

Crediton Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 27 April 2010

Present: Councillors Mr F Letch (Council Chairman)

Miss J Harris Mr W Brown

Mrs L Brookes-Hocking

Mr B Wright

Mr N Way (Part Meeting)
Mr D Nation (Part Meeting)

Mrs A Hughes Mr P Finnegan Mr R Adams

In Attendance:

Clerk Mr M Ashley

Press 1 Public 2

MDDC Commercial Services Manager

AGENDA ITEMS

267. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Mr J Downes (personal) and Mr T Connell (medical).

268. Declarations of Interest

Personal	Councillor Brookes-Hocking	Minute 272b: Crediton Food Festival
Prejudicial	Councillor Adams	Minute 282: On-Street Parking
Personal	Councillor Nation	Minute 276b: Planning Application 10/00605/FULL
Prejudicial	Councillor Nation	Minute 2768a: Finger Posts
Code of Conduct	Councillors Wright, Way, & Nation	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.

269. Presentation – On-Street Parking – Commercial Services Manager, MDDC

The District Council's officer responsible for on-street parking in Crediton gave a presentation to the Council. Topics covered included parking on pavements, residents disabled bays in residential areas, parking enforcement and enforcement officers' roles and future plans of the County and District Councils.

270. Public Question Time

A member of the public asked for the Council's view on the resurfacing of Pounds Hill with regard to the adequacy of notification, the contactability of County Council and

contractors and the financial necessity of the resurfacing work. Members noted that this work had been delayed by the adverse winter weather earlier in the year. The Chairman agreed to write to the County Council requesting clarification of the issues.

271. Chairman's & Clerk's Announcements

The Chairman reminded members of the forthcoming Mayor's Reception and the RSVP deadline of Friday 30 April 2010.

272. Finance Brought Fwd. by agreement.

Councillors agreed to bring forward this item as one of the trustees of the Arts Centre was present at the meeting. Councillor Brown left the meting during the debate on this item.

a) Crediton Arts Centre

The Trustee of the centre present gave a brief presentation on the Arts Centre and it's funding. Members agreed to make a donation towards the Arts Centre running costs of £500- this year from FY2009-2010 underspent donation allocation. It was further agreed that a regular, annual donation should be considered at the next annual budget round.

b) Crediton Arts Centre - Food Festival

Members considered that the food festival entertainment, for which the request was being made, was a suitable project to make a Council donation to. It was agreed to make a donation of £150- from FY2009-2010 the youth donations allocation, (currently unspent), and £150- from this year's ad-hoc donation allocation, for a total of £300-.

273. Town Council Minutes

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 16 March 2010 were received and approved as a correct record.

274. Matters Arising

None

275. General Purposes Committee Minutes

- a) The minutes of the General Purposes Committee of 6 April 2010 were received and noted.
- b) The recommendations of general Purposes Committee of 2 March 2010 were approved.

276. Planning http://planning.middevon.gov.uk/publicaccess/tdc/tdc home.aspx

a) Planning Decisions

Noted.

b) Planning Applications

Comments made in respect of planning applications considered at this meeting are appended.

Councillor Nation declared a personal interest in application 10/00605/FULL

c) Planning Applications/Items for Determination week ending 27 April 2009 None.

277. Finance

a) Schedule of Accounts

The April Schedule of accounts, numbers 3076 to 3091 totalling £15,850.83, was approved.

b) Insurance Quotation

Councillors requested that the quotation is reviewed and it was suggested that the District Council be approached as they had received a favourable quotation recently on their insurance policy.

c) Tourist Information Point Donation Request

Members agreed that a donation would not be appropriate without the funding details being available from the District Council. It was agreed to defer this item and delegate it to May's General Purposes Committee.

d) Bandstand Marathon Donation Request

Councillors agreed that the Superact does not fit the Council's criteria for making a

donation as a nationwide organisation. It was, however, noted that if the Town Band wished to make an application for this event it would be considered by the Council.

278. Property

a) Fingerposts

This item was deferred to May's General Purposes Committee.

b) Teen Shelter

There was no further information on this item and it was agreed to defer it. It was, however, noted that the Tesco Community Champion had changed yet again.

279. Mid Devon District Council Matters

a) Local Parish Council Charter

The draft Charter between Mid Devon District Council and the Town & Parish Councils in Mid Devon was received & noted.

280. Devon County Council Matters

a) Four mills Lane Zoning

Councillors wondered what the rationale behind figures for the number and spacing of the posts & signs was. It was agreed to write to the Highways Authority to request the justification for this.

b) Town bus Service

This item was deferred as the Councillor requesting the item was not present.

281. Councillor Reports

- a) Councillor Nation reported attending the Local Development Framework inspectors meeting. The abandonment of the Valley Route for a by-pass by the County Council, the proposed single site community school and the rugby clubs potential relocation were noted.
- b) Councillor Hughes reported on the impressive provision of services by the Children's Centre, although a rumoured cut in funding to the Homestart project was also noted. The County Council Ward member was asked to find out more.

SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

282. Parking

There were no issues raised by the presentation.

283. Annual Town Meeting

The chairman reported on the Annual Town Meeting. It was noted that numbers of the public were down on last year, but Councillors were not surprised as there were no large or controversial looming issues. It was questioned as to whether a two day exhibition was needed and the Council felt that one day would probably be sufficient, dependant upon extant issues. It was noted that the venue was suitable for both the exhibition and the meeting, although parking was an issue.

The Chairman thanked those members who had worked very hard at preparing and presenting the exhibition.

284. CCTV

This item was deferred to Part 2.

285. Admin & Personnel

This item was deferred to Part 2.

286. Correspondence Received

Correspondence

- 1. May Gurney email on behalf of SW Water notice of road closure Belle Parade 4 to 7 May inclusive.
- 2. MDDC notes of the MDDC Annual Meeting of Local Council Clerks.
- 3. NPFA notice of AGM on 16 June at Kenilworth.
- 4. MDDC letter on publication of election notices.

- 5. MDDC Summons and Agenda for Council meeting on 21 April.
- 6. SLCC Regional Conference Plymouth 18 May University of Gloucestershire summer seminar 8 to 9 July, Cheltenham.
- 7. Mr B Threlfall letter of thanks for resolution of problem at FP7.
- 8. SLCC details of induction training course for clerks and councillors 25 May and 29 June.
- 9. MDDC minutes of Scrutiny Committee minutes for 12 April.
- 10. HM Revenue & Customs Remittance Advice; VAT Rebate FY08-09.
- 11. DALC e-mail: DALC Annual Report members contributions.
- 12. North Tawton Town Council Letter: High Street Christmas Trees (Future Agenda Item)
- 13. DCC Letter: Local Government Pension Scheme 2010 Valuation
- 14. MDDC Summons & Agenda: Annual Council Meeting; 5 May 2010.

Information

- 1. Children's Centre Newsletter Spring 2010.
- 2. Junk Mail Issue 4.
- 3. Involve Newsletter April 2010.
- 4. Komplan Equipment Brochure Parks and Playground Equipment Devon Playing Fields Association Newsletter: Spring 2010.

Business Brought Forward

287. Community Action Day

It was requested that Councillor contact details and the Council's logo are sent to Julia Ryder for this event on June 9 2010.

288. Property Holdings and Registration

It was requested that the Council's property land registration should be progressed urgently.

PART TWO ITEMS

In view of the sensitive and confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw.

289. CCTV

The minutes of Crediton Multi-Agency CCTV Group were received & noted. It was also noted that the responsible office for CCTV at Mid Devon District Council is also changing in the near future.

290. Administration and Personnel

The Chairman updated Councillors on the practices of other Parish Councils and councillors agreed that minutes should be completed and distributed by the end of the Thursday following a meeting.

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The meeting closed at approximately 21:49.	
Signed:	(F Letch, Chairman)
Date:	

PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR CREDITON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 27 APRIL 2010

Planning Decisions – as notified by the Planning Authority:

Type - No Objections

Reference: 10/00248/CAT

Address: Penton House, Penton Lane, Crediton

Description: Notification of intention to carry out works to various trees and to fell 1 Western Red Cedar, 1 Black Mulberry & 1

Nymans Eucryhia tree within a Conservation Area.

Web link: <u>10/00248/CAT</u>

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Type – Application Granted

Reference: 10/00191/CLP CLP for PROPOSED Use or Operation

Address: 6 Meadow Gardens Crediton Devon EX17 1EJ

Description: Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed erection of conservatory

Web link: <u>10/00191/CLP</u>

Type – Application Granted

Reference: 10/00266/FULL

Address: 37 Creedy Road Crediton Devon EX17 1EW

Description: Erection of extensions

Web link: <u>10/00266/FULL</u>

Type - Details Pursuant Discharged On Application

Reference: 09/01742/LBC

Address: 6 Park Street Crediton Devon EX17 3HL

Description: Listed Building Consent for internal and external alterations

Web link: 09/01742/LBC

Type - Application Granted

Reference: 10/00232/FULL

Address: 14 Walnut Drive Crediton Devon EX17 1JB

Description: Erection of two-storey extension and formation of additional patio/hard standing area

Web link: 10/00232/FULL

Planning Applications

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APPLICATION

Type - Application

Reference: 10/00471/FULL Full planning application, registered 29/03/2010

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: <u>10/00471/FULL</u>

Objection – Members felt the proposed beech hedge was too severe & linear a structure for the location on the edge of the

park. It was suggested a softer, more rural planting scheme, perhaps as suggested by arboricultralist, be

considered.

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Type - Application

Reference: 10/00493/FULL Full planning application, registered 06/04/2010

Address: 9 Deep Lane Crediton Devon EX17 2BX

Description: Construction of access ramp, relocation of retaining wall and erection of shed and railings

Web link: <u>10/00493/FULL</u>

Objection - Development would destroy character of street scene & the retaining stone wall along roadside. Members were

also concerned as to the possible impact on street parking

Type – Application

Reference: 10/00486/CAT

Address: Penton House, Old Tiverton Road, Crediton

Description: Notification of intention to remove 5 branches from Ash tree within a Conservation Area

Web link: N/A

No Objections – Providing the arboriculturists report considers the work necessary.

Type - Application

Reference: 10/00583/ADVERT Consent to Display an Advertisement, registered 16/04/2010

Address: Crediton Library Belle Parade Crediton Devon EX17 2AA

Description: Advertisement Consent to display 1 non illuminated fascia sign

Web link: 10/00583/ADVERT

No Objections -

APPLICATION

Type – Application

Reference: 10/00605/FULL Full planning application, registered 20/04/2010

Address: Redlands 16 George Hill Crediton Devon EX17 2DT

Description: Erection of home office, raise garage roof and replace roof, terracing of garden with timber edging

Web link: <u>10/00605/FULL</u>

No Objections -