

East Down Parish Council

Meeting at East Down Village Hall on Monday 28th February 2022 at 7.30 pm

Attendance: Cllrs Mr M. Wright (Chair), R Crocker, Mr R. Crossman, Mrs D Fry, Mrs J Kift, Mr. K. Phillips, Mr R. Tarr.

Also in attendance County Councillor A Davis and District Councillor J Tucker

AGENDA

Apologies for absence from meeting- Cllr Mark King

1. **Declaration of interest/Dispensations** - None
2. **Public participation-** No members of public present

Part 'A'

3. **County/District Councillors' Reports** – Updates from Cllr Tucker included-
 - Council tax, the bills this year will include a leaflet advising residents in properties band D and below about the rebate.
 - Still waiting to hear from central government about any changes to planning legislation.
 - Changes next year regarding second home owners and the payment of Council tax on properties which are let out where the owners have registered the property as a business.
 - Planning enforcement, Cllr Tucker advised that there are still over 200 outstanding cases but encouraged members to report alleged breaches of planning to him or on the website.

County Councillors report – Cllr Davis confirmed the works at Lynton Cross are now more or less complete; members congratulated DCC on the scheme.

North Devon Link Road- project on time and in budget.

4. **Minutes of the previous meeting** approved P;Cllr Tarr S:Cllr Crossman
5. **Matters arising from the minutes**
 - Progress report on gully/drains clearing - Chris Wallis busy with storm damage so the work has been delayed. Flooding at Ford Farm was raised as a concern, Cllr Davis reported on the DCC website Ref W221493299
 - Camera survey of drain to investigate cause of grey water seepage - Cllr Crossman will on the advice of Cllr Tucker contact NDC for an update on progress, Cllr Crossman to advise Cllr Tucker of outcome of that contact. Cllr Tucker will take up the issue if not resolved.
 - Erection of dog waste bin ... cost of bags; Cllr Tarr will order 40 bags from Amazon cost approved £7.99 P;Cllr Wright, S;Cllr Tarr
6. **Memorial tree for Queens Jubilee (update)** Cllr Wright passed round an indicative photograph of the tree. Cllr Wright will pick it up, to be planted on Friday by St Johns Garden Centre Landscaping Services. Thanks was given to County Cllr Davis for funding the tree from her locality budget.
7. **Planning Applications. _Applications 74829/74825** Northcote Manor- resolved to respond No Comment. P;Cllr Wright, S;Cllr Crossman

Planning application neighbouring parish Application 74587 Stowford Farm Meadows (250 chalets) resolved to respond to the planning authority- EDPC are extremely concerned by the generation of extra vehicle movements associated with such a large increase in accommodation.

8. Financial statement of accounts for the year and to agree payments

- **Bank balances February 2021**
 - Parish Council Account:** to be available at the meeting
 - Parish Paths Account:** to be available at the meeting
- **Clerks salary**
- **Commemorative tree purchase and planting**
- **Hi viz clothing purchase**
- **Web site. Site protection software (see chairman's items)**

All invoices approved for payment P;Cllr Tarr S;Cllr Crossman

9. Chairman's items

- Arlington Parish Council merger resolved that at this time EDPC will not be pursuing further and Arlington PC to be advised.
- Parish Council Website – purchase of site protection software – EDDC to adopt the security standard for websites, it was agreed to purchase the web protection software P;Cllr Tarr S;Cllr Wright

10. Correspondence (to be emailed closer to the meeting) Noted

11. Date for next meeting March 21st 2022

Part 'B' (Confidential Restricted information) None