

Crediton Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 2 October 2007

Present:	Councillors	Mr R Adams (Mr P Finnegan Miss J Harris Mr W Brown Mr R Wright Mr D Nation Mrs E Brookes He Mr S Baker Mr F Letch	Chairman Docking
Absent		Mr D Sansom	
In Attendance:		Mr M Ashley 2 Members of the	Meeting Clerk Press

32. To receive apologies

None.

33. Declarations of Interest

Code of Conduct	Councillor Nation Councillor Wright	As members of more than one authority, declared that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.
Prejudicial	Councillor Harris	Minute 37b (Planning Consultation)

34. Chairman's Announcements

None.

35. Approval of General Purposes Committee Minutes The Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 4 September 2007 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

36. Public Question Time

None.

GENERAL PURPOSES (items for discussion and determination)

37. Planning

Councillor Harris declared a Prejudicial Interest in Application 07/01760/FULL and left the chamber.

a) Planning Decisions.

Noted. Decisions notified by the planning authority are appended.

b) Planning Applications. Comments made in respect of planning applications considered at this meeting are appended. Councillor Harris returned to Chamber after Application 07/01760/FULL.

c) Planning Applications and Items for Determination week ending Tuesday 2 October 2007. None.

38. Allotments

a) Report On Current Situation.

The Clerk updated Members on the current letting situation of the allotments. Members noted that only one half plot remains to be let and that almost all rentals had been paid. No major issues were reported.

- *Beport on Boniface Allotment Association Meeting, 24 September 2007.* Councillor Letch reported to the Committee a summary of the main points of the Association Meeting. It was noted that the Association:
 - Wished to progress the plot numbering initiative.
 - Were in favour of erecting notice boards at the allotment sites.
 - Appreciated the attendance of Councillors at their meetings.
 - Wished to issue Association membership cards to gain a discount at a local retailer.

Councillor Wright further reported the progress of the project to provide free compost to Crediton residents from the District Councils composting recycling.

c) Tenants Issues.

None reported. It was noted that the Boniface Allotments Association had indicated that their committee would try to help resolve tenants' issues in the first instance before recourse to the Council.

39. Parish Lengthsman

a) The Review of Delivery of Parish Lengthsman Service.

The Review was received and noted. The Chairman highlighted the fact that all tasking must be routed through the Area Highway Management Team. The dates of the next allotted work period in Crediton were noted.

- *b)* Works required for Parish Lengthsman's visit, December 2007. Areas in need of attention were identified as:
 - Spruces Park weeds in the gutters.
 - A377 at Station Cross towards Exeter weeds in the gutters.
 - Willow Walk near the Sports Centre the leat alongside Willow Walk is choked with vegetation and litter.

It was also noted that the junction of Alexandra and Higher Roads suffered from exceedingly poor visibility from Alexandra Road Westward. It was noted that this was a Highway Authority matter and it was agreed to raise this issue with the Authority.

40. Big Litter Pick

Members expressed a desire to get involved with the Litter Pick. It was agreed to conduct the Pick at 6.00pm on Tuesday 23 October 2007. The decision on the location of the Pick was deferred to the next Town Council Meeting. The Clerk was instructed to organise fluorescent jackets and the litter collecting equipment.

GENERAL PURPOSES (items for discussion and recommendation)

41. Newcombes Meadow Lighting

Committee Members expressed concern at the poor levels of lighting in Newcombes Meadow with only 6 lights in the park, of which the one at the bottom of the steps down from Union Road does not appear to work. Enthusiasm was expressed for a solar powered light to be installed half way across the park, next to the path between Union Road and Belle Parade. It was agreed to investigate the cost of a solar powered light and Councillor Nation agreed to obtain a plan of the Meadow showing the current lighting. Members agreed to individually visit the area and familiarise themselves with the current lighting provision.

42. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 1. MDDC:- Leaflet "A Handy guide For Residents"
- 2. MDD CAB:- Annual Report 2006-07.
- 3. Home Start Mid Devon:- Annual Report 2007 & Notice of AGM 09 October 2007.
- 4. Unison:- Letter notifying of the existence of a trade dispute with regard to national pay and conditions negotiations.
- 5. MDDC:- Notification of the result of MDDC's Standards Committee with regard to the complaint against Councillor R Adams. *Future Agenda Item.*
- 6. MDDC:- Notification of the result of MDDC's Standards Committee with regard to the complaint against Councillor J Harris. *Future Agenda Item.*
- 7. MDDC:- Review of Polling Districts and Polling Stations 2007. *Future Agenda Item. Clerk to inform MDDC of delayed response.*
- DCC:- Notification of Road Closure Barnstaple Cross Junction 28 September 02 October 2007.
- 9. Mr Greg Martin:- Letter objecting to part of MDDC's Area Development Plan.
- 10. Black Rock Merrill Lynch: Statement of Distribution too 30 August 2007.
- 11. Mid Devon Transport Group Stakeholder Forum:- Notification of Meeting 31 October 2007.
- 12. Devon & Cornwall police Authority:- Letter Authority to webcast meetings.
- 13. Devon PCT-NHS:- Proposed NHS Foundation Trust Consultation response. <u>Future</u> <u>Agenda Item. Chief Executive to be invited to address Council.</u>
- 14. The Standards Board for England:- Town & Parish Standard Newsletter September 2007.
- 15. Black Rock Merrill Lynch:- Notification of amendments to the Scheme Particulars of the Fund.
- 16. MDDC:- Review of Corporate Plan & Survey Questionnaire. <u>Councillors to individually</u> <u>complete questionnaire.</u>
- 17. DCC:- Notification of road closure Landscore; 22 26 October 2007.
- 18. Judy Tucker:- e-mail Crediton Festival 2009 thanks to Council for donation.
- 19. Crediton Fairtrade Partnership:- Minutes of CFP Meeting 18 September 2007.
- 20. Councillor Adams:- e-mail suggestion for road markings at St Lawrence Green bus stop.
- 21. Angela Browning MP:- Letter query concerning Exeter City Council's bid for unitary Status.
- 22. Crediton Arts Centre:- Letter of thanks for support of Shakespeare In The Square.
- 23. Department for Business Enterprise & Regulatory Reform:- News Release Pay and leave entitlements.

BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD

43. Car Parking

A Member raised the issue of Car Parking in the town, (Future Agenda Item).

Meeting closed at 8.16pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date:

PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING 02 OCTOBER 2007

<u>Planning Decisions</u> – as notified by the Planning Authority:

Type - Application	Granted				
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
07/01516/FULL (26/00/07)	Hannon Homes Ltd C/O Hannon Young Broadmeadow Teignmouth TQ14 9AE	EJW Architects Baltic Wharf St Peters Quay Totnes	Landscore Service Reservoir Landscore Crediton Devon	Erection of 5 dwellings (Resubmission)	Mr Delwyn Matthews
Type - Application	Granted				
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
07/01615/LBC (26/00/09)	Mr A R Murray Meadowside Belle Parade Crediton EX17 2AA		Meadowside Belle Parade Crediton Devon EX17 2AA	Listed Building Consent for external and internal works	Mr Delwyn Matthews

Planning Applications

The Town Council considered the following applications:

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
07/01743/FULL (9/5/2007)	Mr J Peck 3 Creedy Vale Uni Down End Lords Meadow Crediton EX17 1HN	ts	Dyfed Steels Ltd Unit 2 Marsh Lane Lords Meadow Industrial Estate Crediton Devon EX17 1ES	Removal of condition (1) of planning consent 92/0285 to allow unrestricted class B2 use	Mr Keith Garside

Type - Application					
Z Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
Number 07/01753/FULL (7/26/2009)	Mr G R Lineker 117b High Street Crediton EX17 3LG		The Mews Deep Lane Crediton Devon EX17 2BY	Erection of dwelling	Mr Delwyn Matthews
OBJECTION - On t	he grounds of height of th	e proposed building	in relation to neighbo	uring occupants.	
Type - Application					
Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
07/01760/FULL (7/26/2009)	Mr S Reed C/o Mr W Porritt Bargains Farm Spreyton Crediton EX17 5AL		The Bungalow Charlotte Street Crediton Devon EX17 3BE	Erection of 2 dwellings following demolition of existing dwelling	Mr Delwyn Matthews
NO OBJECTION -					
Type - Application					
Z Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
Number 07/01824/FULL (7/26/2009)	M. Squire, Esq 22 Victoria Crescent Crediton Devon EX17 1DZ	Mr L G Playle Forge Newton St Cyres Exeter EX5 5BY	22 Victoria Crescent Crediton Devon EX17 1DZ	Erection of plant room	Mr Charles Bladon
APPROVED -					

Number	Applicant	Agent	Location	Proposal	Officer
07/01799/FULL (7/26/2009)	Milk Link Processing Milk Link Processing Ltd Church Lane Crediton Devon EX17 2AH	Will Gannon & Smith Ltd Uplands 81 Heavitree Road Exeter EX1 2LX	Milk Link Processing Ltd Church Lane Crediton Devon EX17 2AH	Relocation of tanks used for storage of cream	Mr Keith Garside
APPROVED -					