

FENITON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11th FEBRAURY 2008

Present: Cllr M Smith (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs B Powell, M Jolly, Mrs K Tomkins, Mrs P Blackmore, P Privett

In Attendance: Cllr R Giles (DCC), Cllr G Brown (EDDC), PCSO P Anning, 6 Members of the Public, Mr J Tippin EDDC.

Apologies: Cllr G Preston

Mr Tippin, the EDDC Licensing Manager, gave members a comprehensive brief on the workings of the current Licensing law and how his department dealt with applications. Major points are; applications are granted if they fulfil 4 objectives, prevention of crime, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and protection of children from harm. Statute has laid down a number of responsible authorities who are able to comment on applications (they do not include parish councils). Members of the public can make representations in respect of applications. Applications have to be advertised in the local press and appear on the EDDC website. Objectors have 28 days in which to state their objections to EDDC. All applications are considered by the EDDC Licensing Committee at which objectors can state their case. The Chairman thanked Mr Tippin for his helpful brief. Mr Tippin then left the meeting.

Questions from the Public

Mrs Garside stated work has now begun on the development adjacent to 2 South View and this seems to have narrowed Green Lane. It was understood the developer was keen to maintain the history associated with this site.

Mr Partridge stated no application had been forthcoming regarding the development adjacent to his property and he had been asked by EDDC to report exactly what had taken place. He understood EDDC would also be contacting the Parish Council to ascertain their view as to what action is recommended. Mr Partridge also commented on the application for development at 2 York Crescent.

141. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted and approved.

142. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2008 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

143. Police Officer's Report

PCSO Anning reported that 2 crimes had been reported in the month. 1 was internet fraud, the other criminal damage to a vehicle. PCSO Anning also made a plea for the public to report matters to the relevant authorities as it was in this way, evidence was accrued and hopefully concerns could be addressed.

144. County and District Councillor's Reports

Cllr Brown commented on the Regional Spatial Strategy and that the reported second new town requirement was a desk exercise at this stage. However, it was clear that the government required considerable more housing to be provided in Devon, and this in turn would require a lot of industrial development land. Cllr Brown also reported on the meeting held at EDDC with the Chief Planning Officer, Mr Pyle (Feniton Playing Fields) and Members of the Council on the matter of ensuring the playing fields was not developed. This had been a positive meeting and several policies had been identified that would go a long way to saving the land from development. Cllr Brown suggested that a working party be set up comprising the County and District councillors, the Playing Fields management and Members of the Council. (Note this suggestion will be discussed at the Village Plan meeting on 25th February 2008. Mr Pyle commented that he felt the village would lose control of the facility if DCC purchased the land.

Cllr Giles reported DCC had sent a strong reply of rejection to the government on the recommendations relating to a second new town in the Regional Spatial Strategy.

Cllrs Brown and Giles then left the meeting.

145. Declarations of Interest by Members and Officers

Cllr Preston declared an interest in the application 08/0270/FUL 2 York Crescent.

146. Consideration of Planning Matters

- a. 08/0068/FUL 19 Salisbury Ave** – erection of single storey extension. Recommended refusal on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site.
- b. 08/0141/FUL 14 Feniton Gardens** – erection of single storey extension and internal alterations. No objections.
- c. 08/0178/FUL 70 Wells Ave** – kitchen and porch extension. No objections.

- d. **08/0270/FUL 2 York Crescent** – erection of 2 storey side extension and alterations. Recommended refusal on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site.
- e. **08/0277/FUL 104 Wells Ave** – extension. No objections.
- f. **07/3186/FUL The Sidings** – erection of new garage to front of property. Approved by EDDC.
- g. **63 Acland Park** – Appeal dismissed.
- h. **EDDC letter** – Land at Fenny Meadow change of use. Members took note.
- i. **06/1506/FUL Feniton Mill** – minor amendments agreed by EDDC noted.

147. Finance

The following payments were authorised:

1550	Atlas Fencing	£744.27	repair of QE2 play area fencing
1551	P J Higginson	£236.86	Clerk's salary/expenses
1552	HM Revenue	£79.00	Clerk's salary
1553	A Spry	£96.25	Village handyman

148. To set the date for the Annual Parish Meeting

It was Resolved to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on 14th April 2008 at 7.30pm (preceded by the April Council meeting).

149. Village Handyman's Report

Mr Spry had nothing to report.

150. Correspondence

- a. **Honiton Library and Information Centre** – it was Resolved to make a S137 grant of £15 for 2008.09.
- b. **DCC Unitary update.** Members took note.

151. Parish Council Website

There was no report from the Chairman.

152. Individual Member Responsibilities

Cllr Mrs Powell alerted members to the history weekend in September organised by the church and it was agreed to have the Council's Minute Books on display.
Cllr Mrs Tomkins reported she had not heard any further from EDDC regarding the provision of the MUGA.

153. **Dates of next meetings. Monday 25th February 2008 (Village Plan), and Monday 10th March 2008 (March Council).** Cllr Mrs Blackmore gave her apologies for the March meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2100 hrs.

.....**Presiding Chairman 10th March 2008**