

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO AMMENDMENT

LYDFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Held in The Nicholls Hall
Tuesday 20th December 2005

126-2005 Present:

Mrs L Cole: Mrs K Boyd (Vice-Chairman): Mrs S Holland: Mr S Powne
(Chairman): Mrs L Ellicott - Mr P Fletcher
Mr DG Evans (Clerk)

Parishioners in attendance:

One member of the public was present plus - Cllr A Hosking DCC - Cllr R
Williamson WDBC – P Glanville DNPA

127-2005 Apologies for absence:

Mrs P Martyn - PC K Reed

128-2005 Questions from the floor:

None raised

129-2005 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting:

129.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 15th November were signed as a true
and accurate record.

130-2005 To receive report from the Police:

Not present

131-2005 To receive report from DNP Ranger

131.1 Paul Glanville issued his direct contact telephone number to members.
The Chairman expressed concern about the height and extent of Gorse on
Highdown. Mr Glanville explained that this was the responsibility of the
commoners under the existing ESA agreement that is in place. The question of
burning was raised and the clerk detailed the plans in place with the Forest of
Dartmoor ESA Trustees to have controlled burns and the cutting of fire
breaks. The Chairman also expressed concern regarding the bridle lane by
Bolts House and the misuse of it by owners of 4x4 vehicles since it was
designated as a BOAT and sought the view of DNP on this whole issue. Paul
explained that whilst this lane was just outside of the Park work has been
carried out on it under delegated powers and DNP share the concerns of the
members. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to DCC and the Secretary
of State expressing concerns with a copy to Mr G Cox QC MP. Paul was also
asked to establish what progress was being made regarding infringements to
planning approvals granted at Bridge House and The Waste Water Treatment
Works.

132-2005 Matters arising:

132.1 A progress report on the book of recollections was sought. The
Chairman detailed current progress and stated that he hoped to have a proof
available for the next meeting.

132.2 Resiting of the Post Office – The Chairman reported that the Castle Inn
have now expressed interest and it is hoped that a decision will be taken by
them soon.

132.3 English Heritage regarding hedges – EH have now agreed to the
coppicing and laying of the hedges and have agreed to fund the work.

132.4 Parking outside school – PC Reed has issued a defect note to Highways.

133-2005 Receive reports from Councillors on respective outside bodies:

133.1 DNPA – It was reported by Mr Fletcher that at the meeting held on 28th October and attended by him a request was made for a specific person to be available to answer queries raised by Parishes. Dr Atkinson agreed that this was a sensible idea and would investigate the possibility.

133.2 Police Authority – No meeting held

133.3 Southern Link Committee – Regrettably neither Mrs Cole nor Mrs Martyn were able to attend the recent meeting. The clerk detailed the item regarding pecuniary interests and Trustees of village organisations. It was agreed to invite Dr Roger Merryck to a future meeting to enable this point to be fully explained.

(Cllr Williamson arrived at this point in the meeting)

133.4 Mrs Boyd detailed the changes made at the recent AGM and confirmed that she was elected to serve a further term as Chairman. She also reported that the next project will be an update of equipment in the kitchen.

134.2005 - Receive financial report:

134.1 The clerk circulated balances as follows;

Current - £520.07

Flexi - £6618.95

134.2 The following payments were authorised for December:

Clerk – £239.70 – Stamps £2.52 – 50% of SLCC subs £42.00 – Internal Audit £27.98 – PC costs £15

135.2005 - Correspondence:

135.1 A letter regarding proposals for a new structure for police in the County was discussed and agreed that no action by the members would be taken.

135.2 Detail of Lydford's Conservation area proposals received from DNPA were discussed and agreed that they would be circulated around the members to enable them to read through it and be able to comment on the proposal at the January meeting.

136.2005 - Planning applications:

136.1 Raddon Bungalow – It was agreed that the clerk should establish if this property is still under an Agricultural Tie and to object to the proposals on the grounds of the 'vernacular'.

136.2 Road works at Lake Hill – No response has been received from Highways or Cllr Williamson regarding the reasons for this work.

137.2005 - Items raised for inclusion on this agenda:

137.1 None raised

138.2005 – Items raised for inclusion on the January agenda:

138.1 Work being carried out at the Caravan Park and amount of units the site is licensed for.

138.2 Bridge by cycle track and standing water

138.3 Drainage by Shellaford Cottages

138.4 Lane by Bolt House and existing BOAT

138.5 Relationship between MOD and Lydford Commoners

139.2005 - To agree the date of the next meeting:

139.1 The date of **Tuesday 17th January 2006** was agreed commencing at 7.00pm.

There being no further business the meeting was formally closed by the

Chairman at 8.40 pm.
DG Evans
Clerk to the Parish Council

02 January 2006

Signed as a true and accurate record.....Date.....
(Mr S Powne - Chairman)

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