

Minutes of the Meeting of Bickleigh Parish Council which was held on Thursday 27th January at 7.30pm in the Woolwell Centre.

Open Forum

1 Member of the public was in attendance

The Chair of Woolwell in Bloom gave a detailed account of (and estimated costings for) plans for a new QEII Platinum Jubilee Memorial Garden opposite Ferndale Road. The garden will be centred around a bench reached by an accessible non-slip path and will contain sustainable planters, shrubs, trees and plants, bird and bat boxes and bug and bee hotels and a sensory section. Total cost is anticipated to be in the region of £4,000.

The target date for the official opening is 28th May and the group are seeking a resident who will be 70 this year to do the honours.

The native crab apple tree (Royalty) will be entered onto the Jubilee tree planting census and the whole garden entered into the Britain in Bloom Competition.

Woolwell In Bloom will maintain the garden.

BPC agreed to fund the bench and it was recommended that the group approach SHDC in the first instance for a grant and that BPC would work with the group to support them in securing any further funding.

The meeting convened.

Present: Councillors Carole Spencer (Chair)(CS), Paul Blight (PB), Wendy Haymes (WH), Paul Rhodes (PR) and Lynn Tamsett-White (LTW)

2022 01 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Jackie Taylor and Larry Taylor

In Attendance: Sally Smale (Parish Clerk), District Councillor Barrie Spencer (BS)

2022 02 Declarations of personal or pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and the nature of that interest.

Councillors Spencer and Haymes declared a pecuniary interest as employees of the Woolwell Centre.

2022 03 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 25th November 2021.

It was resolved to approve the minutes.

2022 04 Report from District Councillor Barrie Spencer

See attached report

2022 05 To raise any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

- a) Lighting along the path to the Scout Hut in Woolwell – CS shared the response from the Scouts and, due to the concerns regarding on-going running costs of the lighting, **it was resolved to purchase solar powered lights up to the value of the original quote.**
- b) Update regarding various work on Green Open Spaces in the parish. LTW detailed the range of hedge and tree trimming to date to tidy up the parishes Green Open Spaces

2022 06 Finance

a) The Receipts and Payments Reports and Bank Reconciliations for December 2021 were noted

b) The clerk presented the proposed budget for 2022-2023 (see attached) giving explanations for proposed expenditure.

c) A precept of £98,500 was set for 2022-23.

The Band D parish rate will be: £73.66 and this is an increase of £6.83 in comparison to 2021/22

It was noted that the precept is a pot of money protected for sole use by the parish council to fund services and activities which are of direct benefit to the residents of Bickleigh Parish.

d) Proposed by WH, seconded by LTW and all in favour that the following payments be approved:

| Date | Payee | Total | VAT | Net | Details |
|----------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 14/01/22 | Arborcure | £576.00 | £96.00 | £480.00 | Hedge Cutting Roborough Green |
| 11/01/22 | Cladglaze | £3,930.00 | | £3,930.00 | Fire door installation Woolwell Centre |
| 10/11/22 | EE | £24.79 | £4.13 | £20.66 | Monthly phone and broadband |
| 01/01/22 | Helen Nathanson | £10.00 | | £10.00 | New PC phone SIM only – 1p Mobile |
| 18/01/22 | Cutec (DD) | £82.80 | £13.80 | £69.00 | Cutec monthly email and website hosting |
| | TOTAL | £4,623.59 | £113.93 | £4,509.66 | |

2022 07 Woolwell Centre Working Group.

a) Roof repairs and replacement

Three quotes has been received for full replacement ranging from £32,500 - £50,000. An option had also been given to repair the damaged section. BPC has recently received advice that, due to public money spending regulations, the council is required to go out for tender on Contract Finder for a full roof replacement.

Due to the processes with contract finder and delays with the awarding of loans from the Public Works Loan Board, this will delay plans for a full roof replacement. Meantime any damage caused by leaking through the roof is not insured.

Proposed by CS, seconded by LTW and all in favour that work would only be done on the damaged section at this stage.

b) Lease agreement between SHDC and BPC

It was resolved to use Gill Akaster Solicitors

c) The working group will meet to consider future maintenance and improvement work

2022 08 Communications Working Group.

WH thanked LTW for her efforts to distribute the Roborough residents with the information leaflet regarding the replacement planting on the site.

2022 09 The appointment of Ms Sally Smale as the Parish Clerk starting on 5th January 2022 was noted.

2022 10 Planning

a) The following planning applications which can be viewed on the [SHDC website](#) were considered:

i) 2637/21/HHO 1 Leatside Roborough PL6 7BA
Householder application for new bay window, proposed rear extension and replacement existing slate wall / roof tiles

Support

ii) 3806/21/HHO 2 Spring Park Woolwell PL6 7SL
Householder application for single storey rear extension Application within consultation/publicity period

Support

b) The pre-planning application discussion regarding the proposed Tamar Valley Crematorium was noted.

Councillors welcomed the recent decision by SHDC to request that discussions have been held with parish councils prior to submitting a development application.

2022 11 Standing Item: Update on the Barwood planning applications 4185/19/OPA and 4181/19/OPA

BS had provided this during the public forum

2022 12 Standing Item: Update on the Neighbourhood Plan review

It was agreed that PB and the clerk would source a large scale map of the parish to begin work on this process

2022 13 To receive an update from the BPC representative for Roborough Recreation Hall.

As the Recreation Hall Committee continues to meet on the same night as the Council meeting, CS is unable to attend. CS read from the recent minutes outlining various plans for improvement.

2022 15 Date of the next meetings:

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| Thursday 24 th February | Wednesday 23 rd March | Thursday 28 th April |
| Tuesday 24 th May | Thursday 23 rd June | Thursday 28 th July |
| No meeting in August | Thursday 22 nd September | Thursday 27 th October |
| Thursday 24 th November | Thursday 22 nd December | |

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

Cllr Spencer, Chair