

Payhembury Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 12th September 2012 at 7.30pm

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr Williams, Cllr Long, Cllr Leach and Cllr Doble.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
3. Recruitment of new clerk – Sue Morris was confirmed as the new Parish Council clerk.
4. Public Session – A copy of a letter sent to Devon County Council by Mr Somers regarding Poffit Lane had been received and was read out at the meeting. The lane is regularly impassable for pedestrians as a result of vehicle access. The letter called for the lane to be restricted to pedestrian and farm vehicles access only. The Parish Council agreed to await response from Devon County Council.
5. Police report – PCSO Anning informed the meeting that the reported crime since the last meeting was a stolen scooter; false representation on an e-bay transaction and a theft of a quad bike, trailer and pressure washer from farm premises. As a result of the quad bike having a tracker fitted, the vehicle was recovered and an arrest made, PC Anning emphasised the benefit of fitting a tracker on valuable items and postcode stamping smaller items, a service which the Police offer.
6. County Councillor's report – none
7. District Councillor's report – none
8. Matters arising
Model code of conduct. The Parish Council have formally adopted the EDDC code of conduct. Councillors who have not yet signed up to the code are urged to do so forthwith.
Playing Field S106 funding – Progress is being made by Cllr Doble along with the Playing Fields Association. A survey for the children of the village has been completed. A meeting with Payhembury Primary School is to be arranged.
9. Footpath at Hembury Fort – a complaint has been received regarding the 'no access' signs that have been erected at Hembury Fort. It was the Parish Council's understanding that the land owners were concerned with horse riders using the footpaths, however the signs that have been erected imply that pedestrians are being restricted as well.
It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to the Land Agents acting on behalf of the owners, and suggest that the notices be amended to welcome responsible walkers. Public Right of Way User Evidence Forms were circulated to encourage walkers to map out the routes previously walked at Hembury Fort. These will be submitted for the Devon wide review of footpaths being carried out by Devon County Council.
It was agreed that a note be submitted to the Parish Paper informing residents of the Evidence Forms, and how to access them via Devon County Council's website. Copies would also be placed in the Village shop. In addition, the Parish Councils of Broadhembury, Awliscombe and Buckerell be informed of the Hembury Fort developments

10. Skate Park donation – It was agreed to donate £30.00 to the Ottery St Mary Skate Park, which is now complete.

11. Active Villages Project – a representative of the Active Villages Project has requested they give a short presentation to a future Parish Council meeting. It was agreed they be invited to the next meeting on 14th November, and encouraged, if appropriate, to attend village events where members of the community would be able to learn about the project.

12. Christmas lights – Cllr Long had been looking into the cost of purchasing Christmas lights. In his absence, a budget of £300 was set to cover all aspects of staging lights in the Cherry tree over Christmas.

13. Planning

App Number	Property	Details	Decision
12/0675/LBC	The Barn, Lower Milton	Conversion and change of use to holiday acc.	Approved
12/1305/FUL	Oak Cottage	Removal of conservatory & garage/ construction of car port	Approved
12/1481/FUL	Blue Anchor	Construction of 2 rear, 1 st floor extensions & linking raised platform to garden	Approved + conditions
12/1511/LBC	Richards Farm	External rendering, replacement windows, rainwater goods	Approved+ conditions
12/0675/FUL	The Barn	Change of use to holiday lets	Approved + conditions
12/1670/LBC	Tuck Mill	Internal alterations, granny annexe, roof light and flue	Pending
12/1669/FUL	Tuck Mill	Installation of oil tank	Pending
12/1697/FUL	Mimosa Cottage	Erection of 4 bedroom cottage	Pending

It was agreed the Parish Council response for Planning application 12/1697/FUL Mimosa Cottage should be 'approved' with the inclusion of a footpath. Cllr Fowler is to write to Cllr Skinner highlighting this issue.

14. Finances – Bank balance as at 30th July 2012 was £2,018.17

		Credit	Debit	Balance
28.05.12	Bal brought fwd			3,426.99
18.06.12	EDDC BACS (Tennis Court)	1,550.00		4,976.99
20.06.12	Chq 480 David Tancock		679.66	4,297.33
22.06.12	Chq 482 Payhembury Tennis Club		308.40	3,988.93
3.07.12	Chq 485 M A White		1,550.00	2,438.93
19.07.12	AON Ltd		420.76	2,018.17

15. Correspondence – Notification of DALC Annual meeting on 6th October 2012. Letter received from EDDC regarding Tuck Mill planning Application.

Telephone Box – Cllr Fowler raised the matter of maintenance of the telephone box. It was agreed that a notice be submitted to the Parish Paper inviting 'quotes or volunteers' to develop the telephone box into a book lending box. The Parish Council to supply the materials.