

# Otterton Parish Council

A **Meeting** of Otterton Parish Council was held on **Monday 9th September** at 7.30pm in the Committee Room of Otterton Village Hall. All members of Otterton Parish Council were summoned to attend the meeting, members of the public and the press were made welcome.

Present: Cllrs Pride, Lister, Walker, Young & Hill. Also present Cllr Jarvis and 5 members of the public.

## MINUTES

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies received from Cllrs Hiles & Farrington. Also Cllrs Dent & Tom Wright & Cllr Claire Wright,
2. **Declarations of Interests:** There were no declarations of pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.
3. **Confidential Items of Business:** It was agreed there would be one item of correspondence which needed to be dealt with in confidence.

4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 7th August were signed as a correct record of the meeting. The following matters were considered.
  - Quotes for Hedge Cutting Quote from Halcyon Landscapes for £315 for cutting the cemetery and Jubilee playground hedges accepted.
  - Local Hero. It was agreed that residents that help the community would be thanked by the OPC in the monthly newsletter. Members of the PC to suggest names to the clerk at each meeting.
  - Advertising at football matches. For next meeting.

5. **Public Questions and Comments:** *Items for Discussion and Decision*

White Lodge ditch needs to be cleared to prevent flooding, stone trap needs to be cleared, set date for clearing with Cllr Hiles.

School entrance to church street, needs to be attention.

Fence damaged on bridge, overhanging trees also a danger. Clerk to report to Clinton.

Suggestion to change priority at the bottom of Bell Street so that traffic has right of way towards Ladram bay. It was thought by a member of the public that this may ease congestion at this junction and be safer. It was reported by a member of the public that statutory stop signs have been unlawfully removed at this junction. Junction at bottom of Maunders Hill changed. Why has stop signed been removed at bottom of Lea Road, Clerk to seek advise from advise Cllr Tom Wright.

Junction at Brick Cross continues to be a problem.

Virtual pathway continues to be a problem. Challenging parking makes use of pathway difficult.

Newsletter re fireworks and the need for consideration for other residents.

Maintenance of Roadside hedges, 3 Corners, Sandpipers, Sheepscombe, Lea lane above Goats hedge, responsibility of residents. Green Lane hedge trimming needs attention.

6. **Chairman's Business:** To receive a report from the Chairman

The Footpath posts have been delivered placement of the posts is ongoing, the first should be going in soon.

Picnic bench in Jubilee play park has been delivered and is in place.

Trees on green cut today.

Brick cross fenced for safety

Wasp nest in the wall on Maunders Hill dealt with by Ian Simpson. Thanks to Ian Simpson recorded.

### ONP Meetings

The steering group are working their way through the responses.

The group also met with Ladram Bay and their planners.

Two members of the group had a site visit to Ladram Bay.  
106 funding meeting needs to be changed to October.

#### **Reindeer run.**

I am away working at the moment so I am unable to be the race Director on the day  
Jim Pyne contacted me late last week.

For those of you who don't know Jim and Jeanette were involved with the first runs 16 years ago.  
Jim has offered his services to put the course out and other jobs while I do the booking of everything  
and pre race day administration.

So please put in your dairy the first Saturday of December (7<sup>th</sup>) and please volunteer as a Marshall or  
other helpers.

The Otterton Neighborhood plan states from the village survey that the village wants community  
events this is one of the largest village events and raises money for our fantastic school.

This event is hanging by a thread without support this brilliant event will die.

This has been an 11th hour reprieve due to Jim's community spirit please get In touch to put your name  
down as a volunteer.

Replacement for unsafe cherry tree – Forrest Pansy agreed. Cllr Val pride

#### **7. Neighbourhood Plan – Update.**

Items from Neighbourhood plan – Village events

Harvest Supper will take place in the Village hall on October. This wonderful event is run by the  
church but is open to the whole community. Christmas Meal:- it was agreed that the clerk would  
look into organising a village meal following the very successful occasions organised by Brian & Judy  
Major.

Spending of 106 funding for sports equipment – village meeting to be postponed until October.

#### **8. Planning Matters: 19/1805/LBC 34 Fore Street Otterton. – No Objection**

Land at North Star 19/1793/Ful – No objection.

#### **9. Pathways and PROW:** Thanks to Mr Iain Ure. Report attached.

#### **10. Ladram Bay:** To consider progress with retrospective planning applications. Meeting with Jurassic coast to see if any concessions possible to delay enforcement.

#### **11. Emergency plan – ratify, update and publish:** Thanks to Cllr Farrington for updating this document this has been circulated and will now be sent to EDDC for publication.

#### **12. Reports from Councillors with specific responsibilities & reports on village amenities and Bodies**

- (i) The Village Green & Community Shop – Cllr Pride NTR
- (ii) The War Memorial & Raleigh Federation – Cllr Hiles NTR
- (iii) Stantyway Recreation Ground – Cllr Walker NTR
- (iv) Football Club & Jubilee Playground– Cllr Farrington NTR
- (v) The Cemetery – Cllr Lister – apart from need to cut hedge NTR
- (vi) The Village hall – Cllr Young NTR
- (vii) Trees – Mr Iain Ure - see report.
- (viii) Contracts & Finance – Cllr Hiles NTR
- (ix) Village Defribulator - Training date to be organised.

#### **13. County Council Report:** Due to absence of County Councillor Claire Wright no report was received.

#### **14. District Council Report:** A report from Councillors Mr Paul Jarvis was received

Climate emergency declared, 2.7m deficit expected. Carbon footprint to be managed.  
Reduction of PCOs & reduction in Fire Service to be challenged need to have a local/rural presence.

**15. Correspondence:**

- Invitation - FREE voluntary and community group event
- School use of Stantway Recreation Field. It was agreed that there should not be a formal agreement as the present situation works well. It was also agreed that school should not be asked to pay a contribution towards the upkeep of the Recreation Field.
- Meeting at Colaton Raleigh re Fire service: Recommendation for as many Cllrs as possible attend
- Letter from Clare James
- Village Sign has been stolen. Clerk to investigate replacement costs and write a piece for the local paper.

**16. Financial Matters:** To receive a note of payments and receipts for August 2019.

Agree a fund for decorative planting on public areas in the village.

See separate I & E report.

**17. Items for the next Agenda:** Village meeting, events, hedge trimming, purchase of Forrest Pansy for green.

**18. Date of Next Meeting:** To agree that the next meeting will be held on **Monday 7th October 2019**

Fran Mills

Clerk to the Parish Council 16.9.19

**Please note that the Village meeting planned for the 21<sup>st</sup> September has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances.**

**A new date will be advertised in the Village Newsletter. Apologies for any inconvenience.**