MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLYST ST GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL

held on 10 April 2024 at 8.10pm following the Annual Meeting in the Parish Hall

Present: Chairman: Cllr J Manser

Councillors: Cllrs. Bragg, Marks, Bowen, Piper, Bowen

District Councillor: Cllr M. Howe

Clerk: Mrs. Cathryn Newbery

Members of Public - 0

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Ward and Stubbs

2. Approval of Minutes – Unanimous approval.

3. Declaration of Interest - Cllr Bragg - Item 8 of Agenda

4. Open Forum – none

5. District Councillor's Report -

Cllr Randall Johnson had circulated her report prior to the meeting.

Cllr Howe reported that the planning application on Oak Tree House had today been refused. He considered this was a good decision, and the fact that our Neighbourhood Plan and the scale of the building had been recognised was also good, In reality, he considered the house should remain the same size as it is presently. Cllr Manser said that the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation from Woodbury was imminent and affected Ebford.

6. Emails received - Clerk to Report

- Several weather warnings from EDDC and DCC.
- Email from EDDC with information re the upcoming Police Commissioner Elections
- Email re Local Cycling sand Walking Infrastructure Plan Consultations.
- Email from Devon County Council with free energy efficiency guide last chance to have your say on devolution proposals.
- Email from Highways re Temporary traffic notice Oil Mill Lane, Clyst St George
- Email from DALC with Bulletin
- Email with Neighbourhood Newsletter Spring 2024
- Email from Devon County Council with notice of A30/35 Road Closure 18 April
- Email from EDDC with Twon and Country Newsletter
- Email from Highways with temporary traffic notice Exmouth Road towards Clyst St George on 27th March
- Email from Exe Estuary with Exe Press Newsletter

 Email from Lympstone Parish Council with concerns regarding the 'Green Wedge' and EDDC

The Clerk confirmed these emails had been distributed.

7. Finance -Clerk to Report

The accounts had been circulated for review, which included figures for the year end of 31st March 2024. The figures included the first Precept payment in the sum of £4779.00. The credit balance is presently £6318.78, and £1207.25 in the CIL account. As agreed at the last meeting, Cartridges had been paid for the land transfer and purchase. Accounts outstanding for the month are the Village Hall hire fees of £18 and the Clerk's salary. The Clerk then called for a vote for acceptance of the distributed accounts and to pay the Village Hall accounts in the sum of £18 and the Clerk's salary.

Unanimous Vote on acceptance of the accounts as distributed and payments as listed to be made.

8. Transfer of Land – update of current position

The Clerk reported that completion was imminent, with results from the final searches being awaited by Cartridges.

9. New Open Space: Fencing & Footpath Diversion

Cllr Manser confirmed that notices had been displayed for consultation, with fees from Devon County Council being £500, for London Gazette fees. The notice will also be displayed on the Parish Council website. Cllr Manser confirmed there were more fencing quotes due, hopeful a quote will be available prior to the next meeting.

10 Planning

24/0110/FUL Branscombe Farm, Ebford Lane, Ebford (amended) Demolish existing structures and erection of two dwellings, garages, improvements to existing vehicular access, hardstanding, landscaping and all associated development.

Unanimous Vote – no need to change comments, Conservation officer's comments stand.

11. Councillors' Reports

Clir Bowen reported that the firm who carried out the cleaning of the bus shelters was fully booked but had recommended another person who could undertake the work. She asked that we allow her to pass the work to him. She confirmed he was recommended. All confirmed this was agreed.

Clir Marks confirmed he had applied for the P3 grant and he anticipated we should receive the £300 shortly. Clir Marks said that when the Cricket Club footpath belongs to the Parish Council, then that could be added and our claim would increase. Clir Marks also said that

there had been an offer to paint the phone box for a small fee, using special leaded paint. As we had had no success with British Telecom on this matter, he considered we should all accept this offer. Following short discussion, all agreed. Cllr Marks also confirmed all the dog bins had been emptied.

Cllr Bragg had nothing to report.

Cllr Piper reported that he had spoken to Cllr Henry Gent prior to sending his letter to Highways relating to speeds and he was also going to bring up the matter of the lights at Redlands Garage and their effect on drivers and the local community.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 8th May 2024