

Hemyock Parish Council
Monthly Meeting
held in the Forbes Lounge at 7.30pm on 5th December 2018

Subject	Action
<p>1. <u>Present</u> Mrs H Stallard (Chair), Mr T Barton (Vice-chair), Mr R Calcraft, Mr S Clist, Mr P Doble, Miss P Lawrence, Mr N Moon, Mr L Povah, Ms J Pritchard, Mr N Punnett, Councillor F Rosamond (District Councillor), Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk) and members of the public. <u>Apologies</u> Councillor R Radford (County Councillor)</p>	
<p>2. <u>Declarations of Interest/Dispensations</u> The clerk declared that:- Agenda item 11 - Mrs Stallard and Mr Doble each have a personal interest as they are members of Longmead Management Committee. Agenda item 15 - Mr Moon has a personal interest as he is a member of the rough shoot syndicate that uses the commons. Agenda item 18 - Mrs Stallard & Mr Calcraft each have a personal interest as they are members of The Garages Committee. Agenda item 19 - Mrs Stallard & Mr Punnett each have a personal interest as they are members of the Blackdown Hills Parish Network. Agenda item 20 - Mr Punnett & Mr Moon each have a personal interest as they are trustees of the Healthy Living & Activity Centre. Agenda item 22.5 - Mrs Stallard has a personal interest as she is a member of the Blackdown Support Group.</p>	
<p>3. <u>Public Participation</u> The following were reported/raised:- 3.1 Mrs Julie Steed will be doing a sponsored litter pick in the village raising funds for Crisis, a charity for homeless people. Please contact Mrs Steed if you wish to sponsor her. She reported that there are several areas in the parish that are particularly bad for litter and wondered if the pc would consider purchasing some signs. She will consider where these signs would be best placed and report back to the pc. 3.2 Many notices are left posted around the village long after the event they advertise has taken place. Please would everyone remember to remove notices once an event has taken place. 3.3 The drain is blocked by the Baptist Church. Clerk to report. 3.4 The drains opposite Shuttleton Common need unblocking. Clerk to report. The clerk mentioned that Clayhidon employs its own lengthsman to do various works on the roads. She will enquire if he would be interested in carrying out work for Hemyock Parish Council. 3.5 There is a groove forming in the middle of the road where two pieces of tarmac meet on Station Road by Castle Park which could be dangerous to cyclists. Clerk to report.</p>	<p>Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk</p>
<p>4. <u>Minutes from Previous Meetings</u> PROPOSAL: The council minutes of the 7th November are approved. PROPOSED: Mr Povah SECONDED: Mr Moon DECISION: passed (all in favour). PROPOSAL: The chair moved that agenda items 20 & 10.1 were heard next on the agenda. PROPOSED: Mrs Stallard SECONDED: Mr Clist DECISION: passed (all in favour)</p>	
<p>20. <u>Blackdown Healthy Living & Activities Centre</u> 20.1 Representatives from the BHLAC explained that the BHAONB has been given notice on its office rental in Hemyock. It wishes to rent office space at the BHLAC. The committee at the centre asks that HPC supports this agreement in principle which will be a win/win for all parties. The rental income will ensure the future sustainability of the BHLAC and means that the AONB remains in Hemyock. PROPOSAL: that pc agrees in principle to allowing the BHLAC to sub-let to the BHAONB.</p>	

<p>PROPOSED: Ms Pritchard SECONDED: Mr Barton DECISION: passed (all agreed).</p>	
<p>10. Clerk Report 10.1 Tennis Club – the tennis club wishes to withdraw accumulated funds of £10,384 from 106 monies which have been allocated to the tennis club project. It also wishes to withdraw £18,955 from the general fund. The pc supports the withdrawal of the £10,384 but was concerned about the tennis club taking the balance of the general fund leaving nothing for other potential projects. The tennis club has its own sinking fund of approximately £30,000. PROPOSAL: The parish council supports the tennis club withdrawing £10,000 from the general 106 fund plus the £10,384 allocated to the tennis club project, with the remainder required for resurfacing the courts coming from the tennis club’s sinking fund. PROPOSED: Mr Moon SECONDED: Mr Calcraft</p> <p>An amendment to the proposal was put forward PROPOSAL: The parish council supports the tennis club withdrawing £12,636 from the general 106 fund plus the £10,384 allocated to the tennis club project, with the remainder required for resurfacing the courts coming from the tennis club’s sinking fund. PROPOSED: Mr Doble SECONDED: Mr Povah DECISION: failed (4 for, 5 against)</p> <p>The original motion was then voted on PROPOSAL: The parish council supports the tennis club withdrawing £10,000 from the general 106 fund plus the £10,384 allocated to the tennis club project, with the remainder required for resurfacing the courts coming from the tennis club’s sinking fund. PROPOSED: Mr Moon SECONDED: Mr Calcraft DECISION: passed (8 for, 1 against)</p>	
<p>5. Planning Permission granted noted for:- 5.1 18/01377/HOUSE. Whitehall View, Hemyock. Erection of an extension. 5.2 18/01608/HOUSE. 5 Parklands, Hemyock. Erection of single storey side extension. Certificate of lawful use granted noted for:- 5.3 18/01423/CLP. 40 Castle Park, Hemyock. Erection of rear extension. Permission refused noted for:- 5.4 18/01511/TPO. 2 Castle Barton, Culmstck Road, Hemyock. Application to fell 1 ash tree protected by tree preservation order.</p>	
<p>6. Matters Arising 6.1 Street lighting – no further action, the parishioner has not got time to take this forward. 6.2 Floodbridge automatic gates – Fensec has made a working model before going ahead with making the full size gates. 6.3 Pump – The clerk is liaising with conservation officers at MDDC for advice on the best way to proceed with the remedial works necessary on the pump. 6.4 Shrub by bridge opposite the castle. Mrs Stallard suggested several bushes are planted in the spring. She will put forward a recommendation nearer the time. 6.5 The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Friday 29th March 2019 at 7.30pm. 6.6 Car park working group – will meet in the new year.</p>	
<p>7. District Council Report Councillor Frank Rosamond reported:- The council was saddened by the sudden death of Councillor Jenny Roach. The planning application for Lidl in Tiverton has just been passed. Mid Devon residents' recycling rate</p>	

continues to be high at 52%. Garden waste customers are now over 10,000. MDDC is adding to its social housing stock. MDDC has increased its green credentials by installing 2 electric charging points at each of its leisure centres. Premier Inn has begun work at the multi-storey car park site in Tiverton. Car parking charges have been frozen for the second successive year. All units are fully let at Market Walk, Tiverton.

Councillor Rosamond was asked to inform waste services that many items still fall from the recycling lorries, littering the village.

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8. County Council Report

Councillor Ray Radford sent his apologies. The clerk was asked to inform Highways that the traffic calming plateau on Station Road by Longmead caused no problems and the pc wishes it to be reinstated.

Clerk

9. Finance

9.1 Income and expenditure and bank reconciliation

INCOME

1.	12.76	Interest HSBC Deposit
2.	50.00	Fine Memorials

EXPENDITURE

1.	692.35	D Evans	Wages and expenses
2.	169.50	I Pike	Village maintenance & cemetery grass
3.	2,094.00	Access Security	Fire shutter door, BHLAC
4.	15.88	South West Water	Cemetery water
5.	11.00	J Pritchard	Reimbursement of copying costs
6.	1,070.88	MDDC	Grass cutting
7.	198.00	Tom Brooke Contracting	Topping Shuttleton Common

BANK RECONCILIATION

HSBC Community a/c	18,976.41
HSBC Deposit	75,103.65
HSBC P3	0.04
HSBC Longmead	1.27
Unity Trust Bank current	100.00
Unity Trust Bank deposit	76,015.19
Unity Trust Bank GF	706.01
Unity Trust Bank P3	2,150.74
Nationwide Bond	85,491.74
United Trust Bank	75,900.00
Total	334,445.05

PROPOSAL: that the income is agreed and the above cheques/payments are paid/agreed.

PROPOSED: Miss Lawrence

SECONDED: Mr Povah

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

9.2 Finance Committee Recommendations:-

9.2.1 **PROPOSAL:** the council agrees to expenditure up to £250 for an archiving project to preserve and protect old photographs of Hemyock

PROPOSED: Mr Barton

SECONDED: Mr Moon

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

9.2.2 **PROPOSAL:** the precept for 2019/2020 is set at £80,700, an increase in Band D annual charge from £94.95 to 97.31.

PROPOSED: Mr Punnett

SECONDED: Mr Calcraft

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

10. Clerk Update

The clerk reported that:-

<p>10.1 Natural England will be conducting its 5-yearly review of the restrictions applicable to the Open Access Land (Hemyock Turbary).</p> <p>10.2 Several parishioners have contacted the clerk to obtain contact information for the various clubs that were advertised at the Happening Hemyock event.</p> <p>10.3 The pads on the defibrillator at The Garages have been changed as they were out of date.</p>	
<p>11. <u>Longmead</u> 11.1 Mr Povah is struggling to obtain quotations for the bridge abutment works at Longmead. All to email Mr Povah local builders' contact information. 11.2 Mr Doble has left a message for Ian McCulloch, chair of Longmead, about resurfacing the trim trail track.</p>	All PD
<p>12. <u>Highways</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>13. <u>Cemetery</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>14. <u>Footpaths</u> Mr Povah thanked District Councillor Rosamond for his efforts with regard to the Pithayne footpath diversion which will now be dealt with in the correct way by Devon County Council. The footpath surveys will be undertaken shortly.</p>	
<p>15. <u>Commons Management Group (CMG)</u> Thanks to those that helped plant the replacement trees at Shuttleton Common. The group are considering planting some wild flower seeds in a corner of the common.</p>	
<p>16. <u>Village Maintenance</u> The following jobs were suggested/requested:- old notices need taking down, a slab on the wall at The Garages has broken and needs replacing, road signs need cleaning.</p>	
<p>17. <u>Public Conveniences</u> 17.1 The lines have been repainted correctly. 17.2 The legal paperwork has been received and will be signed. The clerk is liaising with the newly appointed cleaner reference a start date, etc.</p>	
<p>18. <u>Garages Youth Project</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>19. <u>Blackdown Hills Parish Network</u> Following campaigning by the parish network, Somerset County Council has agreed to continue to grit Blagdon Hill, Wrangway, the ridge road and the road from Smeatharpe towards Honiton and to refill the grit bins once this winter.</p>	
<p>20. <u>Blackdown Healthy Living & Activities Centre</u> The AONB will need some storage space if they move to the BHLAC. They are interested in using space at The Parish Store. The pc is considering fitting some wire mesh cages in the store to provide secure space for its own records etc. PROPOSAL: the council agrees to expenditure up to £500 to purchase the material to build two wire mesh secure cages for the pc at The Parish Store. Mr Calcraft & Mr Pike to build the cages. Miss Lawrence to liaise with AONB over its requirements. PROPOSED: Mrs Stallard SECONDED: Miss Lawrence DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p> <p>Two events coming up at the centre –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 10th December 2-3pm Kings Hall Senior School Choir carol concert (mince pies & mulled wine) • Thursday 13th December 10.30pm-12.00 Xmas Fayre <p>Mr Povah reported that he has been unable to contact the builder with regards to commencing work on the wind barriers.</p>	PL

