

# BICKLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Meeting of Bickleigh Parish Council which was held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Woolwell Centre.**

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**Present:** Councillors Wendy Haymes (Chair)(WH), Paul Blight (PB), Brian Hill (BH), Lindy Scott (LS), Jackie Taylor (JT), Larry Taylor (LT) and Lynn Tamsett-White (LTW)

**In Attendance:** Cllr John Hart (JH)(DCC), Sally Smale (Parish Clerk)

## **Open Forum**

No members of the public were present.

## **DCC Councillor Report (JH)**

JH apologised for not having attended a meeting for several months and delivered his report: Freeport / Freezone

- 1) Will bring up to £100 Million investment and up to 3500 jobs.
- 2) VAT privileges and business rates advantages in the freezone
- 3) Relations/negotiations between DCC, Plymouth & SHDC going well.
- 4) Submission/Business Case to Government imminent. (22nd April)
- 5) Involves 130 hectares of land at South Yard, Langage and Oceansgate.
- 6) It is important to demonstrate these are new jobs and not existing ones transferring in.
- 7) Funding - DCC £14.28m SHDC £4.62m Plymouth £10.61m
- 8) Plymouth will be the accountable body and SHDC will deal with the business rates

DEVOLUTION DEAL FOR DEVON PLYMOUTH & TORBAY.

See attached report.

**JH left the meeting at 7.51pm**

**2022 47 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Carole Spencer.**

**2022 48 Councillor Appointments**  
**It was agreed to carry this item to the May meeting**

**2022 49 Declarations of pecuniary and other interests**  
Councillor Haymes declared a pecuniary interest as an employee of the Woolwell Centre.

**2022 50 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022**  
**It was resolved to approve the minutes.**

**2022 51** No reports were received from District Councillors who had sent their apologies. JH delivered his report earlier.

**2022 52 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.**  
Platinum Jubilee – bench will be delivered within 2 weeks of 9<sup>th</sup> June. **Clerk to contact Woolwell in Bloom to confirm that date and discuss their plans for installation.**  
New noticeboard has been ordered. **LT and JT to arrange installation**  
Plymouth City Council bus shelters. **Clerk to contact JC Decaux and PCC for details of the schedule.**  
Speed camera – This has now been fixed and is installed in Bickleigh village.

**2022 53 Finance**

- a) The payments as listed in App 1 were approved and receipts in App. 2 noted  
**It was agreed that the clerk would request the rationale for the monthly rental charge for the office from The Woolwell Centre.**
- b) The bank reconciliation was noted
- c) **It was agreed to accept the quotation for the renewal of the insurance policy**
- d) It was agreed that the clerk would invite the Woolwell Crafters to the May meeting to give further details of their request for a grant of £450
- e) The national 2021-2022 annual pay rise for the clerk of 1.75% back-dated to 1st April 2021 for the previous clerk and 1<sup>st</sup> January for the current clerk was noted.

**2022 54 Bickleigh telephone box community library**

The request for the telephone box community library to be repaired and repainted was considered and **it was agreed further information and costings were needed. LT and JT to pursue.**

**2022 55 Woolwell Centre**

- a) **Quotes have been received for the professional management of a comprehensive maintenance project and these will be considered at the next meeting.**
- b) **A quote of £1680 + VAT for urgent plumbing work at the Centre was considered and it was agreed to move forward with this as a matter of urgency**

**2022 56 Planning**

- a) **There were no new planning decisions to consider.**
- b) **The following decisions made by SHDC were noted:**
  - i) **0655/22/PST** Plessey Semi Conductors Prior Approval Solar/Pv Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed installation of roof mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) equipment totalling 1,000 kWp on shallow pitched roof  
**Prior Approval Not required**
  - ii) **0061/22/HHO** 49 Skylark Rise Woolwell PL6 7SN Mr Carl Spooner Householder application for proposed alterations and extensions  
**Conditional Approval**
  - iii) **3486/21/FUL** 1 Old School House Cottage Bickleigh PL6 7AG Mr And Mrs Turner Subdivision of existing 3 bedroom dwelling to form two dwellings  
**DECISION: Conditional Approval**

**2022 57 Standing Item: Update on the Barwood planning applications 4185/19/OPA and 4181/19/OPA**

No update.

**2022 58 Neighbourhood Plan Standing Item:**

**The working group will meet on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

**2022 59 Roborough Recreation Hall.**

No update

**2022 60 It was agreed that the October meeting would take place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

**Meeting closed at 9.19pm**