market.
 - Devon Communities Together Rural Conference
 - No comments on other items circulated.
- 6.3 New correspondence – none

Before the formal close of the meeting, councillors paid tribute to Cllr Curtis's 27 years of service and thanked him for all his support to the parish. A photograph was taken to mark the occasion and will be displayed in the village hall.

Next parish council meeting Weds 15 May 2019 TBC