



Cllr Hicks informed the PC that both SHDC and West Devon BC had voted for the merger of the two Councils. This will be subject to consultation and must be thorough and allow members to have a view of and control over questions within the consultation.

The Joint Local Plan has now been submitted to the Inspectorate as of Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July. We will then await a hearing date.

Cllr Franks expressed grave concerns and dissatisfaction on behalf of the PC in relation to the recent lack of consultation regarding Phase 2 of the West Dart development.

Cllr Coupar stated that correspondence between SHDC and the developer had only allowed for 8 days consultation in the middle of the main holiday season. Cllr Coupar confirmed that he has written to ask for a meeting between SFPC and representatives from Dartmouth Town Council. The Draft Local Plan has reverted to the previous allocation of 450 dwellings.

Cllr Judd stated that any proposed development will impact upon the Parish.

Cllr Hicks confirmed that he will look into this.

### **396. COMMUNITY**

#### **(a) Reported problems**

Cllr Newman confirmed that the Bay View hedging had now been cut albeit rather ruthlessly.

#### **(b) Police Report**

Cllr Smith discussed the recent Neighbourhood Policing meeting which she had attended at SHDC. She was rather disappointed as there was very little consultation and proposed changes seem to be a done deal. Dartmouth Police Station will continue to exist but with no front desk.

Cllr Franks stated that hopefully our Youth club can be of some help to younger members of the public.

Cllr Judd had nothing to report from the Police facebook account for Stoke Fleming.

#### **(c) Noticeboard**

Cllr Newman to confirm the ownership of this piece of land which is possibly within the land boundaries of the Housing Association.

#### **(d) Groundwork Community Funding Grant**

Cllr Coupar stated that the Grant had to be spent within six months of receiving it which gives a deadline of 24<sup>th</sup> October. This will be addressed at the forthcoming Neighbourhood Plan meeting.

#### **(e) Fresher's Fair**

The Clerk confirmed that correspondence with the various interested clubs is continuing with regards their requirements for the Fair. The poster will be placed on various boards, the website and within the SF magazine in order to advertise the event.

#### **(f) Website Sponsors**

Cllr Coupar proposed that the next stage of the website would be possibly to appoint someone to organize the Business Directory more fully.

Clerk confirmed that revenue for advertising had dropped off over the last 2-3 years and agreed to meet with Cllr Franks to discuss a way forward.

#### **(g) Bird Walk**

Cllr Coupar stated that the forthcoming meeting with stakeholders will agree to a plan and discuss the type of fencing required.

Cllr Newman gave concerns over safety issues to the very poor condition of the existing fencing. It was agreed that the Clerk will write to the owners of Farwell House and Stoke Lodge to ascertain who owns the boundary and to ask if they could mend this part of the fencing as a short-term solution.

#### **(h) Dog Show**

Cllr Franks discussed the success of the recent Dog Show held by Hope Elliot. The event had received a good turn-out and raised over £200. It was confirmed that the £5 fee had been repaid to Hope.

**(i) Letting Policy**

Members of the public have expressed concerns regarding the affordable housing criteria. Cllr Coupar proposed that SHDC might receive a report from the management company of the previous School Road development which would show the criteria necessary. Cllr Hicks stated that SHDC do not receive such a report but that Housing Associations do have to follow allocation rules.

Cllr Wood asked if anyone checks this and Cllr Hicks said that there is no mandate to check but the HA can be called to report within their Scrutiny meeting.

Cllr Judd asked if this meeting is open to the public and minuted. Cllr Hicks confirmed that there is a certain procedure to follow whereby questions can be tabled. Committee members may invite Devon Home Choice to attend and be questioned accordingly.

Cllr Coupar agreed that the PC will write to say that SFPC would like to be involved in this process.

**(j) West Dart Development**

Cllr Coupar stated that a meeting between Dartmouth Council and SFPC will go ahead. The original reasons for the housing to be reduced still stand and are still relevant. The previous closing date of 24<sup>th</sup> July for consultation no longer applies. SFPC will state a case after the joint meeting takes place.

**397. ROADS & TRANSPORT**

**(a) Reported problems**

A five-bar gate is lying on the ground at the top of Blackpool Hill. Cllr Wood is corresponding with Paul McFadden from Coastal Paths.

Cllr Harris will monitor the pothole along Blackmore Lane which is circled yellow.

**(b) Bugford Flooding**

Charlie Wreford-Smith to progress – Clerk to monitor.

**(c) Blackpool Hill manhole covers**

Cllr Judd confirmed that he has photographic evidence of a depth greater than two inches regarding the manhole covers. The Clerk to email Highways again with these details.

**398. MAINTENANCE**

**(a) Bus shelter – Sportsman’s Arms**

Cllr Newman confirmed that John Dunn will quote on the roof works.

**(b) Reported problems**

A member of the public reported a broken strut at the Jubilee shelter on the playing field. Clerk to ask Keith Ellis if he can repair.

Clerk to ask three local gardeners to tender for the Children’s Playpark grass maintenance.

Cllr Franks expressed concern over the untidiness along Venn Lane. Cllr Harris asked Cllr Hicks if SHDC have completed their spraying program. Cllr Hicks to find out.

**399. PLANNING:**

**APPLICATIONS**

**Lower Ash Farm, Ash, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0LR**

2228/17/FUL Change of use of land for the siting of shepherd's hut for camping/holiday use.

**Farwell House, Rectory Lane, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0QB**

2265/17/LBC Listed building consent for proposed schedule of works to repairs to the roof.

**Greenwood Barn, Lower Ash Farm, Blackawton TQ6 0LR**

2187/17/FUL Application for profiled sheet roof following granted consent for Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q(a+b)).

**Church Cottage, Church Road, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PZ**

1936/17/HHO Re advertisement (revised plans) Householder application for installation of window to side elevation.

**DECISIONS**

**The Barn, Blatchmore Lane, Bugford**

0791/17/PDM Prior approval given for proposed change of use of agricultural building.

**Venn Farm, Venn, Dartmouth TQ6 0LE**

1794/17/PDM Prior approval given for proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling house (C3).

**ENFORCEMENT CASES** Current enforcement list update

**400. FINANCE**

**a) BANK BALANCES**

Santander	£13,615.45	Statement dated 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Lloyds Bank	£18,997.49	Balance at 28th July 2017

**b) RECEIPTS**

None

Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Newman seconded that the following cheques be approved for signature. All were in agreement.

**c) ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID**

	£	
Nick Roberts	47.50	Shelter cleaning
Barry Morris	40.00	Website administration
Hannah Abraham	34.00	Toilet block cleaning
Miss J Talbot	330.55	Clerk salary
EDF Energy	327.67	Electricity bill
Alan Pook	1,500.00	Gardening services
Evergreen SW	66.00	Maintenance

**d) Football Club**

It was agreed that the Clerk makes a final attempt to contact the Chairman of the Football Club in relation to their outstanding bill. No response has been received from any emails over the last couple of months. Cllrs agreed that matches must be postponed if no payment is received imminently as they are in breach of contract.

**e) Santander**

Cllr Franks confirmed that changes need to be made to the Santander account. Cllr Judd to be added as a signatory and Jennie Farmer to be removed. Two Councillors must sign to approve and a set of minutes to be included.

**401. Skip**

Correspondence was received from Mike Simons congratulating the PC on a good job with regards the skip. Cllrs thanked Cllrs Bond, Newman and Smith for their contribution. As the skip was three-quarters full it was agreed that an annual skip would be sufficient.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

The next monthly meeting of the PC will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in the Village Hall at 7pm.

