

## Notes of the open meeting in respect of the King Alfred Close Design siting and other detail elements held in the Village Hall on Monday 24 November 2014

**Present: - Cllrs** H Jeffery – Chairman, D Jeffery, Cook, Clarke, Pearce, Phillips, Ranger, Tillotson and Potter DC.

**Apologies: - Cllrs** Cole, Slattery, Channon CC.

**In attendance: -** The Agent's representative and Cavanna Homes Officers.

Cavanna Home Officers introduced themselves and the proposals in respect of the reserved matters details. The public and members present then sought answers to numerous questions ranging from the through road access arrangements, turning head, reduction in numbers allied to no need for the surgery, car parking throughout, concern over egress and ingress to the A3052, height of the proposed houses, surface water drainage mitigation, perceived problems of increased surface water run off into gardens of KAW. A specific sewage problem outside the house of one resident. Emergency access off Farthings Lane and how was this to be controlled, to the 106 Agreement and funds for the up-grade of footpath no. 1 from the development to School Lane. What would happen if the Doctor's Surgery was not built/ or able to be completed or the doctors inability to fund the service. It was explained by the agent there was a clear commitment from CDE to provide the surgery fully fitted out and not as large as originally proposed. There was also a request for an undertaking/guarantee that no further development would take place on land to the south of the site as now approved under outline approval, also was there a guarantee that Mr Varley would not be developing his land. The agents could not give such an undertaking but indicated that CDE had no such intention. Consideration was sought for double yellow lines throughout to stop inappropriate parking both on the development and on KAW. A question was raised as to whether night time parking would be allowed on the surgery car park. On the matter of surface water drainage it was made clear that attenuation facilities were to be made under the surgery car park.

There was great interest and concern as to what the cost might be for the improvement of works to footpath 1 and that the £25,000 agreed by CDE at outline would not go very far and could any of the funds also required by EDDC under the 106 Agreement £96,000 be used towards the project, this was unknown at this time. Discussion could be held later on the subject.

The meeting concluded at 9.50pm.

The Agenda of the concluded meeting of the 24<sup>th</sup> November was carried over to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November in the Pavilion at 8pm as previously advised by notices placed on the Council's notice boards, on the web and agendas to members.

**Apologies: -** Cllrs Slattery and Cook.

**In attendance: -** Cllrs Channon (CC), Potter (DC) and D G Atkins (Clerk & RFO) and one member of the public.

### Open Session

The meeting was informed that in respect of Cranbrook, an Officer at EDDC had confirmed that in reply to queries raised on who was moving into properties, it is 61% from Exeter, 22% from the rest of

East Devon, 11% Devon as a whole and 6% from elsewhere i.e Somerset, Bristol, Dorset and Cornwall. There is definitely no block take up by Birmingham, Manchester or London Councils as alleged. It was also reported that 758 properties had now been built. In respect of problem families the District Council had a duty placed upon them to house people displaced for whatever reason wherever a vacancy arose. Bad occupants could be moved to other areas and vice versa.

**10/13/108** Minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> September as revised were approved and signed.

Proposed	Cllr	D Jeffery	
Seconded	Cllr	Clarke	6-0-1

**10/13/109** Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2014 were approved and signed.

Proposed	Cllr	Phillips	
Seconded	Cllr	D Jeffery	Unan

**10/13/110** **Reports**

**A) Chairmans**

1. Police. It was noted an email report had been forwarded but due to a problem it had not been forwarded to members. It would be dealt with at the next meeting in December.
2. Ottery Hospital – Alleged closure re. alterations of operational functions.

The Chairman indicated that a special meeting had been arranged for the next night in the Pavilion at 7.30pm. It was noted that certain officers were unable to attend. Cllr Channon advised those present of the current financial position facing the CCA which she considered the Health Service was a victim of its own success. She outlined the need to promote efficiency by reducing from 5 to 3 functional needs at Hospitals. There was definitely no complete closure of Ottery hospital on the cards. Stroke patients from Crediton had been moved in and were to be joined by those from Budleigh Salterton on a temporary basis prior to a relocation to the RD&E, thus ongoing deliberations on all service functions were under review. Cllr Channon continued to outline the activities likely to be continued or even added at Ottery such as Age Concern, Memory Café, Physiotherapy could create a gym and fitness function. Hospice care and some commercial space along with a Clinician service. Beds were also being kept in place over the winter to accommodate such things as flu. The facility should remain as a benefit to Ottery. It was further made clear that patients were better off at home than in hospital, it aided recovery. It was noted that the public consultation would close on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014. Cllr Tillotson raised the matter of the minor accident unit already closed, especially with the school next door. It was again pointed out that when it was open only 3 people on average needed to be seen. Any submission to be forwarded by email to the clerk.

## B) Clerks

1. Receipt and payments schedule – October – Noted.
2. Landscape sheets. It was stated by the RFO these had been updated with corrections, which were entirely due to the page headings having been included as figures by the computer. The P3 budget figures had been removed from the budget. These would now be presented to the next Finance Committee for ratification and presented at the December Council Meeting.
3. 106 Funding update. Cllr Phillips. It was noted further information was still awaited from Sulina Tullack.
4. Venn Ottery Quarry – Water run off, further update to the clerks previous emailed notes. The clerk revised the current position which noted that DCC were ditching the road down from the quarry. He had had conversations with Chris Drake adjacent land owners and the Quarry Manager, who stated categorically that he was not allowed to produce money but was very keen to help by supplying a digger and man, which Chris Drake was also offering to do. The problem was who was to pay for any lorry hire and there was then the EA who had to be accommodated. Members were very happy to hear that any spoil could be taken to the quarry for use in reinstatement. The clerk further reported that both P3 coordinators had looked into the problems and were under the view that until works to the overgrown lane in the ownership of Chris Down was sought, nothing should be done at Southerton. The clerk said Mr Down had made contact and when pheasant shooting gave him a clear day he would be quite prepared to meet the clerk on site. It was resolved to call a meeting of the Quarry Liaison Committee in early January with interested parties to consider the matter further.
5. Harpford Flooding and Red Bridge concerns. Cllr Ranger spoke yet again on the concerns of Harpford residents. Cllr Channon set out some of the background to the problems arising over the years. It was noted she had advised the Chair of the County Council Drainage Committee in respect to the River Otter in the hope that he would be prepared to call a meeting with all concerned to try and put forward the basis of a way forward. It was resolved to place the item on the next Agenda.
6. Date of next Parish Council Meeting to be considered and then it was resolved to hold it on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December, in place of the 29<sup>th</sup> December, due to the Christmas break and other activities

To note also that the January meeting would be held on the last Monday of the month 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Resolved – Members agreed to these dates.

7. Boundary Review. It was noted that the boundary review for the County was now out for consultation and whilst it did not impact on parish boundary there was an allowance made for any matters considered necessary to be taken forward.

- C) **County** - Cllr Channon – Matters referred to above.
- D) **District** – Cllr Potter referred to the parishes meeting being held at Knowle on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. He enquired who might be attending. It was noted it was Cllr Ranger and the clerk. He also referred to the legislation in respect of Japanese Knotweed and Balsam, saying that there were now fines applied to anyone found with knotweed in their gardens or on land in their ownership of £2,500.
- E) **Harpford Hall** – Cllr Ranger indicated that matters were progressing and that funds towards the purchase by the inhabitants of Harpford were slowly being committed. The clerk sought clarification if Parish Council funding support was likely to be required. It was considered it would not be but that grant aid to running costs might be required.
- F) **Mr T Swan – P3 Matters** – Mr Swan sent apologies and the Clerk read a statement from him in respect of the concerns at Red Bridge and the need for urgent remedial action.

**10/13/111 Planning Report**

Cllr D Jeffery reported on site inspections held on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 10am.

1. 16 Capper Close
2. Pippins, Station Road – Note was taken in respect of the Planning Chairman’s report, but members considered the garden was longer enough to create a turning area so that a car could come out in a forward maneuver for safety.

**10/13/112 Communications, EDDC**

Estimated costs in respect of elections next year. A proforma list of likely charges had been sent to all Councils for budgeting purposes Newton Poppleford 1/3 share could be around £1,260.00 This clearly indicated that it was a third share between County, National Elections and contended parish elections. Any such by-elections could cost the parish large sums of money based on the charges now provided.

**10/13/113**

To consider a date, time and place to review the standing orders (private meeting). The Chairman considered that further updated Standing Orders were needed to fully update the Parish Council in line with the new legislation from DALC. It was further considered that the clerk obtain a copy of the District’s Standing Orders.

**10/13/114**

**Matters raised by Members**

KAW proposed design – The Chairman made the point that if anyone had any queries or required further answers to pass these via email to her for drawing together and forwarding. The document provided would be uploaded to the website when received.

Bin at Burrow bus stop – Clerk to follow up with Council.

**10/13/115**

**Closure**

The meeting closed at 9.40pm.