

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN BAXTER HALL ON 17TH MARCH 2009

Councillors present: P Vogel (chairman) I Fisher (Vice Chair) J Harris D Kelsey A Hunkin, W Luxton District Councillors P Collins Jeffery Lee D C Cllr J Rawlinson. 10 member's public clerk.

55 **Apologies:** apologies received from Cllr Hanson and PSCO. Melissa Baker.

56 **Minutes:** minutes for the 20th January 2009, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record. All agreed.

57 Matters from the minutes.

- 1) Highway problems, a letter from the highways, on the water at Aish Cross, Cllr Luxton has met with the landowners, they are having a meeting with the highways and hope to get the problem sorted soon J Rawlinson will look into the problem. Put on Agenda for next meeting if not sorted
- 2) Reply from Mr Caddy on the notice board at Tarka Trail he suggests council help to put up a board at Tarka Trail, to be included on agenda for the Parish meeting.
- 3) Contact Chris Hanson to see if he is willing to have a salt bin on his property, if so contact Highways. J Rawlinson suggested that in future contact DCC Councillor if problem getting salt in bad weather.

58 PUBLIC SESSION

A number of residents attended the meeting to voice their concerns over the new Dog Control orders and how it will affect the Tarka Trail. Concerns to be forwarded to the Torridge District Council by 23rd March 2009. Clerk will write and forward the concerns of residents. Cllr P Collins did speak with the visiting Councillor on the subject. And took the concerns on board, for when they have the meeting at Torridge. Cllr Hunkin thought they should think about putting up Porta loos for others to use, instead of them using the Tarka Trail as a toilet.

59 Councillors Reports

- 1) DAPC Cllr Vogel No Meeting. Richard Clark Councillor from Shebbear has been elected on committee.
- 2) Torrington Advisory Group meeting same as our meeting, and the next meeting is same as Parish meeting.
- 3) Baxter Hall. Cllr W Luxton Dance in hall 28th March. Arranging St Georges day event, Coffee mornings with ladies going well
- 4) Recreation Ground. Flag pole to advertise cricket field to be erected.
At the meeting the treasurer reported a balance of over £2400 in current account and £2400 + in reserve are to transfer some to reserve account. Constitution was agreed and signed at the meeting. Sat 11th April annual egg hunt
Friday 15th Sat June 13th Jazz Band at the Rec ground a Treasure Hunt and Mouse racing also Firework display in the future Details later.
- 5) Play area re-opening after the relaying of play area recovering on the 4th May 2009 with a coffee morning fun for children?
- 6) P. Collins hope that everyone was pleased with the 0% on the Council tax. For the next year. Would like to know of anything that is needed within the village from his pool of £2000. Housing Survey for affordable housing is not be expected before next year in Petrockstowe.

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7 J Rawlinson John told meeting that he is retiring in June, he was thanked for all his help over the years, he brought along Cllr J who he hopes will be his successor on the D C C. The Boundaries meeting has been put back until 17th July 2009
Cllr Rawlinson is having a meeting with Mr J Deasey and will inform him that the Councillors at Petrockstowe are not happy with the Highways, on the flooded roads at Aish Cross Patchill to Sheepwash road and at Smiths hill on the Petrockstowe to Sheepwash road. Its has been going on for far to long. He suggested that a meeting should be set up with the Highways department to discuss all the complaint that have been reported, and have not been dealt with. Give until next meeting to see if sorted. J Rawlinson wanted to know if there is anything being done for the teenagers in the village. Cllr Harris could tell him about the group that has been formed for the five Parishes in the ward, he suggested they apply to his successor for some funds.

8 **Financial Matters**

- 1) Payment of £48 was approved for payment for the hire of the Baxter Hall for the meetings Cheque No 138 signed by Clerk and Cllr Vogel all agreed.
- 2) Payment approved for the clerks salary and expenses to end March 2009 Cheque No 139 for £376-62 signed by Cllrs Vogel and Luxton. all agreed.
- 3) Accounts for the Parish plan hopefully have been completed and final accounts sent to DCC.at Exeter for there approval's. Any money left will be put in the councils reserve account for future use.

9 Readers file circulated
Surveys from Torridge will be completed by Chairman.

No more business the meeting closed at 9-15pm

Chairman.....Date.....