

FENITON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2006

Present: Cllr J Horrocks (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs B Powell, J Selmes, G Preston, M Smith, Mrs K Tomkins, P Privett

In Attendance: Cllr R Giles (DCC), Cllr N Spence (EDDC)

Apologies: PC Vickery, PCSO Anning

63. Apologies

Apologies were accepted and approved.

64. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th October 2006 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

65. Police Officer's Report

No report was available.

66. County and District Councillor's Reports

There was no report from EDDC. Cllr Giles (DCC) produced a written report (attached) regarding the Meals on Wheels service from Ottery Hospital which was now to be provided by a catering contractor, news of the funding for toilets at Feniton Station and a brief comment on the recent Government White Paper as it related to parish councils.

67. Declarations of Interest by Members and Officers

No declarations were made.

68. Planning Matters

Applications:

- 1. 06/2850/FUL 10 Wells Avenue** – erection of single storey extension.
Recommended for approval.

2. **06/2963/FUL Land at Kirtin Lane, Buckerell** – erection of two poultry buildings. Recommended for approval. Cllr Spence declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion.
3. **06/3067/LBC The Old Chapel, Feniton Mill** – replace existing door with window. Recommended for approval.

EDDC Decisions

06/2629/FUL Feniton School – siting of mobile building for teaching area – Granted

69. Finance

The following cheque payments were authorised:

1472	A Spry	£88.00	Village handyman
1473	P J Higginson	£308.56	salary/expenses
1474	Inland Revenue	£77.92	salary
1475	South West Water	£16.78	allotments

70 To consider the draft 2007/8 budget

It was **Resolved** to allocate £200 to Twinning and £1000 to Play Equipment to the draft budget prepared by the Clerk and to consider Section 137 grants at the December meeting.

70. To consider the Parish Boundary

Members considered the current map of the parish after the Chairman had raised the matter that several recent planning applications outside the boundary in the areas of Fenny Bridges and south of tool gate corner had considerable effect upon residents. It was **Resolved** to write to Ottery St Mary Town Council with two proposals to amend the mutual boundary. Both would take the western boundary of Feniton as the River Tale, option 1 would take the southern boundary as the old A30 eastwards (surrendering a small part currently south of the old A30 to Ottery); option 2 would take the new A30 as the southern boundary. Option 2 would have the advantage of avoiding the situation of having properties on opposite sides of a road in different parishes.

71. To consider applications for the post of Village Handyman

Two tenders had been received. It was **Resolved** to appoint Mr A Spry from 1 April 2007 at a rate of £8.75 per hour for a period of three years, with annual payment reviews at the 1 April 2008 and 1 April 2009 points.

72. Village Handyman's Report

There was nothing to report.

73. Correspondence

- a. NALC Government White paper.** The Clerk reported that there was little of substance for parish councils in the recent White Paper. Members took note.
- b. Countryside Alliance – Rural Post Offices.** Members agreed to support the efforts to secure the future of rural post offices
- c. EDDC street name plate for Colestocks Road.** The Clerk explained the response by EDDC to the request for a street name plate for Colestocks Road which would require the Council to consult all the residents and to pay for the plate. Cllr Spence agreed to see what he could do to resolve what the Council considered to be a simple matter of EDDC providing something they failed to do when all the village roads (except Colestocks Road) received name plates several years ago.

74. Late Entry Correspondence

- a. EDDC Play Monies.** EDDC were still offering the possibility of all weather play areas in 5 locations in the District. It was agreed Cllr Tomkins speak to Peter Jeffs at EDDC as the QE2 play area might be a suitable location.

75. Council Website.

Cllr Selmes confirmed the church detail was now on the site. Cllr Selmes was asked to contact one of the churchwardens to explain the reason for the delay

76. Land at the Playing Fields, Station Road

The Clerk explained he had written to the agents of the Acland Estate regarding the future of the land at the playing fields, Station Road indicating the Parish Plan results showed a clear majority in favour of it being secured for the benefit of the village. To date no response had been received from the Agents.

77. The Feniton Village Plan

The Chairman reported the Plan was now in draft form and it was hoped to confirm the draft at the next Plan Group meeting. The Clerk would email the draft to Members.

78. Individual member Responsibilities

Cllr Mrs Powell asked what had been done regarding the complaint of unreasonable parking in the lay-by in Feniton Gardens. The Clerk reported that PCSO Jay Bowden had confirmed that no law was being broken and she was therefore not able to do much. It was agreed the Clerk write to the person concerned to ask that he be more reasonable pending action by Cllr Spence with EDDC (the land is owned by EDDC).

79. Date of next meeting. Monday 11th December 2006 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2055 hrs

Signed this 11th day of December 2006Presiding
Chairman