

Minutes for Luppitt Parish Council 6/5/08

## **LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes** for the Annual General Meeting of **Luppitt Parish Council** held in the Village Hall at **8pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2008**.

Present: Gavin Brake (Chairman), Mrs Lindsey Dalgety (Vice Chairman), Mrs Julia Sparks (Footpaths Warden),

Messrs Mr D Hooper, Bernard Clapp, Andrew Tucker, District Councillor Mr D Key, and no members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs Brian Pulman, Paul Prettejohn, County Councillor Mr Roger Boote, PC Vickery 4783 and

PCSO Anning 30012

**All councillors are politely reminded of their obligation to declare interests under the Code of Conduct**

**In making decisions the Parish Council recognise their statutory duties provided for in Section 11A(2) of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 (National Parks) and Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (AONBs) that in exercising or performing any functions in relation to, or so as to affect, land, they shall have regard to their purposes (ie conserve and enhance their natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage and to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of their special qualities by the public).**

### **1. Appointment of Chairman and Officers**

Mr Gavin Brake was proposed as chairman, Mrs Lindsey Dalgety was proposed as Vice Chairman, and Mrs Julia Sparks for Footpaths Warden. All proposals were unanimously agreed and each councillor accepted their respective positions. Planning Committee were delegated as Gavin Brake, Lindsay Dalgety, Julia Sparks, Brian Pulman (subject to his acceptance).

**2. Minutes** of the previous meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2008 were signed as a correct record of that meeting.

**1.3 Receive apologies for absence AS ABOVE**

## 2 PLANNING

### 1. **Decisions** (for information)

**08/0668/FUL Yard Farm** – permission granted for ground floor extension and alterations to provide kitchen, utility, improved entrance and detached garage.

**08/0894/FUL Red Doors, Beacon** – Permission granted for extension to existing swimming pool to provide indoor playroom.

### 2. **Applications** (for recommendation)

NONE

1. EDDC Development Control – customer service questionnaire results received.
2. EDDC – Local development Framework; Pre-submission Draft Statement of Community Involvement and Update on Production of Other Local Development Framework Documents. Consultation starts on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2008 for a six week period and comments must be received at the council offices by 5pm on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2008
3. East Devon District Council – Unitary local government in Devon – offer to attend a meeting. A brief update on the unitary responses is that EDDC has submitted a suggestion for four unitaries – east & mid Devon and part of Teignbridge and north Devon/Torridge. Plymouth and Torbay to expand. DCC have by contrast suggested a single unitary (excluding Plymouth and Torbay which will always remain unitary). The Boundaries Committee will announce a way forward in July for consultation.
4. EDDC LDF – Gypsy and Traveller Issues and Options consultation circulated by email – paper version to follow. Clerk to complete asking that the amenity value of the AONB areas of the district are protected by siting the proposed pitches near to larger settlements which also provide better facilities for the residents.

### 5. **HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC**

Generally there has been much work completed recently in the parish, but there are still some areas need attention: the road from Dumpdon Hill (Red Doors) to Langford Bridge there are numerous large potholes. Outside Higher Wick Farm there is a drain under the road which needs clearing. Shelf Lane to Antelope Cottage still needs ditches remaking and the potholes filled. School Lane all the up to Fairview Farm has potholes, and at the hairpin the road edges are collapsing and being undercut and need attention – there are rocks falling onto the road.

#### **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

1. **The Ramblers Association** – letter advising the parish council of the claims being made as part of the DCC Definitive Map Review by the Ramblers Association under Schedule 14 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

A full explanation of the situation is to be written for the Packet by Cllr Brake. Mr Martyn from DCC will be contacted by Mr Brake to arrange a public meeting to answer questions from the public if required.

2. DCC are to carry out all first cuts on the footpaths this year. They have been warned not to cut bracken on the Common so as not to poison grazing cattle. Japanese Knotweed near School Lane is to be removed by DCC and treated to ensure it does not return (they are using permitted chemicals bearing in mind this is a Site of Special Scientific Interest).

### 4. **ENVIRONMENT**

1. DCC – Local Involvement Network for Devon (LINK) began in April 2008 and provides people with a new way they can influence and have their say about health and social care services locally. Users, voluntary organisations, community groups and individuals living in Devon can join LINK. See [www.devon.gov.uk/link](http://www.devon.gov.uk/link)
2. DCC – Primary Care Trust and Devon County Council recently undertook a joint strategic review of health and social care in Devon especially in regard to needs of the population and how social and healthcare is used. This has been used to inform a strategic framework for key priorities for the next five years see [www.devon.gov.uk/the\\_way\\_ahead\\_v3.pdf](http://www.devon.gov.uk/the_way_ahead_v3.pdf) profiles for the parish are attached and each Devon towns profiles can be seen online at [www.devon.gov.uk/JSNAprofiles](http://www.devon.gov.uk/JSNAprofiles) feedback or questions are welcomed electronically or on the form supplied.
3. Anti Social Behaviour Act – are there any areas which Luppitt wish to have designated in the proposed dog ban areas/dog on lead orders? Agreed for both of the play areas and sportsfield to be included.

## 6 COMMUNITY FACILITIES

6.1 **Community policing report** – one incident of criminal damage at a residential home, offender charged.

2. **Playgrounds** – Annual Inspection report for 2008 received – Mr Tucker advised that the Village Hall Management Committee are to replace the lock on electrical box in the hall play area, and remove the blocks at the base of the slide. Mr Tucker took the report to pass to the village hall committee and is also to quote for the replacement step on the small slide. All other items noted are low risk and no action is to be taken at this point.
3. The D shackle of one of the new swings has snapped, clerk to photograph the item which appears to be faulty and email to Lappset asking for an explanation, as the swings are less than a year old it is hoped they would replace any faulty items quickly.
3. Parish plan – Questionnaire to go out with Packet this month.

## 7 FINANCE

7.1 **Receipts** –

7.2 **Cheque payments** - Tony Mogford Associates Ltd (play inspections) £64.63 (Cheque agreed).

Account balances - at 1/5/08 Paths Account £817.85

Parish Account £1529.69

2. Clerk to close old Lloyds Village Hall Trustees Account when cheque is drawn.
3. Accounts and Audit statement 2007-8 for authorisation. Both signed and agreed.
4. Letter from Mr John Sage, he has now completed logging all meetings in the third minute book and the clerk is to

collect and deposit all at the Devon Records Office. Mr Sage thanks the Parish Council for allowing him the use of the book.

7.5 Letter for thanks received from Honiton Tourist Information & CAB for the recent donations.

## 7. CHAIRMANS DISCRETION

Reminder of Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2008

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC** (The meeting to be closed before questions from the public).

None.

**Dates for next meetings –**

8pm Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2008 Luppitt Village Hall (APM)

8pm Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2008 Luppitt Village Hall

This months useful information...
Water Saving & Composting
Did you know South West Water have a special deal with Blackwall who make water butts and composters? If you go to <a href="http://www.sww2u.com/">http://www.sww2u.com/</a> or call 0845 658 8866 you can find out about all the deals available.

If you need more compost than you can produce by yourself Otter Rotters' do a very reasonably priced is a locally produced compost, free of added chemicals - a genuine local resource recycled in the community. A fine-textured, riddled garden compost suitable for many uses. They also supply unriddled compost in bulk or by the bag. Their mulch is locally-sourced wood chip suitable as a general weed-suppressant. Although they do free delivery in their collection areas (which we arent) call them on 01404 549055 for more information!