

**Hemyock Parish Council**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**held in the Forbes Lounge at 7.30pm on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Subject	Action
<p><b>1. <u>Present</u></b>  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, Mr N Punnett, Councillor R Radford (County Councillor), Councillor F Rosamond (District Councillor), Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk) and members of the public.  <b><u>Apologies</u></b> Ms J Pritchard (received and approved)</p>	
<p><b>2. <u>Declarations of Interest/Dispensations</u></b>  The clerk declared that:-  Agenda item 5.2 – Mr Clist has a pecuniary and personal interest and will leave the room when this item is discussed.  Agenda item 11 - Mrs Stallard and Mr Doble 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 19 - Mrs Stallard &amp; Mr Calcraft have a personal interest as they are members of The Garages Committee.  Agenda item 20 - Mrs Stallard &amp; Mr Punnett have a personal interest as they are members of the Blackdown Hills Parish Network.  Agenda item 21 - Mr Punnett &amp; Mr Moon have a personal interest as they are trustees of the Healthy Living &amp; Activity Centre.</p>	
<p><b>3. <u>Public Participation</u></b>  The following were reported/raised:-  3.1 A kerbstone in Parklands has lifted. Clerk to report.  3.2 The pavement from the castle to the primary school needs attention. A 7-year old walking to school fell and badly injured his knees, requiring medical attention. Clerk to report.  3.3 There is a large pot hole on Culmstock Road at junction to Whitehall. Clerk to report.  3.4 Residents of Churchills/Prowses would like an update on whether or not the garages owned by MDDC are available to rent or are earmarked for development. Councillor Frank Rosamond confirmed that MDDC is undertaking an appraisal of its garage stock and has decided that the garages at Churchills/Prowses are not suitable for development. It will release the 3 void garages back into circulation subject to a survey (to be completed on 14<sup>th</sup> November).  3.5 The hedgerows from Regency House to Shuttleton Farm need trimming back as they are encroaching on to the road. Clerk to write to the landowners.  3.6 Congratulations to Hemyock parishioner Ben Moon on his selection for the England rugby team at the weekend. Clerk to send letter of congratulations.</p>	<p>Clerk  Clerk Clerk   Clerk  Clerk</p>
<p><b>4. <u>Minutes from Previous Meetings</u></b>  <b>PROPOSAL:</b> The council minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> October are approved.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Miss Lawrence  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Barton  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).</p>	
<p><b>5. <u>Planning</u></b>  Planning applications considered for:-  5.1 18/01511/TPO. Application to fell 1 ash tree. 2 Castle Barton, Culmstock Road, Hemyock  <b>PROPOSAL:</b> The parish council would like to see a tree surgeon's report with suggested options/ideas before commenting on the application.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Povah  <b>SECONDED:</b> Miss Lawrence  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).  <i>Mr Clist left the room</i>  5.2 18/01374/FULL. Erection of replacement dwelling (revised Scheme). Beamley Bungalow, Hemyock.  <b>PROPOSAL:</b> The parish council is content with the application.</p>	

<p><b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Moon  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Barton  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour). Mr Povah abstained from voting.</p> <p><i>Mr Clist returned to the room</i></p> <p>5.3 18/01608/HOUSE. Erection of single storey side extension. 5 Parklands, Hemyock  <b>PROPOSAL:</b> The parish council is content with the application.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Punnett  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Moon  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).</p> <p>Permission granted noted for:-</p> <p>5.4 18/01386/HOUSE. Erection of an extension. Hillcrest, Castle Hill, Hemyock.  5.5 18/01439/HOUSE. Erection of single storey rear extension and demolition of existing store. Cygnet Cottage, 3 Broadway, Fore Street, Hemyock.</p> <p>Certificate of lawfulness granted noted for:-</p> <p>5.6 18/01149/CLU. Certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of conservatory. Perivale, Culmstock Road, Hemyock.</p>	
<p><b>6. <u>Matters Arising</u></b></p> <p>6.1 Street lighting – nothing to report.  6.2 Floodbridge automatic gates – Mr Povah has obtained a quotation from Fensec for £1,800.  <b>PROPOSAL:</b> The parish council agrees to this quotation subject to Mr Povah agreeing the specification.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Mrs Stallard  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Clist  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).</p> <p>6.3 The three new benches have been installed at Hemyock Turbary.  6.4 Re-setting of old floodbridge stones – The contractor will commence work shortly on resetting the stones.  6.5 Pump – ICS, the company responsible for the powder coating of the pump, has suggested parts are removed from the pump and returned to them for remedial work. Clerk will clarify position with MDDC due to its listed status.  6.6 Councillor Rosamond read out a full response from MDDC with regard to the planning rules concerning change of use. Although the parish council does not agree with the position it thanks MDDC for its full response.  6.7 Shrub by bridge opposite the castle. Mrs Stallard will inspect and report back.  6.8 MDDC has confirmed its position with regard to 106 agreements – an agreement is only applicable if the planning application it refers to goes ahead.</p>	<p>LP</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>HS</p>
<p><b>7. <u>District Council Report</u></b>  Councillor Frank Rosamond reported:-  The preliminary hearings into Policy J27 Land at Junction 27 and associated policies SP2 Higher Town, Sampford Peverell and TIV16 Blundells School took place on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018. MDDC has received the Inspector’s letter on the 29<sup>th</sup> October following the preliminary hearings. Having considered matters relating to Policies J27 Land at Junction 27, SP2 Higher Town Sampford Peverell and TIV16 Blundells School, the Inspector is content that the Examination should continue to Main Hearings. The Inspector will now be working on a series of Matters and Issues with a view to making these available in early December 2018 and has asked that the Council suggest some potential dates for the main hearings. The Council will publish further details about the Main Hearings once the dates for these are known.  MDDC has been shortlisted for the Local Government Council Award for Councils Driving Economic Growth. The award is for councils that are proactively driving growth, influencing and shaping the market, intervening as necessary and working collaboratively across boundaries and structures to enable and encourage growth.  MDDC’s annual ‘State of District Debate’ will be on Brexit. A speaker is being arranged and the date will follow.</p> <p>Mr Clist commented that he was disappointed with Councillor Sue Griggs’ report on MDDC’s Electric Nights Food Markets finding it narrow-minded. He has personally enjoyed many of the evenings and believes that the event brings people into Tiverton not just on the evening of the event but on other occasions too.</p> <p>Councillor Rosamond reported that MDDC has written to DCC with regard to Pithayne Farm footpath. Mr</p>	

Povah suggested the footpath had already been diverted. He will check this and report back. LP

## 8. County Council Report

Councillor Ray Radford reported:-

DCC is scrutinising the quality of works that Skanska has done on behalf of Devon Highways. Gigaclear, the company responsible for super-fast broadband under Connecting Devon & Somerset Project, has had financial problems but has now secured new financial backers. The contents of 1,800 black sacks were analysed and it was found that 30% contained food waste that should have been recycled. Overall 40% contained recyclable material (including food waste). Mr Povah reported that other countries take away all the waste and then sort it back at the waste plant and that this may be worth DCC considering. DCC has 20 million trees in the area. 20% are ash and 93% of these are expected to die. The pc has been successful in its application to the Communities Together Fund and has been awarded £2382 towards noticeboards and signs in Hemyock & Clayhidon. Councillor Radford was asked to enquire when the raised traffic calming bump in Station Road will be reinstated. RR

## 9. Finance

9.1 Income and expenditure and bank reconciliation

### INCOME

1.	40,000.00	Precept
2.	43.80	Interest deposit
3.	0.58	Interest GF
4.	1.80	Interest P3
5.	4,342.35	VAT reclaim
6.	250.00	Stonehenge Masonry
7.	650.00	Redwood & Sons
8.	50.00	A G Real & Son
9.	200.00	AG Real & Son
10.	50.00	Fine Memorials
11.	12.34	Interest HSBC dep

### EXPENDITURE

1.	18.00	Unity Trust Bank	Bank charge
2.	52.80	Perrie Hale Nursery	Stakes and guards
3.	45.00	Open Spaces	Subscription
4.	1,171.15	D Evans	Wages and expenses
5.	136.26	HMRC PAYE	Paye
6.	48.00	R Calcraft	Grass cutting, Millhayes
7.	110.50	Hemyock Parish Hall	Room rent and market stall
8.	254.00	I Pike	Maintenance and grass cutting
9.	900.00	Ashfords	Interim fees – purchase of toilets
10.	75.00	DALC	AGM
11.	1,278.93	DCC	VAS Solar Power
12.	40.00	R Taylor	Village maintenance
13.	50.00	British Legion	Poppy appeal

1 & 2 already been to be ratified

### BANK RECONCILIATION

HSBC Community a/c	18,976.41
HSBC Deposit	75,090.89
HSBC P3	0.04
HSBC Longmead	1.27
Unity Trust Bank current	100.00
Unity Trust Bank deposit	80,430.88
Unity Trust Bank GF	706.01
Unity Trust Bank P3	2,176.66
Nationwide Bond	85,491.74
United Trust Bank	75,900.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>338,873.90</b>		
<p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> a payment of £50 is made to the British Legion for the usual wreath plus 5 individual crosses for the war graves memorials in the cemetery.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Mrs Stallard  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Barton  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).</p> <p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> that the income is agreed and the above cheques/payments are paid/agreed.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Miss Lawrence  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Barton  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour). Mr Calcraft abstained from the vote.</p> <p>9.2 Finance Committee Recommendations:-  9.2.1 the council makes a donation of £500 to the Hemyock Lights Brigade.  9.2.2 the council makes a donation of £1,000 to the Blackdown Support Group  9.2.3 the council makes a donation of £100 to the Citizens Advice Bureau. Mr Povah suggested this is increased to £250 and Mr Punnett was happy to amend his proposal.  9.2.4 the council purchases necessary cleaning items and equipment up to the value of £1,000 in readiness for ownership of and responsibility for the public conveniences.  9.2.5 the council funds a new fire shutter at the Healthy Living Centre up to a maximum cost of £4,000. The healthy living centre to attempt to obtain 3 quotations and Mr Povah to approve final works.</p> <p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> that above recommendations are accepted but with an amendment to 9.2.3 to £250 for the Citizens Advice Bureau.  <b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Punnett  <b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Barton  <b>DECISION:</b> passed (all in favour).</p>			
<p><b>10. <u>Clerk Update</u></b>  The clerk reported that:-</p> <p>10.1 Annual Parish Meeting – the council provisionally agreed a date for next year’s Annual Parish Meeting of either 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> April. Clerk to confirm next month.</p> <p>10.2 A parishioner has contacted the clerk to enquire as to the rules and regulations of the car park now it is an asset of the parish council. It was agreed that a working group consisting of Mr Moon, Mr Calcraft &amp; Mr Clist will review the situation and come up with draft terms for the full council to consider.</p> <p>10.3 Election 2019 – The parish council will meet on 1<sup>st</sup> May to conduct its usual business. The parish council will hold an informal hand-over meeting to new councillors on 8<sup>th</sup> May. The annual meeting of the new council will be 15<sup>th</sup> May.</p>			Clerk  NM/SC/ RC
<p><b>11. <u>Longmead</u></b></p> <p>11.1 The clerk and Mr Povah met with Mr Brooke, Brookridge Timber, to discuss the refurbishment of the bridge. Mr Brooke has kindly offered to remove the bridge and refurbish it free of charge. Whilst the bridge is under repair (approximately 4 weeks) Mr Povah would like cement/brick abutments built for the newly refurbished bridge to sit on. Mr Povah is waiting for quotations for the construction of the abutments.</p> <p>11.2 Mr Doble will speak with Ian McCulloch, chair of Longmead, about resurfacing the trim trail track. Miss Lawrence will email details of the hoggin path that may be used to re-surface the trim trail to the clerk.</p>			LP  PD/PL
<p><b>12. <u>Highways</u></b></p> <p>12.1 Ruggs Moor – Phil Morgan (Devon Highways) will inspect the other side of the road.</p> <p>12.2 Station Road pavements - following a site meeting with the clerk, Highways, and Mr Smith, a scheme to install a pavement has been agreed in principle subject to approval from Highways.</p>			
<p><b>13. <u>Cemetery</u></b></p> <p>13.1 The clerk has received several quotations to finalise the last two unsafe memorials in the cemetery. The options are:- attempt to contact the owners of the memorials and ask that they make them safe or, alternatively, the parish council could either lay the memorials flat or choose to pay to make them</p>			

<p>safe. It was agreed that the pc does not wish to lay the memorials flat and will proceed with the cheaper quotation to make the two memorials safe.</p> <p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> that pc instructs Fine Memorials to mend and make safe the two old memorials in the cemetery at a cost of £840.00.</p> <p><b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Barton</p> <p><b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Doble</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> passed (7 for, 2 against).</p> <p>13.2 The clerk has obtained two quotations to remove the dead copper beech tree.</p> <p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> that pc instructs Ashculme Tree Surgeons to remove the tree at a cost of £680.00</p> <p><b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Barton</p> <p><b>SECONDED:</b> Mr Doble</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> passed (all agreed). Clerk to ask Mrs Pike for permission to access her land to remove tree.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>14. <u>Footpaths</u></b> Footpath at Higher Lease Farm is in order.</p>	
<p><b>15. <u>Commons Management Group (CMG)</u></b> A tree planting day will be on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30am. at Shuttleton Common</p>	
<p><b>16. <u>Village Maintenance</u></b> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>17. <u>Public Conveniences</u></b> 17.1 Mrs K Amor has been awarded the cleaning contract and will start on 1<sup>st</sup> December. Mr Povah is meeting with MDDC on 8<sup>th</sup> November to resolve the issue with the yellow lines outside the Parish Hall.</p>	LP
<p><b>18. <u>Garages Youth Project</u></b> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>19. <u>Blackdown Hills Parish Network</u></b> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>20. <u>Blackdown Healthy Living &amp; Activities Centre</u></b> 20.1 Mr Povah has obtained several quotations for the installation of the wind barriers under the Healthy Living Centre.</p> <p><b>PROPOSAL:</b> that pc accepts the quotation from Paul Churchills at a cost of £1459.68 plus VAT.</p> <p><b>PROPOSED:</b> Mr Povah</p> <p><b>SECONDED:</b> Miss Lawrence</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> passed (all agreed).</p>	
<p><b>21. <u>Happening Hemyock</u></b> This event was well attended. Many thanks to Gillian Hawkes who provided refreshments and thanks also to those that made donations. After deducting expenses Gillian donated the balance of £85 to the British Legion Poppy Appeal. Clerk to thank Gillian. Happening Hemyock Event showed that there are over 60 clubs and organisations in the village. Mrs Stallard may send an article to the press.</p>	Clerk HS
<p><b>22. <u>Asset Management</u></b> Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>23. <u>Correspondence</u></b> 23.1 Email from Summerfield asking to meet with the council again. The pc agreed that it has met with Summerfield during an open meeting of the parish once before and does not believe it necessary to meet again.</p> <p>23.2 Mrs Stallard has received a request asking for permission from the new owner of Your Plaice or Mine fish and chip van to continue to park at Longmead once a week. Mrs Stallard to confirm the pc is happy for the arrangement to continue as long as no mess is left at Longmead and no oil is leaked on to the car park or down drains.</p>	Clerk HS
<p><b>24. <u>Items raised by Chairman</u></b> The chair thanked all those that attended the Hemyock Film. Jenny Parson may make DVDs to sell (hopefully before Christmas).</p>	

<p><b>25. <u>Items raised by Councillors</u></b>                  25.1 Hemyock Lights Brigade has many volunteers for this year’s parade.                  25.2 Miss Lawrence will email details about a book about Churchills Farm                  25.3 Blackdown Hills AONB is reviewing its Management Plan.                  25.4 The Glover Review of National Parks and AONBs is under consultation. Please send in your comments.                  25.5 Remembrance Sunday - all available councillors to meet 9.55am in Parish Hall car park.                  25.6 Christmas Decorations – clerk to mention in PR. Suggestions for judges included:- MDDC’s Steve Walford, Kathryn Tebbey.                  25.7 Newsletter – January will feature election 2019 and the commons.                  25.8 Thanks to the team who put together the planning response to MDDC.</p>	<p>PL</p>
<p><b>26. <u>Public Participation</u></b>                  The following were reported/raised:-                  26.1 When 5G is available the parish will not need fibre broadband.</p>	
<p><b>27. <u>PR</u></b>                  • Christmas decorations competition</p>	
<p><b>28. <u>Date of next Meeting</u> 7.30pm Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018, Forbes Lounge, Parish Hall.</b></p>	

Meeting closed at 10.50pm

Signed ..... Dated .....