

# *Goodleigh Parish Council*

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 at 6:30pm at Goodleigh Village Hall

**Present:** Cllrs S Clarke, Mrs C Karniewicz, Dr S Ley, Mrs J Norris and N Thorne.

**In Attendance:** 4 members of the public, Cllr M Prowse (NDC), Cllr Mrs A Davis (DCC), Parish Clerk.

In the absence of the chairman, Cllr Clarke took the Chair.

## **140. Items from the public**

It was noted that the agenda was not on the website. Clerk to make enquiries.

## **141. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A Seaford and R Gulwell.

## **142. Approval of Minutes of meeting held 3 January 2023**

Min. 129.1. It was agreed to remove the reference to first floor windows from the council's objection to the planning application.

The amended Minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

## **143. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

It was reported that planning application 76384 complied with current planning policy and that Highways had no objection regarding the provision of off street parking. The planning department therefore had no reason to refuse planning consent.

## **144. Reports**

### **1. District Councillor**

NDC was in the process of agreeing a budget for the next financial year, with an increase of 2.99% being recommended.

New toilets were being opened in the Pannier Market. No decision had yet been made to the future of the toilets in the cattle market car park, which was suffering badly with anti-social behaviour.

An annual increase of £10 had been agreed for emptying green wheelie bins of garden waste.

Work had started in modernising the Pannier Market, which would still maintain its existing appearance.

A planning application for an entrance in Alexandra Road to the Bear St/Queen St car park was due to be submitted.

The new leisure centre was proving to be a great success, and worth a visit.

### **2. County Councillor**

#### **A399 closure..Again.**

The local member for the Brayford area this morning sent be the notice below therefore apologies for the short notice.

Please see below about another daytime closure (**9.30 -3.30pm** thankfully we have been listened to) **Wednesday and Thursday this week**, on the A399.

Any enquires please contact Euroforest who are responsible for the closure; 01626 835020

#### **£2 Bus fare until end of March**

Bus passengers in Devon can take advantage of a cap on single bus fares as part of the Department for Transport's new fares initiative, through the Government's Help for Households campaign.

Bus users will pay no more than £2 for a single journey when boarding the bus anytime in January, February and March.

With people up and down the country facing the impacts of the cost-of-living crisis, many can save money whilst choosing a more sustainable method of transport. A recent report by Stagecoach found that motorists replacing some journeys by bus and active travel could save consumers up to £6,000 a year. In addition, the report found that having the right measures in place to encourage people to make the switch, including cheaper fares, could help remove one billion miles of car journeys each week and cut CO2 by nearly 400,000 tonnes per week.

Why not try out the bus, for £4 return a day out in Barnstaple would be bargain, or catch the bus to the railway station in Barnstaple and have a day out, it is a lovey trip to Okehampton  
For more information on the £2 singles fares scheme, terms and conditions and exclusions, visit the Travel Devon website.

Reminder of how to report a Highway issue;  
Report a problem - Roads and transport (devon.gov.uk)  
0345 155 1004

**145. Planning**

**1. Applications:**

76607 Outline application for erection of two dwellings (all matters reserved except access) (Renewal of planning permission 66208) at Land to rear of Chestnut View Goodleigh Road Barnstaple

It was agreed to recommend approval.

**146. Coronation Celebration**

The Church was willing to arrange an event similar to the Jubilee Celebration, working with the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee.  
Councillors were in agreement with the council being involved.

**147. Correspondence Received**

- 1. NDC – Code of Conduct training for councillors on 5 June. Noted.
- 2. Playsafety – Notice of inspection during March, at a cost of £75.00. Noted.
- 3. Notification of Upgrade of Radio Base Station. Noted.
- 4. DALC Newsletter. Noted.

**148. Surface Water/Drains/Highways**

A sunken drain was reported on Waytown corner, together with potholes on Goodleigh Straight. These were reported on the DCC website.

**149. Matters from the Chairman**

- 1. **Road Salt.** Cllr Thorne reported that the supply of bags of salt had been received. He was willing to deliver these to suitable locations in the parish. Item to be posted on facebook to identify suitable points.
- 2. Community Speedwatch. It was noted that someone was needed to co-ordinate the scheme.

**150. Finance**

<b>1. Receipt</b>	VAT reclaim	£792.59
<b>2. Payments</b>		
	ND Council – emptying dog bins	£117.00
	Goodleigh Village Hall – hire	£ 90.00
	Clerk’s Salary & Expenses	£ 67.32
	HMRC	£ 16.40

The four accounts were approved for payment.

**151. Items for the next Agenda:**

Coronation Celebration; Dog Bins; Community Speedwatch.

**152. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7 March 2023**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....