

Hemyock Parish Council
Monthly Meeting
held at Healthy Living & Activities Centre, Hemyock at 7.30pm on 6th April 2022

Subject	Action
<p>1. <u>Present</u> Mr P Doble (Chair), Mr T Barton, Mr R Calcraft, Mr S Clist, Mrs P Dayus-Jones, Miss P Lawrence, Mr N Moon, Mr L Povah, Mr S Ritchie, Mr A Russell, Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk) and members of the public. <u>Apologies</u> Councillor R Radford</p>	
<p>2. <u>Declarations of Interest/Dispensations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda item 7 – Planning – Mr Clist is a member of the planning committee of Mid Devon District Council and chooses not to participate in any planning application consultation. • Agenda item 5 - Mrs Dayus-Jones & Mr Russell each has a personal interest as they are members of Longmead Management Committee. • Agenda item 8.2.3 - Mr Calcraft has a personal interest as he is a member of The Garages Committee. • Agenda item 11 - Mr Moon & Mr Doble each has a personal interest as they are trustees of the Healthy Living & Activity Centre. • Agenda item 11 – Mrs Dayus-Jones has a personal interest as she is an employee of the Healthy Living & Activity Centre. • Agenda item 20 - Mr Moon has a personal interest as he is a member of the rough shoot syndicate. • Agenda item 22 - Mr Calcraft has a personal interest as he is a member of The Garages Committee. 	
<p>3. <u>Public Participation</u> 3.1 Tree roots are pushing up the pavement at the entrance to Castle Park and are a trip hazard. Clerk to report.</p>	Clerk
<p>4. <u>Longmead</u> Sam Iddon, Hemyock Football Club, joined the meeting via Zoom. Sam asked that the pc enters into is eligible for a grant from the Football Foundation. The club intends to purchase a Greentek Aeroquick machine to assist in pitch maintenance. PROPOSAL: The council agrees to sign the agreement. PROPOSED: Mr Calcraft SECONDED: Mr Barton DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p> <p>Sam asked that the pc contributes £1,250 towards the grant application. PROPOSAL: The council agrees to contribute £1,250 towards the grant application. PROPOSED: Mr Moon SECONDED: Mr Clist DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p> <p>CCTV Sam explained that the cameras on the lamp column require a permanent power supply and the current supply is not permanent. To overcome this the pc either needs to run a new supply from the pavilion into the column (trench and backfill) or run a low voltage cable from the apex of the gable at the end of the pavilion on an upward trajectory to the cameras at the top of the lamp column. It is not believed that this will impact the skatepark. PROPOSAL: The council agrees that the electrics for the CCTV should be overhead. PROPOSED: Mr Barton SECONDED: Mr Moon DECISION: passed (9 in favour). Mr Ritchie is against this proposal as he was not in favour of CCTV.</p>	

5. Minutes from Previous Meeting

PROPOSAL: The council minutes of the 2nd March are approved.

PROPOSED: Mr Moon

SECONDED: Mr Clist

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

6. Planning

The following applications were considered:-

6.1 22/00438/HOUSE. Retention of a replacement outbuilding for use as a garage and garden store with studio space above. Northcote, Hemyock.

PROPOSAL: the council is not content with the application. The building has been constructed 5 metres from where it should have been built and the possible increase in the floor levels has meant that the building now overlooks the neighbouring property to a greater degree.

PROPOSED: Mr Barton

SECONDED: Mr Ritchie

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

6.2 22/00444/FULL. Conversion of redundant workshop building to dwelling. Studleys, Hemyock.

PROPOSAL: the council is not content with the application and makes the following comments:- There is a small stream on the southern boundary of the site with Myrtle Cottage yet the application states it is not within 20m of a water course. There is no information about the package treatment plant. Does the application meet the criteria as set out in DM9 and in particular - will this development lead to an enhancement of the immediate setting? Is the building redundant? Is it substantial? Does it require substantial alteration? what about light pollution? Hemyock PC supports the development of traditional stone-built farm buildings that are not suitable for modern agricultural use. However, the application is for the speculative development of a garage/workshop constructed in timber which has weathered and blended into the landscape. Approval of this application would have massive implications for the countryside of Mid Devon in general and the Blackdown Hills AONB in particular

PROPOSED: Miss Lawrence

SECONDED: Mrs Dayus-Jones

DECISION: passed (all in favour)

Application withdrawn noted for:-

6.3 21/02522/HOUSE. Construction of a front dormer loft conversion to provide additional accommodation. 4 Longmead, Hemyock.

Planning permission granted noted for:-

6.4 22/00268/HOUSE. 14 Lower Greenfield, Hemyock. Erection of single-storey rear extension.

7. Finance

7.1 Income and expenditure

INCOME

No	Amount	From
1	146.67	Waddeton Park (contribution towards mole invoice)
2	60.00	P3 grant
3	150.00	Gun Club rent
4	2.69	Interest
5	30.99	Interest
6	20.00	Exe Valley Pizza, donation
7	.39	Interest, GF
8	.81	Interest, P3
9	200.00	AG Real
10	61.75	WPD, Wayleave

EXPENDITURE

No	Amount	Payee	Reason
1.	8.00	HSBC	Bank charges
2.	18.00	Unity Trust	Bank charges
3.	146.25	K Amor	Toilet cleaning
4.	318.00	I Pike	Village maintenance
5.	1,060.08	D Evans	Wages and expenses
6.	63.63	HMRC	PAYE
7.	263.09	Glasdon	Village consumables (dog bags)
8.	60.00	The Garages	Room hire (Skatepark)
9.	250.00	BHPN	Subscriptions
10	96.00	J Stevens	Topping Turbary
11	46.05	Npower	Electricity, toilets
12	636.23	MDDC	Rates, car park
13	8.00	Hemyock Parish Hall	Room hire
14	18.00	DALC	Training
15	95.00	ICCM	Subscription
16	509.86	DALC	Subscription
17	16.00	BHLAC	Room hire
18	200.00	R Beaver	Longmead, maintenance
19	192.00	R Tomlinson	Expenses, Skate jam

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

PROPOSED: Mr Clist

SECONDED: Miss Lawrence

DECISION: passed (all in favour).

8. Clerk Update

- 8.1 The clerk will complete the annual return and arrange the internal audit.
- 8.2 The toilet cleaning tender expires at the end of this calendar year.
- 8.3 NALC pay scales increase backdated to April 2021 noted.
- 8.4 The clerk confirmed that changes to 106 Open Space money means that only 6 or more houses now trigger a contribution towards open space.
- 8.5 Legal paperwork has been prepared for the transfer of land at the front of 29 Station Road for a pavement in exchange for vehicle access at the rear.
 PROPOSAL: that the pc signs the legal documents.
 PROPOSED: Mr Barton
 SECONDED: Miss Lawrence
 DECISION: passed (all in favour).
- 8.6 Connecting The Culm Catchment Officer, Lucy Jefferson, will attend the next council meeting and give a presentation.
- 8.7 '20 is plenty' signs. The clerk asked for clarification with regard to what size signs are required. The council confirmed that the smaller signs are preferred.

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9. Cemetery

Nothing to report.

10. Blackdown Healthy Living & Activities Centre

- 10.1 Crash Barrier – Mr Povah has obtained several quotations for the agreed design. Mr Ritchie raised queries with regard to whether all of the quotations had been calculated using the same specification. Mr Povah asked that the pc consider another design option and will come back to the council with further quotations for consideration.
- 10.2 Mrs Dayus-Jones will liaise with Mr Pike with regard to installing a bench in the garden of the centre.

PDJ

11. Correspondence

- 11.1 Open Spaces Spring edition noted.
- 11.2 NALC smaller councils letter noted.
- 11.3 Acorns Club request to store archive material in parish store.

11.4 11.5	<p>PROPOSAL: that the pc allows the Acorn Club to store its archive material at the parish store.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Miss Lawrence</p> <p>SECONDED: Mr Barton</p> <p>DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p> <p>Primary School Governor. Mr Doble volunteered to be a governor.</p> <p>Police liaison – Mr Clist offered to be the parish council/police liaison representative.</p>	
12. 12.1 12.2	<p><u>The Queen's Platinum Jubilee</u></p> <p>The working group has asked that the pc underwrite an additional £1,000 towards the cost of events.</p> <p>PROPOSAL: the pc agrees to underwrite an additional £1,000, if necessary, towards the cost of events.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Mr Barton</p> <p>SECONDED: Mr Russell</p> <p>DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p> <p>There will be an additional insurance premium of £280 to insure the two skate jams the pc intends to host in May and at the jubilee event.</p> <p>PROPOSAL: the pc agrees to pay the additional premium.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Miss Lawrence</p> <p>SECONDED: Mrs Dayus-Jones</p> <p>DECISION: passed (all in favour).</p>	
13.	<p><u>Community Land</u></p> <p>The clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Cavanna to discuss several issues:- road closure, drainage/surveyor's report, tree roots, community land.</p> <p>At the Annual Parish Meeting on 5th May @ 7.30pm the community land will be discussed. Mrs Dayus-Jones will publicise the meeting.</p>	Clerk PDJ
14.	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
15.	<p><u>County Council Report</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
16.	<p><u>District Council Report</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
17.	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>Mr Clist is liaising with Dan Wood with regard to possible traffic calming/pinch point on Culmstock Road.</p>	SC
18.	<p><u>Footpaths</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
19.	<p><u>Commons Management Group</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
20.	<p><u>Village Maintenance</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
21.	<p><u>The Garages</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
22.	<p><u>Blackdown Hills Parish Network</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
23.	<p><u>Asset Management</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
24.	<p><u>Items raised by chairman</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
25.	<p><u>Items raised by councillors</u></p>	

25.1	Toilets – these are being heavily used by the contractors working on the Old School Court site. The clerk was instructed to ask for a donation from the contractors.	Clerk
25.2	Noticeboards – The noticeboards are being made by the community shed group and it is hoped they will be erected shortly.	
25.3	Mr Ritchie asked if he could be reimbursed for some expenses incurred whilst speaking on the phone to a parishioner who was abroad at the time of the call. The clerk explained that she was unable to reimburse costs incurred by a councillor. The only way to be reimbursed is if the council elects to receive a basic parish allowance. There is a procedure to follow and historically this is not something the parish council has wanted to do.	
26.	<u>Public Participation</u>	
26.1	The pc was asked for ideas on how to recruit new volunteers to become members of various committees in the parish.	
26.2	The grass at BHLAC still has mole activity. Clerk to report back to mole catcher.	Clerk
27.	<u>PR</u>	
	Nothing to report.	
28.	<u>Date of next Meeting</u>	
	Annual meeting of the council on Wednesday 4th May at 7.30pm, Blackdown Healthy Living & Activities Centre, Hemyock.	

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