



Credition Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 8 June 2010

Present:	Councillors	Miss J Harris (Chairman) Mr F Letch Mrs A Hughes Mrs L Brookes-Hocking Mr R Wright
In Attendance:	Councillors	Mr R Adams
Absent	Councillor	Mr P Finnegan
	Clerk	Mr M Ashley
	Public	1(Allotment Assoc. Representative)
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AGENDA ITEMS

1. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

- Councillor J Harris was elected as Chairman of the General Purposes Committee for 2010-11.
- Councillor R Wright was elected as Vice-Chairman of the General Purposes Committee for 2010-11.

2. To receive apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Connell (health)

3. Declarations of Interest

Personal	Councillor Adams	Minute 12: Devon County Highways
Code of Conduct	Councillor Wright	As a member 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.

4. Public Question Time

None.

5. Chairman's & Clerk's Announcements

The Council Chairman reported that his public appearance at the Farmers' Market in the Square was much more effective than the Mayor's Surgeries, especially now the Police Beat Manager was unable to attend on Mondays.

The Committee Clerk reported on leave and staffing arrangements for the week and that the Parish Lengthsman's last day in the town would be the following day.

6. General Purposes Committee Minutes

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 11 May 2010 were received and approved as a correct record.

7. Planning

- 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.
- c) *Planning Applications/Items for Determination week ending 8 June 2010*
Comments made in respect of planning applications and items for determination considered at this meeting are appended in the Supplementary Planning List.
- d) *Mid Devon Allocations and Infrastructure Development Plan (DPD) Examination*
The Allocations and Infrastructure Development Plan Document, Consultation on Matters Arising at the examination, was received and noted. Councillors remarked how clearly the amendments made had been marked. It was further agreed to invite a District Council Planning Officer to the next Town Council meeting to discuss the implications of the amendments in the consultation document. However, members reiterated the Council's previous recommendation that the Valley Bye-pass route should be retained as an integral part of the LDF and also that no further major development takes place on the Creedy Corner, Peddlar's Pool side of town until suitable infrastructure is in place, specifically, a decent link road to the Creedy corner area.

8. Allotments

- a) *Clerk's Report*
The Assistant Town Clerk reported on current vacancies and the condition of several plots.
- b) *Exhibition Road Taps Replacement.*
The Clerk reported that the taps had been repaired or replaced as the second tap had failed. Members were informed that the invoice for the work had yet to be received.
- c) *The Boniface Allotment Association Minutes of 24 May 2010.*
The Minutes of the Boniface Allotment Association meeting of 24 May 2010 were not available, however the Clerk had been briefed on issues arising from the meeting & updated the Committee members. Members agreed to fund the purchase of mulch for the recently planted trees at the Barnfield site.
- d) *Matters raised by Tenants and Boniface Allotment Association*
The Allotment Association representative reported there were no significant issues beyond those already covered but they agreed to contact and liaise with the contractor altering the Barnfield entrance.

9. Property

- a) *Property Registration*
No further progress was reported as the member investigating this was not present.
- b) *Teen Shelter*
No further information was available. Deferred to next meeting.
Councillor Adams left the meeting
- c) *Scout Memorial Garden*
Councillor Wright gave a brief update indicating that quotations would be coming the next week and that the item needed to go on a future agenda.

10. Floral Crediton Working Group Minutes

- a) The minutes of the Floral Crediton Working Group meeting held 1 June 2010 were received and noted.
- b) The recommendations of the working group were approved as minuted. An initial budget of £150- was allocated to the removal of the tulips from the Town Square.

11. Mid Devon District Council - Draft Strategic Partnership, Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation Document

The Draft Strategic Partnership consultation document, "Sustainable Community Strategy" was received & noted. It was also noted that the document was being presented to the District Council's Executive on Thursday 10 June 2010. Members agreed that the section

on Public transport needed to include Market Towns, not just the rural areas, especially with ongoing edge of town developments left with poor or not useful bus scheduling. Members commended the District Council on the reduction of recyclable material now going into landfill and fully agreed with the District Council's aims in this area and the ongoing work that was reported to improve recycling rates in the district. It was however, reiterated that the local recycling centres at the supermarkets still accept a smaller range of recycling materials than other, similar sized supermarket sites in the area. It was also noted that cardboard, whilst being composted, was not actually being recycled and that the collection of plastic milk bottles was having an effect on the range of material collected. This item was requested as an agenda item for the Town Council with an officer invited from the District Council to attend.

SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

12. Devon County Council - Highways

It was reported that the County Council ward member had attended the site meeting of 2 June 2010 and would report to the Council on issues covered, including emergency road repairs. Item deferred to Town Council.

13. Correspondence Received and Items of Information

1. Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership – minutes and action plan from 20 May meeting
2. **Confidential** - MDDC/Clerk/Bookshop – exchange of emails on TIP – with details of current situation – agreement reached and progressing
3. Insurance broker/Clerk – communication on TC insurance – Clerk progressing
4. Courier – email details on recent D of E Awards in Exeter
5. DALC – copy of latest NALC e-bulletin
6. Devon Partnership NHS Trust – email details on Mental Health issues and local meetings
7. MDDC – invitation to attend Armed Forces Day at Tiverton on 26 June.
8. DCC – update following reported loose High Street inspection cover
9. Julia Wright Associates – details of member training and development courses
10. Mr CGB Bennetts/MDDC – Letters: Temporary Event Licence, Free Music Festival, 1 May 2010. (*Future agenda item*)
11. DCC – e-mail: Response to meeting request; dates available 29 June, 7 & 13 July 2010.
12. Mrs C Blakeney/Devon Air Ambulance Trust – Correspondence: Complaint concerning the Air Ambulance landing in the Town Square & initial response.
13. DALC – Minutes: Larger Council Sub Committee meeting of 3 June 2010.
14. Home-Start Mid Devon – Invitation: “Starting Young” Excellence Award celebration, Monday 28 June 2010.
15. Down St Mary Village Hall Committee – Letter: Thank you letter to Mayor for opening the Hog Roast and May Fair.

Information

1. CCD – June edition of Village Green
2. QECC – May newsletter
3. HSE – June bulletin covering working related stress and competency tools
4. SLCC – recent training notes from HR Advisor on bullying in workplace
5. IDeA – June bulletin offering guidance for officers and members on local council issues
6. Rural Services Network – June bulletin on parish issues

Business Brought Forward

14. Community Action Day

Councillor Wright reported that the Community Action day would be taking place the following day, starting at the Fire Station at 13:30.

15. Devon Maternity Units

Councillor Wright reported that the county's maternity units would have their titles changed to "Birthing Centres" and, further, that people from Crediton would now be expected to go to Okehampton, not Exeter & should be sent home on same day. This was requested as a future General Purposes Committee agenda item.

16. Community Service

Councillor Wright informed the Committee that offenders on the Community Service scheme can be requested by the Town Council for use on Council work.

17. Farmers' Market stall

Councillor Brookes-Hocking requested an agenda item on the Council's stall at the monthly Farmers Market. She reported that the current stall had only been a temporary measure and something easier to set up and more weather resistant was now needed.

18. Town Council Website

Councillor Brookes-Hocking requested a future agenda item on the Town Council's website and possible enhancements. The Clerk was reported that designer of the Council's website would be invited to attend the next Communications Working Group meeting.

19. Town Council Insurance

The meeting Clerk informed the Committee that the Town Clerk had intensively investigated insurance possible suppliers for local councils and established that the District Council's insurance scheme was not open to the Town Council. However, a meeting with the agent of the second insurance company would be taking place the following day to get another quotation, although it was not anticipated that substantial savings could be made.

20. Crediton Cemetery

Councillor Harris reported on the poor state of the Cemetery and requested that other members would check on the condition of maintenance. The item was requested as a future General Purposes Committee item.

The meeting closed at approximately 20:44.

Signed:

(J Harris, Chairman)

Date:

PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING 8 JUNE 2010

Planning Decisions – as notified by the Planning Authority:

DECISION	Type – Application Withdrawn Reference: 10/00471/FULL Full planning application Address: West Park Alexandra Road CREDITON Devon EX17 2DH Description: Erection of boundary wall, repair existing stone wall, planting of beech hedging on land between the two walls Web link: 10/00471/FULL
DECISION	Type – Granted Devon County Council Application Reference: HS/DCC/2998/2010 Listed Building consent, registered 18/02/2010 Address: CREDITON Youth Centre, East Street, CREDITON Devon EX17 3AX Description: Listed Building Consent to replace existing gas heating system with a radiator system with a central boiler. Web link: N/A
DECISION	Type – Granted Devon County Council Application Reference: JJ/DCC/2988/2010 To permit retention of existing modular classroom block 04 Address: Landscore Primary School, Threshers, CREDITON, EX17 3JH Web link: N/A

Planning Applications

APPLICATION

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00723/FULL** Full planning application, registered 20/05/2010

Address: 10 George Hill Crediton Devon EX17 2DT

Description: Erection of two storey extension following removal of garage

Web link: [10/00723/FULL](#)

No Objections -

APPLICATION

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00766/FULL** Full planning application, registered 21/05/2010

Address: 111 & 112 High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF

Description: Installation of new shop front

Web link: [10/00766/FULL](#)

Approved -

APPLICATION

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00769/LBC** Listed Building Consent, registered 21/05/2010

Address: 111 & 112 High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3LF

Description: Listed Building Consent for installation of new shop front and alterations including demolition of some internal walls, installation of 2 new windows to rear and demolition of rear wall

Web link: [10/00769/LBC](#)

Approved -

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00789/FULL** Full planning application, registered 20/05/2010

Address: 27 Spruce Park Crediton Devon EX17 3HH

Description: Erection of conservatory

Web link: [10/00789/FULL](#)

No Objections -

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00791/FULL** Full planning application, registered 24/05/2010

Address: St Marys Peoples Park Road Crediton Devon EX17 2DA

Description: Conversion of roof space with provision of rooflight and dormer (revised scheme)
(Town Council's previous decision: "No Objections" GP 2 Mar.'10)

Web link: [10/00791/FULL](#)

No Objections -

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00800/LBC** Listed Building Consent.

Address: Old Town Hall, High Street, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3LF

Description: Listed Building Consent for painted lettering on south and east elevations

Web link: [10/00800/LBC](#)

No Objections – But members would prefer that the front elevation lettering should match that of the side elevation in having capitalised initial letters and the addition of "Crediton" to "Museum".

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00803/ADVER** Advertising Consent.

Address: Old Town Hall, High Street, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3LF

Description: Advertisement Consent to display painted lettering on south and east elevations

Web link: [10/00803/ADVER](#)

No Objections – But members would prefer that the front elevation lettering should match that of the side elevation in having capitalised initial letters and the addition of “Crediton” to “Museum”.

Type – Application

Reference: **10/00822/FULL** Full Application.

Address: S W Galvanizers Ltd, Marsh End, Lords Meadow Industrial Estate, Crediton, Devon, EX17 1DN

Description: Erection of a light industrial storage building

Web link: [10/00822/FULL](#)

Approved -

**SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING 8 JUNE
2010**

Planning Decisions – as notified by the Planning Authority:

DECISION	Type – Granted	Devon County Council Application
	Reference:	JJ/DCC/2988/2010 To permit retention of existing modular classroom block 04
	Address:	Landscore Primary School, Threshers, CREDITON, EX17 3JH
	NB:	<i>Amended Decision Notice</i>

DECISION	Type – No Objection	
	Reference:	10/00641/CAT Conservation Area consent, Trees
	Proposal:	Notification of intention to fell 1 Plum tree within a Conservation Area
	Address:	Oak House Jockey Hill CREDITON Devon EX17 1DP
	Web link:	10/00641/CAT

Planning Applications

APPLICATION	Type – Application	
	Reference:	10/00845/CAT Conservation Area consent, Trees, registered 03/06/2010
	Address:	The Rectory, Church St. CREDITON, EX17 2AQ
	Description:	Notification to fell 1 Ash tree within a Conservation Area.
	Web link:	10/00845/CAT
	No Objections -	