

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 10 AUGUST 2022  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM OF BOW VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Mr C D Nicks in the Chair,  
Mrs D M Pritchett-Farrell,  
Messrs R P Edworthy, C R McAllister, T J Vanstone and V Steer.  
Cllr White and Cllr Letch (part only).  
Clerk: Miss B D Ware.  
Members of the Public: Five (four part only).

**Apologies:** Mrs L A Hamilton and Mr N P Edworthy.

**PARISH COUNCIL**

1. **Public Open Forum.**

Two Representatives of Bow Village Hall and Field Management Committee addressed Parish Council, regarding the proposed new pump track, advising that the Committee had worked with a landscaper, with plans produced which were available to view. Funding had been received from the Den Brook Community Fund and from the DCC Locality Fund. It was reported that £25,000 had been raised towards the project which was reported as costing some £50/£60,000 + vat. Representatives commented that Devon County Council had rejected a grant application (understood to be on grounds that DCC wasn't confident full funding could be raised). The representatives asked about MDDC's Sect.106 Fund for Bow. Committee representatives confirmed that parents were supportive of the project also that some children were involved by being sponsored in various activities. Committee representatives mentioning Planning requirements, had attempted to make arrangements for a pre-application Planning meeting. Whether Planning consent was required was unclear. The Committee was keen to progress the project and to have it in order by March 2023, otherwise some funding might be lost. Parish Council suggested that Planning permission would probably not be required, however, Cllr White would check with MDDC (Ms Angharad Williams, Head of Planning).

2. **Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2022 and on 13 July 2022, having been circulated in advance, were taken as read and signed.

3. **Matters Arising:-**

- (i) Bow Swimming Pool, request for funding. Information had been requested by the Clerk, some information had been received, including the cost of a new solar heat pump at £3,960 but not anticipated cost of upgrading associated pipework. The Clerk had made enquiries of MDDC re. Sect.106 pots of funding for Bow, as suggested. After brief discussion, Mr Steer proposed a sum of £4,000 be donated which was favoured. Mr Nicks to liaise with Bow Swimming Pool Management Committee to ascertain whether that sum covered needs.
- (ii) Jackman car park, damage to neighbouring fence. Mr Steer had spoken to Barns Cottage householder who had planted a hedge along eastern boundary of his garden, on his land, after which the temporary fence which had been damaged by the vehicle crashing into the steel Armco crash barrier, would be removed. The Clerk commented that garden waste had been dumped in the car park which Mr Steer may be able to address later in the year.

4. **Planning**

APPLICATIONS

[22/01289/HOUSE](#)

*Proposal:* Erection of single storey rear extension

*Location:* 27 Godfreys Gardens, Bow, Crediton, Devon EX17 6HT

*Site Vicinity Grid Ref:* 272125 / 101482

Information had been conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 11 July 2022

Bow Parish Council Approved the application.

### [21/02347/OUT](#)

*Proposal:* Outline for the erection of three dwellings following removal of bungalow, with all matters reserved

*Location:* Moorland View, Station Road, Bow, Crediton, Devon EX17 6HU

*Site Vicinity Grid Ref:* 272157 / 101417

Information had been conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 13 July 2022

Bow Parish Council Approved the application.

### [22/01418/HOUSE](#)

*Proposal:* Erection of garage with ancillary use above

*Location:* Bow Station, Bow, Crediton, Devon EX17 6JD

*Site Vicinity Grid Ref:* 271661 / 100015

Information had been conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 28 July 2022

Bow Parish Council Approved the application.

### MDDC DECISIONS

Nil

#### 5. **Casual Vacancy.**

MDDC Electoral Services hadn't received any election requests; the vacancy would be filled by co-option.

Notices had been posted on notice boards. Bow News Desk Facebook site could be used to publicise vacancy.

#### 6. **Bow Village Hall and Village Field Management Committee, Request for Support and Funding towards Village Field Development (Pump Track), Request for £10,000.**

Subsequent to the presentation (refer Public Open Forum), there was brief discussion, including the sums held in MDDC's Bow Sect.106 pots – the General Fund Bow (Pre 2015) held was £3,355.57 and the Improvements to Play Areas within the Parish of Bow was £4,326.00 (total £7,681.57). Whether these combined sums could be used for the pump track needed to be established. Cllr White would make enquiries of MDDC and would copy in the Clerk in correspondence. Mr Steer proposed that, in addition to the Sect.106 Fund, that Parish Council donate a further £4,000 (total £11,681.57). It also needed to be ascertained whether Bow Village Hall and Field Management Committee required the actual funds immediately or whether a pledge to supply the funding, when needed, would suffice.

#### 7. **Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), Bow Village Hall, Damaged Cabinet Lid.**

A replacement cabinet lid had been ordered in June – an incorrect replacement lid had been delivered and duly returned – a correct lid was awaited from manufacturer (supplier was experiencing difficulty in sourcing a lid).

#### 8. **D. C.C. Highways Matters.**

*Speeding A3072 western approach to village (proposed extension of 30mph limit).* DCC Highways approach to Parish Council still awaited.

*Proposed Community Speedwatch (A3072 western approach to village, eastbound traffic).* Four local would-be volunteers had been invited to attend the Parish Council meeting but one indisposed and two were on holiday. Crediton Community Speed Watch co-ordinator, Mr Bob Wright, addressed the meeting. He outlined the scheme, two prospective Speed Watch sites at Bow had been risk assessed and Police approved. He explained the CSW co-ordinator's role – he/she organised availability of CSW volunteers, planned sessions with volunteers receiving auto emails re. booked sessions and booked equipment via the Police. The on-site task involved recording time, vehicle speed, make, registration number and colour of vehicle which is fed back to the co-ordinator who, in turn, feeds it via CSW system to the Police. Mr Wright advised that first speed misdemeanours generated a warning letter, second misdemeanours a letter delivered by the Police and on third occasions data is placed on the Police National Computer (PNC), so vehicles would be looked out for in the future. Certain vehicles, eg motor cycles, taxis and emergency vehicles, were specifically categorised. Information went to DVLA, to check MoT and road tax status, which was then passed back to the Police. Mr Wright had brought leaflet information which he circulated and a poster to raise both profile and attract volunteers to CSW. He was thanked for his presentation. *Vehicle Activated Speed Sign (VAS).* DCC's advices following SCARF meetings awaited (meeting dates unknown).

#### 9. **DCC Report.**

Cllr Letch reported.

The motion on a MoT type standard for roads had been rejected by DCC.

Cllr Letch had requested a report from the Cabinet member for Highways, which reportedly referred to 711 road surface defects for Devon, but that figure had been disputed given the vast number of local defects (if replicated across Devon it would far exceed 711).

The 0.4% increase in DCC Highways budget resulted in a negative impact. It had been requested that funding negotiations with government take place, to bring roads up to standard, which had been agreed by DCC.

DCC Leader, Cllr Croad, had decided to suspend the Locality Fund. That decision might be called in to the Scrutiny Committee.

DCC was anticipating an approx. £30m deficit, with a huge deficit on Children's Services.

DCC did not meet during August, however, Cllr Letch was planning a (Liberal Democrat) leaflet drop to parishioners.

10. **Monitoring of Services** (D.C.C. & M.D.D.C.).

D.C.C. Service satisfactory – comment would not be submitted.

M.D.D.C. New black wheelie bins (available in only one size, 180L, but seagull bags were also available) had been delivered to most Bow properties.

11. **Correspondence**

MDDC, issue of letters to residents detailing delivery of 180L black wheelie bins to residents, over coming weeks, with links to further info.

MDDC press release, Neighbourhood Plan for Crediton referendum, on 22/9/22.

DCC, Roadmap, parish & town council Highways newsletter - Summer 2022.

Plymouth Council, Peninsula Transport and Western Gateway Sub-National Transport Bodies, developed and published a joint freight strategy for the South West (enhancing resilience in the supply chain across transport modes).

MDDC, Planning training for town and parish councils, postponed to September (date to be advised) given Planning Dept currently being under resourced.

Bow Village Hall & Village Field Management Committee, letter of thanks for the Parish Council donation of £350.00 towards Village Field arboretum.

12. **Finance.**

Bank balances brought forward: Deposit a/c £7,994.08, Current a/c £29,571.26

ACCOUNTS AUTHORISED FOR PAYMENT

First Response First Aid Ltd (AED, village hall, cabinet replacement lid) £125.00 (correct item not yet received)

EDF Energy (electricity for DAAT community landing light village field) £53.16

First Response First Aid Ltd (AED, village hall, two sets of adult pads) £143.94

13. **Any Other Business.**

No matters raised.

14. **Date of Next Meeting.**

Wednesday 14 September 2022 at 7.30pm at the Community Room of Bow Village Hall.

This concluded the business and the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50p.m.