

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF BRIXTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE
COMMUNITY HALL ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 6th 2012 AT 8.30pm
A short meeting for urgent business followed the Parish Annual Meeting at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllr Hitchins * Cllr White *
 Cllr Wills * Cllr Murch *
 Cllr Martin @ Cllr Cane *
 Cllr Gray * Cllr Jessop *
 Cllr Oates @
 * Denotes attendance @ Denotes absence

Also attending: Members of the public 2
 County Councillor 0
 District Councillor 1
 Police 0

12.112 APOLOGIES

Apologies from Cllrs Hart, Oates and Martin.

12.113 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Cane declared a personal interest in all Planning Matters as he is a member of the SHDC Development Committee. He will not take part in any discussion or voting on planning issues. Cllr Cane declared an interest in the local composting scheme as land at Venn Farm is the composting site.

12.114 MINUTES OF PARISH MEETINGS

Minutes of the monthly meeting on May 2nd were proposed as correct by Cllr Wills and seconded by Cllr Cane. Approved with one abstention.

12.115 LOCAL ISSUES

Sherford.

Clerk Cllr Hitchins reported that the exhibition by Redtree in the Community Hall, Brixton would be on Monday September 3rd from 3.30. til 8.30 pm. The Clerk to notify the 3 interested Plymouth communities and also invite Yealmpton and Wembury residents.

Active Village opportunities.

Hitchins The Clerk expressed concern about the funding of this activity. Cllr Hitchins to send the £600 raised from scheme users to the Clerk

Jubilee Celebrations and Olympic Torch day

Whilst this was covered in the Annual Meeting introduction, the success of both events also needs to be recorded in the monthly council minutes. Cllr Hitchins stated that Brixton had enjoyed a fantastic two weeks of real “community spirit” wrapped into a lot of fun for all participants for both the Torch Relay and the Diamond Jubilee. The village decorations were just amazing and the effort well worth the result - also noticed by the BBC cameras.

Cllr Hitchins wished her thanks and those of the Council to be recorded to all volunteers. Whilst those involved were very many, the Chairman cited three extraordinary inputs from Ellie Landracombe, Steven Cane and Debbie White.

Local composting.

Cllr White asked that the ‘start up’ grant for materials from BPC be increased to

£276.50. This was proposed by Cllr Gray, seconded by Cllr Wills and passed with 3 votes and 1 abstention. The Fordbrook site is working well and the Saturday morning (10-12) opening at Venn Farm is becoming more popular.

Grass Cutting

Cane The grass corner on Red Lion Hill has been identified as belonging to DCC. In future it will be cut by SHDC as part of their DCC contract. Cllr Cane will get it cut at once to tidy this area.

Traffic Management Plan

All Cllrs The Chairman reminded councillors that a working group of councillors and parishioners needs to be set up to work on this emotive subject highlighted in the Parish Plan. A discussion and group adoption will take place in the "Open Forum" on July 4th.

12.116 PLANNING MATTERS

Application 1049 was for the removal of an occupancy condition of an earlier application. This was discussed and proposed by Cllr Wills, seconded by Cllr Gray for acceptance and approved with 1 abstentions.

Martin

Application 1190 will be considered by the sub committee.

12.117 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) The tabled expenditure of £1817.65 for May was approved after proposal by Cllr Wills and seconded by Cllr Jessop.

b) The current cost of the Victorian lamp refurbishment was £800 split between BPC, PCC and Feoffee Trust. An excellent memorial for the Queens Jubilee.

**Gray
Hitchins
Clerk**

c) Funds of £276.50 were approved for the start up of the composting scheme.

d) Jubilee bills to be sent to the Clerk

e) Cllr Hutchins to send Active Devon money to the Clerk

f) The Clerk was asked to speak to John Hart re 'village clean up' funding.

g) The Clerk advised that the Annual Accounts for 2011/12 had now been audited by the internal auditor and needed Council approval prior to going to the Audit Commission. These are available for inspection. Cllr Wills proposed and Cllr Cane seconded both the acceptance of the Accounts and the Governance Statement. Motion passed by 6 votes with 1 abstention from the new councillor.

Clerk

12.117 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Monthly Council Meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 4th 2012 at 7.30 in the Community.

The Open Forum first item will be to discuss the formation of the Working group for "Traffic Management" within the village.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.37pm