



Swimbridge Parish Council

**MEETING OF SWIMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL  
TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2017 at 7.30 PM SWIMBRIDGE JUBILEE HALL  
MINUTES**

**Public Session**

**David Netherway** would like to thank everyone who supported Swimbridge in the Bags of Help scheme. £1000 was awarded which will be shared among the community initiatives outlined in the application. The Green Team will meet this Saturday.

**John Hayes** asked if there had been any feedback from either Chittlehampton Parish Council or residents who had been transferred to their Parish in the boundary changes. The Clerk knows 2 families and one parish councillor, she will ask them for their thoughts on the outcome.

**Mrs O'Hanlon** spoke about the Tree Beech approval – report from her attached.

**Rev Shaun O'Rourke** asked the Parish Council to explain why they had cashed in the shares in Roberts Metal Packaging which actually belonged to the Parochial Church Council. Cllr Dodd explained that the fault lay directly in the hands of Roberts Metal Packaging who when offering the shares for sale had mistakenly concluded the designation 'Swimbridge PCC' in their records meant Swimbridge Parish Council and addressed the share sale offer to the clerk of the Council. Following subsequent communications the Company convinced the Parish Council that they were indeed the rightful owners of the shares. The church members were extremely unhappy and did not accept this explanation. It was agreed that the funds received by the Parish Council will be refunded to the Church Council.

**Guest Speakers**

**Cllr Edgell** – The consultation on the improvements to the link road has ended and the information is now being assimilated so that an application can be made for funding for the works identified.

**Cllr Luggar** – the Local Plan should be confirmed later this year.

The new waste and recycling scheme is up and running, but there are a few problems to be ironed out.

The Boundary Commission are consulting on the plan to reduce the number of councillors.

The Archipark Garages are definitely owned by North Devon Homes.

Rustic Cottage – some work has been carried out, and it may be up for sale shortly.

**2017.56 Apologies and attendance** – apologies received from Cllrs Wadsworth, Newnham, Knill and District Cllr Lane. In attendance Cllrs Dodd, Skinner and Morrish, District Cllr Luggar and County Cllr Edgell.

**2017.57 Declarations of Interest** - none

**2017.58 Minutes of previous meeting**  
These were agreed and signed

- 2017.59 Correspondence**
1. David Netherway – Tesco Bags of Help grant. £1000 has been received. Mr Netherway has outlined a scheme for allocation of the funds. All Councillors agreed that these were acceptable.
  2. Devon Rural Housing Partnership - noted
  3. Boundary Commission - noted
  4. Darren Johnson – email received enquiring about the ownership of the old BT telephone box outside his property. Cllr Dodd has referred him to British Telecom.
- 2017.60 Council Admin – there is some updating to be carried out on these items.**
1. Standing Orders – will be reviewed at a later meeting
  2. Asset Register – next meeting
  3. Register of Business Interests – new Registers given to those Cllrs present,
- 2017.54 Committee Reports**
- 1. Planning**
- 63417: Erection of detached garage. amendment to application 62380 at Whitestacks Road to Bydown Swimbridge.
- 63444: extension to dwelling at Berry Farm Berry Lane Gunn
- 63478: prior approval for change of use from agricultural building to two dwellings at barn at Welcombe Farm
- Site visits to be made where applicable
- Approved Application** : 62382 expansion of enterprise park (amended scheme details & plans) at tree beech rural enterprise park Gunn
- Approved Application** : 63258 Listed building application in respect of refurbishment of toilets & replacement of metal entrance gate with timber gate at Swimbridge Primary school.
- Retrospective application at 14 Oakdale Avenue, Swimbridge.
- 2. Finance** – balances reported :
- Current a/c £5512.77
- Deposit a/c £11254.64
- Glebe Field a/c £31906.30
- 3. Community Engagement/Glebe Field** – nothing to report
- 2017.55 Payments for approval :**
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| Phillip Price Surveyors | £900.00 |
| Swimbridge School       | £147.00 |
| Jubilee Hall            | £140.00 |
| Parish Council Websites | £569.00 |
| A&M Contractors         | £420.00 |
| Clerks Salary           | £160.72 |
| J J Bins                | £34.66  |
- All payments agreed
- 2017.56 Matters for further discussion**