

MINUTES of the Deviock Parish Council PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING at the HESSENFORD CHURCH HALL, HESSENFORD on THURSDAY 28th MAY 2009 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: R. J. Daniel (Chairman), Ms. M.E. Temlett (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. M. Y. Byles, J.P. Candy, Mrs G.E. Hartland, C. J. Hazel

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

Cllr. Candy declared and prejudicial interest in item 4.1.

2. 10 MINUTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD, for public comment on the items below:

The Chairman stated that he would bring item 10.1. forward to after apologies and that he would break the public participation period into two parts, the first being items on the agenda other than that relating to the issue of Church Hill, Hessenford, and the second, after item 10.1., for comment on the issue of Church Hill, Hessenford.

No member of the public wished to address the Committee regarding items on the agenda other than the issue of Church Hill, Hessenford.

3. APOLOGIES: Cllrs. G.K. Berncastle, D.L.G. Elliott, P. McClung, Mrs. A. Robinson & S.J. Parry

10. URGENT BUSINESS ADMITTED BY THE CHAIRMAN

10.1. Discussion and review of local highway issues with Ms. Rebecca Dickson (Cornwall County East, Area Highway Manager)

The Chairman gave an outline of the Parish Highways site meeting that had taken place before the meeting:-

a) Church Hill, Hessenford: Mr. Ian Davey (land-owner) was prepared to create a turning area on both sides of the possible road closure site. The installation of a locked gate might not be possible because of legal issues.

Rebecca Dickson stated that she would need to seek advice concerning the requirement for a turning area; that a public consultation process would be required in order to gauge local support for the road closure; that there was no Highways Dept. budget in 2009/10 for this type of project, but that the local County Councillor Highways budget allocation might be reinstated for 2010/11; that the Parish could undertake important preparatory work to prepare a case for road closure during the ensuing period e.g. consultation of public services, and local groups, specific mention in the revised Parish Plan and speed monitoring data collection.

The Chairman suggested that a full planning application for the works would be required and that some kind of cost sharing of this could be looked into.

b) The Chairman stated that the site meeting had also visited Narkurs, Downderry School, the centre of Downderry, Seaton bridge, the junction with Keveral Lane and the Seaton Valley Road. Various problem areas had been pointed out en route.

Rebecca Dickson stated that she would take away all these requests concerning alterations to parking arrangements and speed limits produce a report for the Council. Changes would be subject to a Traffic Regulation Order for which there was no budget allocated in the current year.

The Chairman raised the issue of misuse of satellite navigation aids by large vehicle users and stated that Cllr. Elliott had visited all the local lanes where problems could occur, had taken photographs to show where possible signage could be installed.

Cllr. Mrs. M.Y. Byles asked if the Parish Council could pay for signs to be erected? Rebecca Dickson stated that the signs would need to conform to approved designs, but that funding by the Parish would be possible. The Chairman thanked Ms. Dickson for attending the meeting and hoped that a positive outcome from it would occur.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

4.1. 09/00711/FUL N. & E. Jones THE GUNDECK, TOP ROAD, DOWNDERRY Construction of conservatory

Cllr. J.P. Candy declared a prejudicial interest and left the meeting.

The Chairman stated that the submissions of objection to previous applications relating to this development, made by Deviock P.C. had been persistently overruled by the District Council, the result being a most unsatisfactory scheme for a variety of reasons. The neighbours were justifiably aggrieved and the permissions had set a very undesirable precedent. Further comments about the site could see the Council inadvertently becoming party to a permission which should properly be examined by a planning ombudsman".

The Chairman **proposed that the Council neither object to nor support** the application; this was **seconded** by Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hartland and **agreed** unanimously by the Meeting.

Cllr. J.P. Candy rejoined the meeting.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA:

None had been received.

6. PLANNING DECISIONS:

None had been received.

7. PLANNING APPEALS (received by date of Meeting)

None had been received.

8. FINANCE:

8.1. Accounts to be paid

The Clerk reported that there were no accounts requiring payment at this time.

9. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA:

9.1. Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hartland asked if a list of key holders to the locked Seaton beach gate could be obtained. The Clerk agreed to look into this matter.

10. URGENT BUSINESS ADMITTED BY THE CHAIRMAN (Continued)

10.2. To debate the following resolution "That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public be excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw".

Support for this proposal was **proposed** by the Chairman, **seconded** by Cllr. J.P. Candy and **agreed** unanimously by the Meeting.

10.2. The Committee considered policy regarding Tree Preservation Orders. The Chairman suggested that this matter should be brought back to full Council at the next meeting and this was agreed by the Meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 19.40 hrs.