

Minutes for Luppitt Parish Council 6/10/09

LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for a meeting of **Luppitt Parish Council** held in the Village Hall at **8pm on Tuesday 6th October 2009**.

Present: Cllrs Gavin Brake (Chairman), Lindsey Dalgety (Vice Chairman), Julia Sparks, Derek Hooper, Bernard Clapp, Andrew Tucker, Brian Pulman, Paul Prettejohn, County Councillor Paul Diviani, District Councillor David Key and no members of the public.
Apologies: PC Vickery 4783, 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).

1.1 **Minutes** of the previous meeting held in the Village Hall on **Tuesday 1st September 2009** were signed as a correct record of that meeting. AGREED with one amendment 2.2.1 delete last two words (nonsensical clerk).

1.2 **Receive apologies for absence AS ABOVE**

2 PLANNING http://planning.eastdevon.gov.uk/PublicAccess/tdc/DcApplication/application_searchform.aspx for full details

2.1 Decisions (for information)

2.1.1 09/1442/LBC Barnfield Farm – permission granted to replace existing thatch with water reed.

2.1.2 09/1286/FUL Matthayes Farm – erection of pavilion lean to extension.

2.2 Applications (For comment, support or objection)

2.2.1 09/1620/LBC Combeshead Farm – retention of single storey extension. Both Cllr Prettejohn and Cllr Brake declared an interest and left the room. Comments: it was agreed that this was a great improvement to the tin structure which was in place.

2.2.2 09/1618/FUL Combeshead Farm – retention of single storey extension. Comments: as above

2.3 EDDC Environmental Health – copy letter to all owners of land on Smeatharpe Airfield regarding use of land. The Letter confirms that the entire airfield is classed as one unit

for event purposes (ie even if it is subdivided and in the ownership of several parties, or falls into different districts as this does). Therefore a maximum of 28 days non agricultural use may be carried out in each calendar year on the land. Of these 28 days the maximum number that may be motor sport or any other land based motorised leisure activity would be 14 days use.

By means of an noise abatement order granted in August 2008, motor activity is further restricted on the site to Motor car/cycle sports evens/practicing and testing on no more than 7 days in each calendar year involving one or more vehicles. Events only between 9am – 4pm and not on Sundays or Public Holidays. Maximum of three stage rally events two of which may be Sundays. There must be 30 days between each of the 7 days.

An enclosed map defines the area which falls under the title of the Airfield and clearly shows the Stadium as a separate area having its own certificate of lawful use allowing 17 days motor sport use per calendar year.

2.4 EDDC consultation on Interim Rural Departure Site Policy for Mixed Affordable and Open Market Housing. Comments by 30th October 2009. The Parish Council cautiously support this policy based on the parish plan feedback, provided that development is limited to be proportionate to the size of the village.

3 HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

3.1 Parish Highways programme – it was agreed roads are in a better condition

3.2 Items to report – Tapsterwater to Dolish Farm, the road is degraded with many deep potholes. Needs resurfacing. School Lane has considerable potholes remaining above Clouds. Some work has been completed here, but more to do further on towards Honeywells. The corner from Jacks House (on the side of the road heading South to Luppitt Cross) has a very uneven surface due to pothole fillin, and as this is in a 60mph limit on a busy two lane road, and on a corner, this is a hazard. In general this stretch of road needs resurfacing. Lengthsman – Hillend along the flat to Sharcombe road side, the gully along this road needs clearing as its blocked up. On Shelf Lane, when works next take place we would like Highways to consider putting a concrete gully along the road edge as this lane carries heavy loads of surface water. The hand rail on the foot bridge adjacent to the road bridge between Colehill Farm and Meshayes Farm still has a broken metal hand rail – this is a real hazard to young children when the water is running fast in winter – please prioritise as an urgent safety issue.

4 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

4.1 Cllr Sparks report that the bridge at Wick is being washed away, this has now put the whole scheme into the next financial year not this one.

4.1 DCC Footpath 17 Luppitt Public Path Diversion Order 2009. received for publication. Diversion of public footpath away from buildings at Matthayes.

5 ENVIRONMENT

6 COMMUNITY FACILITIES

6.1 **Community policing report** – Two criminal damage to motor vehicles by a man attending a party (cars belonged to other people at the party) on private land.

6.2 **Parish plan** – there has been a question regarding the statistics supporting statements in the plan from a parishioner (Cllr Dalgety to respond).

6.3 **Emergency Plan** – model completed by Cllr Brake attached for comment, advertisement for parishioner assistance/involvement to be placed in the Packet along with householder reminder sheet.

6.4 **Allotment provision** – it was discussed that most houses had big gardens and there were no requests as a result of the parish plan.

6.5 **BT Payphone Kiosk** – BT is inviting you to adopt the kiosks at Beacon and Hillside for £1 each – the kiosk can then be used for other purposes, but the structure will be allowed to remain where it is. Applications by 19th December 2009. Agreed adoption is still not necessary.

7 **FINANCE**

7.1 **Receipts –** EDDC Precept September – March
£4000.00

7.2 **Cheque payments -** none
(Cheques for agreement).

Account balances - at 1/10/09 Paths Account £1235.65 (includes a £300 VAT loan) P3
balance £1044.30

Parish Account £6914.93

7.3 Additional signatories form for new co-op account for completion.

7.4 **EDDC Annual Meeting of Parish Councils** – 3rd November 2009 at 6.30pm (7pm meeting) please advise the clerk who will be attending and suggest any items for the agenda. No one to attend on this occasion.

7.5 **Devon Association of Parish Councils** - Member Councils in East Devon – a vacancy has arisen on the County Committee for a representative of an East Devon Council. If you are interested please contact the clerk to apply before the 30th October 2009. For information

7.6 **Power of Well-being** training. Agreed to ask Lesley Smith to come on the 12th November for an evening meeting and invite neighbouring parishes to share costs.

8 **CHAIRMANS DISCRETION**

8.1 Glass in notice board at Beacon is falling out, Mr Tucker was asked to replace the board with some urgency.

8.2 The Chairman has been contacted by a concerned member of the public who has reported that agricultural land next to Catkins is once again being treated as a domestic garden. Enforcement have been informed and will look into this matter.

8.2 Mrs Dalgety agreed to remain as the parish council representative for the village hall committee.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (The meeting to be closed before questions from the public). none

Dates for next meetings –

8pm Tuesday 3rd November 2009

Luppitt Village Hall

8pm Tuesday 1st December 2009

Luppitt Village Hall

This months useful information....

Asbestos Disposal

Asbestos is not classified as household waste and as such Devon County Council is not obliged to accept any asbestos for disposal. However, it is recognised that householders may need to dispose of small amounts of asbestos and as a result, a service is offered to provide householders with sites across Devon where they can deposit **small** quantities. A strict procedure has to be followed to allow householders to deposit asbestos at our nominated sites.

DCC will only accept:

cement bonded asbestos sheeting, pipes, guttering or flues;

asbestos produced by householders from domestic premises;

6 small bags or 6 sheets measuring 6' x 3' (or equivalent) per household in any 12 months;

asbestos sheeting/pipes/guttering which are less than 6' in length.

All of the above asbestos must be damped down, double wrapped in tough plastic and completely sealed.

The above asbestos must be pre-authorized to be accepted at a County Council Site.

If you wish to make an enquiry about whether your asbestos would be acceptable to take to one of our sites, or wish to make a booking to pre-authorise an asbestos disposal please use the [Online Asbestos Disposal Form](#) or alternatively telephone Waste Management at Devon County Council on 0845 155 1010.

Devon County Council reserves the right to restrict or withdraw this service at any time.

If you have any asbestos that does not meet the above criteria or exceeds the quantity limit you will have to arrange for collection by a suitably authorised waste contractor or deliver the asbestos directly to a suitably authorised private facility, Devon County Council will not accept it. You will have to pay for this service.