

Hemyock Parish Council Monthly Meeting
held in the Forbes Lounge at 7.30pm on 3rd April 2013

Subject	Action
<p>1. <u>Present</u> Mrs H Stallard (Chair), Mr I McCulloch, Mr R Brooke, Mr R Calcraft, Mr S Clist, Mr J Edwards, Mr S Major, Mr L Povah, Mr R Radford (County Councillor), Mr F Rosamond (District Councillor), Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk), and 15 members of the public. <u>Apologies</u> Mr Hart (away) & Mr Barton (away)</p>	
<p>2. <u>Public Questions</u> A member of the public submitted one question to the clerk before the meeting. 2.1 I do not understand how Mr Lehner's agent can claim that it is not financially viable to develop the Station Rd car park (BMX track and area) exclusively for affordable housing when Mr Lehner is already building 12 houses on this basis on the site adjacent to Culmstock Road. I suggest the site should be offered to other developers who can come up with a more suitable mix of housing with an emphasis on affordable accommodation. <i>The grant funding from the government which was used to help develop the Culmstock Road site is no longer available. Also, each potential development site will have different acquisition costs, which will in turn affect the costs of development.</i></p>	
<p>3. <u>Declaration of Interest/Dispensations</u> The clerk declared that:- Mrs Stallard</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a Director of Upper Culm Community Land Trust and there is a dispensation in place for her to participate and vote on any matter relating to Planning Application 12/004198/OUT. • is a Member of the Parish Hall Committee • is a Member of the Youth Garages Project Committee <p>Mr Brooke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a Director of the Upper Culm Community Land Trust • has a disclosable pecuniary interest in the Youth Garages Project but there is a dispensation in place to allow him to participate but not vote on matters affecting this project. <p>Mr Calcraft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a Member of the Parish Hall Committee • is a Member of the Culm Valley Trail <p>Mr Povah</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a Director of Upper Culm Community Land Trust and there is a dispensation in place for him to participate and vote on any matter relating to Planning Application 12/004198/OUT. • is a Member of the Culm Valley Trail. • is a Member of the Youth Garages Project Committee <p>Mr Clist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a Director of the Upper Culm Community Land Trust and there is a dispensation in place for him to participate and vote on any matter relating to Planning Application 12/004198/OUT <p>Mr Major</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a member of the Upper Culm Community Land Trust <p>Mr McCulloch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a member of Upper Culm Community Land Trust and there is a dispensation in place for him to participate and vote on any matter relating to Planning Application 12/004198/OUT. 	
<p>4. <u>Minutes from Previous Meetings</u> PROPOSAL: The Council minutes of the 6th March are approved, subject to the following amendment reference item 18: Mr Brooke will no longer take an active role</p>	

<p>in the <i>construction side</i> of the project. PROPOSED: Mr McCulloch SECONDED: Mr Brooke DECISION: passed</p> <p>PROPOSAL: The Council minutes of the 14th March are approved. PROPOSED: Mr Major SECONDED: Mr Brooke DECISION: passed</p> <p>PROPOSAL: The Council minutes of the 27th March are approved. PROPOSED: Mr McCulloch SECONDED: Mr Calcraft DECISION: passed. Mr Major and Mr Brooke abstained from voting.</p>	
<p>5. <u>Matters arising from previous minutes not on current agenda</u></p> <p>5.1 <u>Culmstock Road Development</u> – Clerk has contacted Rhys Davies DCC requesting 20mph speed limit and traffic calming plateau.</p> <p>5.2 <u>Hedgerows</u> – Mr McCulloch: to carry forward</p> <p>5.3 <u>Benches</u> – Mr McCulloch: to carry forward</p> <p>5.4 <u>Bus Shelter</u> – Chair has spoken with the neighbouring property owner affected by the proposed bus shelter and he has no objection. Mr McCulloch will look at the potential problem reference Alder tree roots. Clerk to re-circulate bus shelter designs and all to feedback to Clerk. PROPOSAL: The Council instruct DCC to install bus shelter. PROPOSED: Mr Major SECONDED: Mr Edwards DECISION: passed.</p> <p>5.5 <u>Assets of Community Value</u> – Jonathan Guscott MDDC Planning is happy for his team to visit and discuss this in more detail. Clerk to invite Jonathan to the Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p>5.6 <u>Asset Register/Insurance Review</u> – Clerk to carry forward</p>	<p>IM IM IM/Clerk</p> <p>Clerk Clerk</p>
<p>6. <u>District Council Report</u></p> <p>6.1 <u>Footpath from Eastlands to Bungalows</u> – Mr Rosamond confirmed it is not wholly clear who is responsible for the footpath. MDDC will discuss with DCC. In the meantime, MDDC will ensure the tenants at No 18 and 19 trim back their borders to maximise the path width.</p> <p>6.2 <u>Efficiency of solar panels</u> – There are 2 sets of figures: Those for Council-owned buildings and those for the housing stock, as follows:-</p> <p>1)The commercial PV figures for a full 12 months for Phoenix House and Leisure centres are:-</p> <p>Total amount of electricity generated in kilo watt hours = 255,592 KWH, this would have cost the council £25k to import this electricity from the grid (based on £0.10 per unit).</p> <p>Total amount of money via Feed In Tariff payments = an additional £40K.</p> <p>The use of solar panels to generate this amount of electricity will have reduced CO2 emissions by an estimated 133 tonnes.</p> <p><u>2) Solar PV portfolio report for Mid Devon District Council's Housing Stock</u> Summary: Following a less than perfect January, the adverse weather conditions have continued into the month of February. Due to this most of the systems in the portfolio have performed below their design criteria. In the month of February the Mid Devon portfolio (1175 installed systems) has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generated 105,366kWh of electricity. • Performed at 75.65% of design. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saved residents up to £13.50 each on their electricity bills (based on 14.47p/kWh) <p>This financial year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generated a total of 2,154,191 kWh • Performed at 91.48% of design. • Avoided 1,164.41 tonnes of carbon emissions <p>6.3 Mr Rosamond gave an update</p> <p><u>Precept Mistake</u> - Mr Rosamond apologised for the administrative error that MDDC made in sending out incorrect council tax bills. The cost of correcting this mistake is believed to be approximately £12,000.00. Mr Clist thanked Mr Rosamond for his apology and for showing remorse.</p> <p><u>Tiverton Tourist Information Service</u> – This is out for tender.</p> <p><u>Car Parking</u> – There will be no increase in the £1 for 5 hours charge in the multi storey car park; the free parking at Phoenix House for 15 minutes will be maintained; and the no return within 2 hours will be scrapped.</p> <p><u>Play Area</u> – Latest safety inspection was endorsed.</p> <p><u>Sandbag Provision</u> – MDDC will only stock sandbags for their own housing. It was suggested that MDDC may be able to work with the Environment Agency to supply sandbags. Mr Rosamond will investigate.</p> <p><u>Lords Meadow Leisure Centre</u> – The centre has re-opened.</p>	FR
<p>7. <u>County Council Report</u></p> <p>Mr Radford gave an update on some outstanding issues.</p> <p>7.1 <u>Floodbridge Adoption</u> – on-going</p> <p>7.2 <u>Dropped Kerbs</u> – Mr Major to annotate on map where dropped kerbs are required. Mr Povah will attend any site meetings.</p> <p>7.3 <u>Road Sign</u> – Chair to pass fallen road sign to Mr Radford</p> <p>7.4 <u>Clements Farm to Culmhead Farm</u> – Although some work has taken place, the road surface is still not satisfactory. Mr Radford to speak with Willy Pike, DCC.</p> <p>7.5 <u>Downgrading of roads</u> – Mr Radford will investigate and report back to Mr McCulloch. <i>Post meeting – Mr Radford reported back, please see appendices 1 - 3.</i></p> <p>7.6 <u>Who to contact</u> – to report any problems either use the number given in the Pump (0845 155 1004) or email csc.roads@devon.gov.uk.</p>	SM/LP HS RR RR
<p>8. <u>Planning</u></p> <p>Applications received for:-</p> <p>8.1 13/00287/FULL – installation of clay pigeon hoist, Hemyock Common. PROPOSAL: The Council support the application. PROPOSED: Mr Calcraft SECONDED: Mr Clist DECISION: passed. The council supported this application subject to the following:- On the application, Q3 states the commencement and completion date is 2006 and this should be 2011. Assuming no re-submission is necessary, the council supports this application.</p> <p>8.2 13/00342/FULL – erection of first floor extension, Bethany House, Culmstock Road, Hemyock PROPOSAL: The Council support the application. PROPOSED: Mr Major SECONDED: Mr Clist DECISION: passed. The council supported this application and made the following comment: on the plans, the elevations are marked incorrectly.</p> <p>Other Planning Matters</p> <p>8.3 <u>Draft Supplementary Planning Document</u> Mr Major responded on the council’s behalf to the first draft of this consultation document concerning provision of parking on new developments. Mr Major will again feedback on the council’s behalf. The council would like to thank Mr Major for his work on this consultation.</p> <p>8.4 <u>MDDC Employment Land Review</u> – Mr Major passed this document on to Mr Clist.</p>	Clerk Clerk SM

<p>9. Finance</p> <p>9.1 The meeting was updated on the following financial matters:</p> <p><u>Income</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. £39.38 Stonehenge Masonry 2. £0.80 Interest 14 day a/c 3. £0.04 Interest g/f a/c 4. £0.24 Interest P3 5. £3,136.00 TAP Fund grant MDDC 6. £3,114.39 Garages Youth Fund monies (council to hold on behalf of Youth Project until accounts are set up) <p><u>Expenditure</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. £6.60 Wasteology – cemetery green waste 2. £433.22 DALC Annual Membership 3. £27.50 Hemyock Parish Hall – room hire plus ‘Have Your Say’ meeting 4. £141.23 DCC - photocopying throughout year 5. £2,000.00 Longmead - balance of 2012/13 maintenance contribution 6. £654.18 Mrs D Evans – Clerk’s wages & expenses for March 7. £45.00 Mr I Pike – Cemetery Maintenance. 8. £796.40 Culmstock Parish Council (their share of TAP Fund) 9. £423.40 Clayhidon Parish Council (their share of TAP Fund) <p>PROPOSAL: that all income is agreed and the above cheques/payments are paid/agreed.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Mr McCulloch SECONDED: Mr Major DECISION: passed.</p> <p>Other Finance</p> <p>9.2 The council received £1,916.20 from the TAP Fund. Originally it was hoped that the council would receive more than its allowance and wanted to give £250.00 to Culmstock Cricket Club to help pay for coaching for the youth team, as well as fully fund the youth workers in Hemyock at a cost of £2,424.39.</p> <p>PROPOSAL: the extra £508.19 needed to fund the garages youth workers should be paid from Parish funds.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Mr Clist SECONDED: not seconded DECISION: failed.</p> <p>PROPOSAL: £250.00 from the Tap Fund grant is paid to Culmstock Cricket Club to provide coaching for the youth team.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Mrs Stallard SECONDED: Mr Major DECISION: agreed. Mr Brooke and Mr Clist abstained from voting.</p>	
<p>10. Clerk Update</p> <p>10.1 <u>Standing Orders</u> – carry forward. Clerk to arrange meeting with HS, IM, SC, TB and LP.</p> <p>10.2 <u>DALC</u> – Section 137 expenditure limit increased from £6.80 to £6.98.</p> <p>10.3 <u>HMRC</u> – Real Time Information (RTI). From 6th April HMRC requires information at the time of payment to employees. Sandra Aldworth is aware.</p> <p>10.4 <u>Great War Centenary</u> – Michael Cooper is arranging an Open Meeting to be held on Thursday 6th June at 7.30pm in the Church Rooms to see what support there is within the community for an event. He has asked the council to consider a date for such an event. The council thought a date in August 2014 would be appropriate. Clerk to confirm.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

<p>sheltered housing. One way forward might be for the CLT to purchase existing properties and convert them.</p> <p>The CLT was represented at the regional Gathering of CLTs at Norton Sub Hamdon Village Hall on Wednesday 27th March. A brief presentation on our progress was given.</p> <p>A meeting of CLT Members is being held next week. As well as an update on progress, ideas for possible future projects are being invited.</p> <p>A second issue of the CLT Newsletter has been produced and circulated to members.</p> <p>17.2 Mr Major asked what code level for sustainable homes has the Culmstock Road development adopted and what measures over and above those required by the relevant code are the CLT planning to implement. Clerk to write to the CLT.</p>	Clerk
<p>18. <u>Annual Parish Meeting</u></p> <p>Mr Major reported that he had provisionally booked Martin Rich from the Community Council of Devon (CCD) to facilitate at the APM. It was agreed the agenda for the meeting would be broadly along the following lines: Chair to provide a summary of the year, consideration of a Parish Plan/Neighbourhood Plan by Martin Rich, CCD, with input from Jonathan Guscott's team (MDDC Planning) to provide additional support on planning matters, as well as Assets of Community Value. The Blackdown Hills Transition Group will be invited to make a presentation and all local groups, clubs and organisations will be invited to produce reports, leaflets, flyers etc. Cheese and wine and cream teas will be available. Chair to liaise with Mr Major over finer details of the main agenda item (Parish Plan). Clerk to contact clubs, BH Transition Group and Jonathan Guscott.</p>	HS/SM Clerk
<p>19. <u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>19.1 <u>Damage to gate Station Road</u> – Mr Brooke will deal with.</p> <p>19.2 <u>Annual Parish Meeting of Cullompton</u> noted.</p> <p>19.3 <u>Voluntary Action Mid Devon</u> mini bus survey noted.</p> <p>19.4 <u>Wasteology</u> increase in charges noted.</p> <p>19.5 <u>Cullompton Markets</u> noted.</p> <p>19.6 <u>Flooding in village</u> – several emails have been received ref flooding in the village. It was suggested that a team of people (similar to litter pickers) need to keep an eye on the drains and gulleys and report any problems as soon as they arise. Mr Barton has offered to arrange a meeting in May to speak with the Hemyock Emergency Committee and interested parishioners to take this work forward. Clerk will check emails and coordinate a reply with Mr Barton.</p>	Clerk/TB
<p>20. <u>Chairman's Business</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>21. <u>Items raised by Councillors</u></p> <p>21.1 'Have Your Say' results: Mr Povah noted that under the 'other' category of the 'Have Your Say' results four people brought up village expansion. See appendix 4 for results.</p>	
<p>22. <u>PR</u></p> <p>The Council requested PR on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garages Youth Project • Annual Parish Meeting • Commons Management Group 	
<p>23. <u>Date of the Next Council Meeting.</u> Wednesday 1st May at 7.30pm Forbes Lounge</p>	

Meeting closed at 10.10pm

Signed.....*Date*.....