

## **SOUTH MILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019**

**OPS** None

**1. Present/Apologies:** Cllrs M. Brice, T. Lewis, A. Berryman, G. Collyer, P. Booker, R Luscombe, D Clift (SMPC) present. Also present Cllr R Gilbert (DCC), Cllrs J. Pearce and M. Long (SHDC). Apologies from Mrs L Anderton (clerk). The minutes were taken by Cllr G Collyer.

#### **2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 had previously been circulated and were taken as read. They were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

#### **3. Matters Arising not raised in agenda items below**

- Lane End Nothing to report.
- Speeding Controls DCC's Speed Compliance Action Review Forum (SCARF), held in conjunction with Devon and Cornwall Constabulary, had reported that there was not a speeding issue between Marengi and the Old Post Office. This decision was made in the light of a hand-held speed survey on the morning of Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> July.
- Parking at Milton Cross – No further problems reported.
- Website Meeting to be arranged between Cllrs Booker and Collyer and Andrew Cardrick.

#### **4. Declarations of Pecuniary or Other Interests on agenda items** None

#### **5. Neighbourhood Plan Update**

The Plan was officially 'made' on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September and now carries the same weight as the Joint Local Plan. Cllr Pearce explained that the delay between the Plan being passed at referendum on 25<sup>th</sup> July (by 148 votes to 30) and last Friday was procedural, and the document had been in force since the successful vote. Cllr Long congratulated SMPC and its steering group on being a 'shining example' to small parish councils on how to produce a neighbourhood plan.

#### **6. Planning matters**

- **2280/19/HHO** garage at Bridge House - SUPPORT
- **2522/19/CLE** Certificate of Lawfulness car park field, Thurlestone Golf Club - SUPPORT
- **2418/19/HHO** single storey rear extension at Pond Cottage – SUPPORT
- **2419/19/LBC** Listed Building Consent for single storey rear extension at Pond Cottage - SUPPORT

#### **7. South Milton Sands/National Trust**

The joint working group has not met since the last SMPC meeting.

#### **8 Review of Byelaws re dogs on beaches**

A total of 27 written responses had been received by the clerk following a piece in the July issue of the village newsletter asking for views ahead of SHDC's Public Space Protection Orders review this autumn. SMPC had decided to carry out its own investigation following a number of public comments about the behaviour of certain dogs and their owners on and around South Milton Sands. From the responses 18 people were in favour of some action being taken, mostly in the form of either seasonal or time bans. There was also support for dogs being kept on leads at all times. Nine of the responses supported the status quo. SHDC will contact SMPC for its views when the review begins.

#### **8. District Councillors' Reports**

- **JP** The dog waste bin at beach steps has been replaced by a larger model but of the wrong type. Moves to obtain the correct bin, with a lid, are proving difficult.
- Two new enforcement officers have been employed by SHDC.
- **ML** There is now a zero-tolerance policy over environmental crime, such as fly-tipping.

**9. County Councillor's Report**

RG DCC has been left with no choice but to accept the ending of the contract of Gigaclear by Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS). The firm had been unable to deliver full fibre broadband within the target date. A new procurement process has been launched by CDS and he thinks a new company will be cutting the first turf by the spring of 2020.

**10. Finance**

- Payments to approve

Brian Baker grass cutting August	180.00
Clerk's salary and stamps August	217.32
Village Hall hire	65.00
Nick Walker NP banners	105.60
A Woollam for cemetery tree work	73.00
Clerk's salary September	210.00
- Bank Account Status After approval of the above cheques, balances at bank were £16,074.97.

**11. Date of next meeting** – Monday 28th October 2019 at 7.30 pm.

Approved..... Date.....  
(Chairman)