

CREDITON HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Crediton Hamlets Parish Council meeting held on the 7th of February 2022 at Yeoford Community Hall

Present: Cllr Beasley, Cllr Brimacombe, Cllr Cole, Cllr Mortimer (Chair), Cllr Parker, Cllr Price, Cllr Stevens, Cllr Vigers, Cllr Yarnold, Cllr Coren (MDDC) and Cllr Letch (DCC)

In Attendance: the clerk, 7 members of the public and 1 member of the press

1. To receive and accept apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Penny (MDDC).

2. To receive Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received.

3. Public Discussion

3 members of the public spoke about MDDC's Parish Boundary Review (item 7). There was lengthy discussion about whether the parish boundaries should be changed in a way that some members of the public present felt would gain better representation for people who live in Yeoford District. An email from a parishioner on item 7 was read out. One member of the public spoke about flooding on local roads and the lack of road, ditch and gulley maintenance by DCC Highways, which means that local residents are obliged to carry out clearance to keep the roads open.

4. Crediton Hamlets Council Meeting Minutes 4th January 2022

It was **resolved** to approve and sign the minutes as a correct record.

5. To receive a report from Cllr Letch (DCC): for information only

Cllr Letch reported that he is working to support the opening of the Okehampton line at Yeoford and needs more information. He has therefore prepared a consultation leaflet which will be distributed in and possibly around Yeoford to find out more about how often residents would use additional trains stopping at Yeoford.

6. To receive a report from Cllr Coren (MDDC): for information only

Cllr Coren gave an update on the works to repair the bridge at Neopardy, which are progressing very slowly. Cllrs expressed their concerns at the standard of the temporary repair which renders the bridge unsafe.

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7. MDDC Parish Review 2021/22: to consider a response to the first stage of consultation

After discussion it was **resolved** to retain the parish boundary as it is now (6 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions) and therefore not to request any changes. It was noted that MDDC may consult the Parish Council again at a later stage if any changes are proposed by others.

8. Mid Devon District Council: to consider whether to comment further on the following planning appeal

Reference: 21//00782/FULL
 Appeal Ref: APP/Y1138/W/21/3281110
 Proposal: Siting of a temporary rural worker's dwelling (mobile home)
 Appellant: Mr A Polhill

After discussion it was **resolved** not to comment further as the Council's previous comments will be considered by the Planning Inspector at the appeal.

9. Mid Devon District Council Planning Applications: the following applications upon which MDDC had asked the Council to comment were considered

Reference: 22/00063/MARM
 Proposal: Reserved matters for the erection of 257 dwellings and up to 5 Gypsy and Traveller pitches; associated works in connection with 8.6 ha of land to facilitate future Crediton Rugby Club and up to 1.1 ha of land future primary school; details of landscaping, public open space and other associated infrastructure and engineering operations and access and highway work following outline approval 17/00348MOUT
 Location: Land at NGR 284185 101165 (Creedy Bridge) Crediton
 Applicant: Bellway Homes Ltd

It was **resolved** not to comment on this application which is outside the parish.

Reference: 22/00070/FULL
 Proposal: Erection of 4 holiday pods, 1 holiday cabin, storage shed, solar panels, wetland area, parking and new vehicular access
 Location: Land at NGR 280104 96846 Blackdown Equestrian Centre Posbury
 Applicant: A & E Holsgrove and Harris

Following MDDC Local Plan Policy DM22 (Tourism and Leisure Development) it was **resolved** to support this application. Councillors noted concerns expressed about noise from dogs with regard to development of a neighbouring property and suggested that these concerns be taken into account in respect of this application.

10. Mid Devon District Council Planning Decisions: it was noted that Mid Devon District Council has granted permission for the following developments with conditions as filed

Reference: 21/02361/HOUSE
 Proposal: Conversion of store to living accommodation and demolition of log store and part of garage

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Location: Orchard View Gunstone
 Applicant: Mr R Dunn

Reference: 21/00884/FULL
 Proposal: Siting of 3 lodges to be used as tourist accommodation, erection of a reception building and creation of associated facilities
 Location: Land at NGR 274521 96419 (South West of Binneford Woods) Hittisleigh
 Applicant: Mr G Bulley

- 11. Mid Devon District Council Planning Decision:** it was noted that Mid Devon District Council has advised that prior approval is not required for the following development

Reference: 21/02427/PNAG
 Proposal: Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural storage shed
 Location: Land at NGR 281541 97492 road from Blackdown Cross to Upper Uton Steep
 Applicant: Mr S Rowden

- 12. 20's Plenty for Devon:** to consider whether to become involved in the "20's Plenty for Devon" campaign and agree associated actions

After discussion it was **resolved** to support the 20's Plenty for Devon Campaign and call on Devon County Council to implement 20 mph in Yeoford and other settlements in the parish. **Clerk** also to write to Mel Stride MP and Grant Shapps MP to request 20mph speed limits on streets throughout Devon where people live, work, shop, play or learn, with 30mph as the exception to those roads, where full consideration of the needs of vulnerable road users allows a higher limit.

- 13. Blocked footpath from Venny Tedburn to Posbury:** to receive an update

Cllr Vigers reported that the footpath remains blocked and despite contact from the PC and a local resident there has been no action from DCC Footpaths. The initial complainant will be contacting DCC Footpaths again.

- 14. Devon CPRE:** to consider whether to become a member of Devon CPRE

It was **resolved** not to join Devon CPRE as membership was not considered appropriate for the Parish Council

- 15. Airband – Connecting Devon & Somerset Fibre to Premises:** to consider an email received regarding a fibre broadband service coming to the Parish

Councillors did not report contacts from residents with broadband issues. Openreach has almost finished installing fibre cable at the eastern end of the Parish and residents are using the voucher scheme to connect to houses. **Clerk** to put information about Airband on the PC website and in her report to the March Yeoford Village Voice.

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16. Additional defibrillators in the Parish: to receive an update

Cllr Parker reported that a potential site has been identified in Hookway but permission from the Downes Estate will be needed. Cllr Vigers reported that a potential site has been identified in Venny Tedburn. **Clerk** to provide information about potential costs involved.

17. Audit 2021/22: to appoint an auditor for the upcoming Audit

It was **resolved** to appoint Mrs Penny Clapham.

18. Annual Parish Meeting: to agree a date

It was **resolved** to hold the Annual Parish Meeting at Yeoford Community Hall on Monday 4th April, commencing at 7.15 pm. To be followed by Parish Council meeting.

19. Accounts 2021/22: to approve the following payments

Clerk salary (January)	£320.88
HMRC	£2.20
Touchwood Signs (20 is Plenty signs) (refund to clerk)	£170.40
Boniface Centre (Invoice 5160)	£20

20. To receive a report from the Chairman: for information only

None

21. To receive reports from Councillors: for information only

None

22. Correspondence/Clerk's Report: for information only

None

23. Dates of Next Meetings: 7th March (Boniface Centre), 4th April Annual Parish Meeting followed by Council meeting (Yeoford Community Hall), 3rd May (Tuesday due to bank holiday – Boniface Centre), 6th June (Yeoford Community Hall), 4th July (Boniface Centre), 5th September (Yeoford Community Hall), 3rd October (Boniface Centre), 7th November (Yeoford Community Hall), 5th December (Boniface Centre)

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