

Newton Poppleford & Harpford Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 29 February 2016 in the
Village Hall at 8pm

Present: Cllrs: Jeffery – Chairman, Burhop, Kemp, Clarke, Tillotson & Ranger (DC).	Actions
Apologies: - Cllrs: - Downen, Lipczynski, Zirker, Coppell & Channon (CC).	
In attendance: - D G Atkins (Clerk & RFO), PC Steve Lee and 12 Members of the Public	
<p>Public Open Session</p> <p>Venn Ottery Residents Association Chairman, Howard Hughes, highlighted several issues; fixing the road after quarry damage, horse riders and bridleways, the completion of quarrying at the Venn Ottery Quarry and reinstatement of the site prior to vacation in May 2016. It was resolved that Mr Hughes would keep the Council informed of any issues to discuss with the quarry, and Cllr Kemp would keep contact with the VOSRA group.</p> <p>Doctor’s Surgery - Mrs Cook suggested that space at Stowford surgery, Sidmouth, could be used by the Ottery doctors as it was more accessible than getting to Ottery by public transport. Clerk mentioned that the surgery lease is due to be renegotiated and this matter would be raised too.</p> <p>Pavilion - Mrs Swan had noted a clash of users for the meeting of 26th May (Council Annual Meetings) with the cricket team. The clerk said he would rearrange the venue.</p> <p>Toilets - Discussion in respect of the alleged inappropriate use of the gents toilet and its immediate lock out. The police had not been informed by the person who had reported the matter to the press. Cllr Burhop considered members should have been informed before the toilets had been locked and publicity given to the press by EDDC. The Parish Council decided to reopen the toilets and let EDDC know.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>A</p> <p>A</p> <p>A</p>
<p>Council Meeting</p> <p>1. Minutes of the meeting held on 25th January 2016 were approved and signed. Proposed: Cllr Burhop, Seconded: Cllr Tillotson. Unan.</p>	
<p>2. Declarations of Interest – Personal and private Cllrs Kemp & Tillotson re. Mr White’s planning application.</p>	
<p>3. Police Report – Written report to be provided. 1 criminal offence, 1 public disorder, 2 thefts, 1 domestic and 2 burglaries during the month. PC Lee asked the community to report anything suspicious to the police, however small as it helped build a picture of events.</p>	
<p>4. Action List</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Slade raised the matter of tree works on The Green and the problem of leaves in autumn. Resolved to discuss further at Finance meeting. • Hedge at Turner Close. Removal not large enough area, parking problems do not appear to be an issue at the moment. • Life Belt re. River Otter – make a request to EDDC. • Web adverts - waiting to be taken forward by David Zirker. • Vacancy in Harpford Ward. Resolved to issue poll cards, the cost is likely to be in 	<p>A</p> <p>A</p>

<p>year and drawing down on reserves. Budget agreed for 16/17 – unam.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Management – Receipts, payments and balances for end of January received and noted. 	
<p>8. Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parishes Together – Noted support given to Otter Town Council re. Scout Hut as Parish Scouts attend. • School signs – Consideration with CC. • Cllr Channon – Noted apologies. • District Cllr – Cllr Ranger referred to technical matters, planning, policy or ownership. EDDC did not have a consultation policy not in place. • Pathway Co-ordinator (Mr Swan) - Noted annual survey completed. Some grant should be available shortly. FP17 Cleared. FP12 Large tree down in Harpford Woods, proceed with care (CDE notified and acknowledged). FP16 Red Bridge more erosion now becoming a danger for walkers. Signage could be required. Noted that the KAW planning proposal had provision incorporated for new path. 	
<p>Closure - The meeting concluded.</p> <p>Part B items – Councillors only Policy & Personnel – The Chairman updated members on the current reviews of personnel and work load. Cllr Zirker had further information for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 10:30pm.</p> <p>Chairman</p> <p>Date</p>	