

Frithestock Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting 4th May 2010 – 8.00pm – Frithestock Village Hall
(Ref: 2010/MAY)

Present:

*	Mr. M Poole (Chairman)	*	Mr. H Pettifer
*	Mr. R Hunkin (Vice-Chairman)		Mrs. J Pomeroy
*	Mr. M Baker		Mr. C Ward
*	Mr. A Heard	*	Mrs. A Snell(Clerk)

(* denotes present at meeting)

In attendance:, Mr J Vickory

MINUTES

1. Welcome – The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Apologies – were received from Mr C Ward, Mrs J Pomeroy, Mr S Robinson, Mr P Pennington and PCSO Baker.
3. Election of Officers. It was proposed by Mr R Hunkin and seconded by Mr A Heard for Mr M Poole to be chairman, all in agreement; Mr Poole was duly elected as chairman for the forthcoming year. Mr M Poole proposed Mr R Hunkin as Vice chairman, all in agreement, Mr Hunkin was duly elected as vice chairman for the forthcoming year
4. Crime report, a report was relayed to the meeting that in the past 60 days there have been seven phone calls logged to the Police Station, 5 transport related, 1 anti social behaviour and 1 crime related. The Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter was relayed to the meeting this can now be found with links from the website.
5. Public Participation.
Mr I Sorenson from DCC has reported to councillors that he has spoken to one of the planning officers from TDC who is unaware of any proposals in Frithestockstone for either social or affordable housing so none is planned.
6. Minutes of Meeting, Tuesday 3rd March 2010 – these were unanimously approved and signed as true.
7. Matters Arising from previous minutes
 - 7.1. Pavement petition to village hall (2009/MAR 6.4) – This was discussed, if a pavement was built it would push the traffic further out in to the centre of the road, which would inevitably mean the road would have to be widened, this is a matter for highways. A discussion took place regarding a pavement in Hele Lane to the playing field, one of the houses does protrude where a footpath would be situated but Mr Poole is to investigate.
 - 7.2. Pump and bench (2009 May 6.2.2) is still ongoing.
 - 7.3. Bus shelter (2009 Nov 7.13) Quotes have been obtained as a guideline but the point was highlighted as to whether the shelter has to be impact proof as in if a bus crashes into it the people inside would be protected. The next step is to put in a pre planning application to determine if planning is required etc, Mr M Baker and Mr H Pettifer have kindly agreed to undertake this. The owners of the ground are to be updated.
 - 7.4. Hedge trimming update (2009 Nov 10) no progress,so this is to be put on the agenda in July as at present we are out of the time allowed for cutting hedges.
 - 7.5. Update on speeding issues (2010 Jan 4) No response has been received from the Annual Parish meeting, so Mr Newcombe , PC Rowlands and PCSO Baker are to be asked to the meeting in July to update the Parish council on the progress made. Speed cameras have been put up in the village and a greater police presence has been seen. A further meeting is requested with Mr Newcombe and the police.
 - 7.6. CPRE Best kept village competition (2010 Mar 7.12) The posters have been put up, it was decided for councillors to have a tidy up this was arranged for Monday the 10th May meeting at the Village Green at 7.30pm.

7.7. Highway issues (2010 Jan 4) the two scheduled Lengthsmen’s visits for the forthcoming year are during the week commencing the 9th August and the week commencing the 28th February. The drains between Frithelstockstone and Old Pound were reported as urgently needing unblocking; this will be reported to highways.

8. Correspondence

- 8.1 The Torridge View was distributed
- 8.2 Great Torrington Town council response to the Core Strategy Development Plan is to be circulated to councillors.
- 8.3 Minutes of Torrington Local Community Partnership meeting held on the 25.2.10 were available.
- 8.4 Letters have been received from the Energy Saving Trust.
- 8.5 An Audit commission letter stating that Mr W Rickard is the appointed external auditor.
- 8.6 The Draft Gypsy and Travellers Allocation Policy is available for comment
- 8.7 Great Torrington School plus 16 education provision, the consultation is on the 5th May.
- 8.8 A letter has been received regarding a proposed offshore wind energy development in Bristol Channel, it was agreed to respond to this letter recommending it to go ahead. Proposed by Mr M Baker seconded by Mr A Heard.
- 8.9 A quarterly newsletter has been received from the Ambulance Service.
- 8.10 A poster and leaflets has been received from DCC “making work pay” the poster will be put up.

9. Finance

- 9.1 Balances at 31st March 2010
 - 9.1.1 Account 1 – £186.86 Account 2 – 961.97 .The precept request for £1425 has been received with a £75 deduction for the DALC annual subscription.
 - 9.1.2 Agree and sign the following cheques:

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- 9.2 The Audit Commission form has been received
- 9.3 The Financial report for year end March 2010 was agreed at the APM
- 9.4 It was agreed to ask Mr Adrian Green to be the Internal Auditor

10. Planning

		PC Recommendations		TDC
	1/0062/2010	The Old Post Office, garage		Passed
	1/0166/2010/full	4 Meadowstone Close, flue		Passed
	1/0219/2010/full	3 Church Lane, conservatory		Passed

11. Items brought forward at the chairman’s discretion for information only. The chairman is to confirm that the financial arrangements with the church and cemetery regarding the grant paid by the Parish council are in order.

12. Date of next meeting – **Tuesday, 6th July – 8.00pm.**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Signed as true Date

(Chairman)

**Forthcoming Meetings: September 7th Parish Council Meeting
November 2nd**