

**Minutes of East Down Parish Council Meeting
at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 15th January 2018 at East Down Village Hall**

Attendance: Cllrs Mr R. Crossman (Chair), Mrs E. Kempf, Mr M. King, Mr R. Tarr and Mrs M. Done (Clerk).

Owing to the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Rod Crossman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Mr M. Wright, Cllr Mr K. Phillips, District Cllr Mr J. Tucker, County Cllr Ms A. Davis.
2. **Declarations of Interest/Dispensations:** none.
3. **Public Participation:** none.

Part 'A'

4. County/District Councillors' Reports

District Cllr J. Tucker's report covered:

- LGUi daily newsletters
- December Neighbourhood Watch newsletter.

County Councillor A. Davis's report had been received and emailed out covering:

- An outline business case for improvements to the North Devon Link Road
- Devon County Council Target Budget
- A39 Zig Zag road closure from 2nd January to 29th March 2018
- Emergency out of hours numbers
Social Services 0345 600 0388 or 0845 600 0388
Highways 01392 383329
Animal Welfare, Petrol and Explosives 01392 499499

5. **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 11th December 2017.** Resolved to accept and minutes signed.

6. Matters arising.

The Clerk reported:

- Lloyds Bank - Clerk now able to view the accounts online, Thanks extended to Cllr Tarr for his help with Lloyds Bank.
- Projector and dongle – confirmation of funds from District Cllr Tucker (£150) and County Cllr A. Davis (£100) nothing yet from Fullabrook CIC.

7. Planning Decision by Planning Inspectorate: (for information only)

Planning Application 64006: Erection of one storage shed at Half Hidden Cottage, East Down. Approved by ND District Planning Department 19th December 2017.

8. Financial Statement of accounts for the year to date and payments.

Bank balances on 8th January 2018

Parish Council Account: £5970.86. Cheque presented 000334 M Done 3rd quarter salary (£300).

Ring-fenced money: £600 computer equipment; £323.32 for High visibility clothing; £180.35 for defibrillator.

Parish Paths Account: £1156.83.

9. Precept 2018-2019 Update

The Clerk had received the Council Tax base figures indicating Band D equivalent slightly lower (£21.42 down to £20.80). Following discussion, it was resolved to keep the precept to £2216 as agreed at the December meeting. The Clerk would return the relevant completed forms to the District Council.

10. Chairman's items

Tap Fund – drains/gullies needing work:

- by Shortacombe where there is heavy flooding
- just above Churchill Farm
- drain by Mowstage is filled with leaves and the water is running straight across the drain
- Dinscombe up high on the banks either side two large pipes pouring water onto the road.

The Clerk would email Martin Stoddard to advise that work he had authorised has not yet been done.

Fly tipping – Report had been made to Brynsworthy of fly tipping on Dudmoor Lane. This had now been removed by the department.

Signs for Churchill. Unsuitable for heavy vehicles signs requested for Churchill while A39 Zig Zag is closed have not yet arrived and heavy vehicles are regularly using the Churchill Lane. One huge pothole has already been spotted.

Police Report. The Clerk had received a call from the PCSO advising in the year January 2017 to January 2018 two crimes had been reported.

Condolence card. The Clerk had sent a card on behalf of the Parish Council to Ann Norton and family.

11. Correspondence.

Emails:

Precept Paperwork

Police monthly newsletter

Grants information

DALC Devon Communities together

Rural Services Network

Public Sector Executive

Rural Opportunities bulletin

Rural Vulnerability Service

Rural Services Network

NDC weekly information sheets, planning applications lodged, determined and enforcement cases closed

12. Date of next meeting. Monday 19th February 2018 at 7.30 p.m.