

DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY AUGUST 2ND 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

Present: Cllr Burnage, (Vice Chair) Cllrs Giles, Byrne , Grigg , Jury, Rolls ,Boyes , Partridge,
the Clerk and 17 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr J Lock (on holiday)

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr. Burnage took the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting held on July 5th 2010, having been circulated, were signed by the chairman as being a true and correct record.

Proposed: Cllr Rolls

Seconded: Cllr Jury

All in favour

38(10/11) Matters Arising from the Minutes

Cllr Burnage reported that Dolton Vision Group have contacted GM Planning (Maria Bailey & Gill Makin), who wish to arrange a meeting with the members of the Vision Group to see if they can be of assistance to them.

39(10/11) Correspondence

Correspondent	Subject	Action
D&D Horticultural Society	Thank you for grant for tables and complimentary copy of Flower Show Schedule.	Reading File
NALC	Legal Briefing on subject of proposed freezing of council taxes	Reading file
DALC	Power of Well Being Training in Brixham 18 th August	Reading File
TDC	Leaflet introducing Regen SWs Communities for Renewables initiative	Reading file
Safer North Devon	Newsletter	Reading file
TDC- Ruth Staddon	Will attend PC's 4 th October meeting to speak on Emergency Planning as requested	Noted
Mr Golding of Orchard Gate	Damaged sign at Rectory/Barfield Rd asking if Orchard Gate can be added to any replacement sign which may be erected	Emailed and sent chase up letter to TDC Road Names Dept.
ND Biosphere Service	Biosphere Action Week – 27 September-3 rd October	Reading file
NALC	Consultation document on ability to raise precept	Reading file

40(10/11) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

As defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors Cllr. Byrne declared a prejudicial interest and Cllr Jury declared a personal interest in respect of the Planning Application 1/0636/20/OUTM Fishleigh Park, Aller Road.

PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman closed the meeting to invite members of the Public to speak.

Name	Subject	Response
Mr M Lock	Fishleigh Park – access in wrong place and dangerous on corner in Stafford Way – access should be widened in Aller Road and from there	Noted
Mr B Glover	Fishleigh Park – proposed access dangerous and unsuitable.	Noted
Mr D O,Brien	Fishleigh Park –were allotments included on plan. Parish Council should set a remit for Vision Group on use of GM Planning Services.	Yes. Noted
Mrs C Egan	Fishleigh Park – unhappy about application in general, questioned ownership of part access	Noted
Mrs A Coombs	Fishleigh Park – access wrong, will cause extra traffic in Barfield Rd	Noted

41(10/11) Finance

a) Accounts to pay

Supplier	Description	VAT	Total	Chq.No
Mrs J Sidey	Clerk wages 6Jul-2 Aug (inc) £266.88 £10 home office, Postage Stamps £8.52		285.40	467
Cllr Lock (reimbursement)	Ms Lee Speller, Honeycomb Cottage- Water for Memorial Garden		40.00	468
SWW	Quarterly charge for water & sewage		21.67	469
TDC	3 Dog Bins	44.63	299.63	470
Audit Commission	Audit fee	23.63	158.63	471
Village Hall	Hire – 5 th July		8.00	472

Proposed: Cllr Grigg Seconded: Cllr Boyes that the accounts be paid. All Agreed

Cheque Signatures: Cllr Partridge and Cllr Giles

b. Income – None

c. Any other financial matters: The Clerk reported a Current Acc. Balance of £10,268.13 less above chqs. The Annual Return of Accounts had been signed off by the Audit Commission with no comments or queries raised. The Return is now displayed on the Village Noticeboard for 6 weeks in accordance with regulations. The Clerk has applied for refund of VAT paid on invoices up to end of June – (£567.76) Cllr Burnage proposed, seconded by Cllr Boyes that the Clerk should write letters of thanks to Ms Speller for supplying water to the Memorial Garden and Mr Farrington, the Internal Auditor for his assistance.

42(10/11) Planning

a. Applications considered: 1/0636/2010/OUTM Fishleigh Park, Aller Rd – 6 affordable and 4 open market houses. This application was discussed at some length and Councillors were concerned that the location of the access road to the site is unsuitable being on a bend at the bottom of a hill; traffic speed on Stafford Way and volume of traffic were also concerns and it is felt that the proposed road is not wide enough for large service vehicles like the dustcart or a fire engine to gain easy access. Cllrs Partridge and Giles pointed out that an un-adopted road to a site containing affordable homes could lead to maintenance costs being passed on to the occupants of those homes while Cllr Burnage thought the development too far out

and would not discourage people from driving to the village shop, he also thought that an updated Housing Needs Survey would establish if a need for the development exists – has there been any public consultation under DVT2? Regarding ownership he wondered if an appropriate B Notice had been served. Cllr. Grigg had no objection to the development itself but was concerned about the location of the access to the site. Cllr Rolls thought that the access road was in the wrong location but had no other objections.

The Chairman temporarily closed the meeting to hear from DVG members. On reconvening the meeting Cllr Burnage spoke, as a member of the group about their work to date including currently making contact with all landowners to discuss how their land could be included in a Community-led plan for any future development projects.

The Clerk was asked to forward Comments on the Fishleigh Park planning application, to be drafted by Cllr Burnage, to TDC after the comments had been circulated and approved by the other Councillors.

Approved comments were:

“The access to the site is on a bend at the bottom of a steep hill which is the main route into the Stafford Way housing estate and the Parish Council have a number of concerns:-

- 1) The Parish Council received a number of expressions of concern from members of the public over the location, width and nature of the access onto Stafford Way. These concerns over traffic speed and volume were shared by Councillors.*
- 2)The non-adoption of the access could lead to future problems with the cost of maintenance being passed on to the occupants of the affordable houses.*
- 3) The Council would like to clarify the ownership of the land across which the access is made and whether appropriate notices would be served. There appears to be some uncertainty in that regard.*
- 4) Given the location of the site, the drive to discourage car use and that the land is still used in agriculture, there is some uncertainty as to how the proposal can be supported by Policy DVT2 exclusively given that TDC were adamant that a similar proposal in the Parish had to be a hybrid of TDC’s Local Plan DVT2 and HSC6 policies.”*

- b. Permissions granted – 1/0612/2010/AGR Ham Farm wooden storage shed – permitted development
- c. Refusals advised – 1/0471/2010/COU Church St.Stores – Conversion 1st floor store to coffee shop/bistro
- d. To receive any other planning matters-
 - i. 1/0680/2009/OUTM Fishleigh Park, Aller Rd – 8 affordable 3 open market houses – withdrawn.
 - ii. Cllr Burnage reported that Dolton Rangers FC wish to update and enlarge the dugouts on the football field. No objections but not to use metal sheets in the construction.

43(10/11) Any Other Business

Cllr Byrne asked who owns the land in the Square as inconsiderate parking could make it difficult for emergency services to reach The Royal Oak, School or Caravan Park. This subject to be an Agenda Item for the next meeting on 6th September 2010.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.15 pm.

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