

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBURY
PARISH COUNCIL held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 20th May 2014 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT: H. Tennant (Chairman), Mrs. D. Troake (Vice Chairman), Mrs D. Burrough, W. Foster, A. Tasker, and N. Yool, and 2 Parishioners.

APOLOGIES: Miss S. Little, K. Pearse, P. Pearse, Councillors A. Moulding and P. Diviani, and PCSO Amanda Wooster.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: H. Tennant

2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. D. Troake

3. ELECTION OF CLERK: N. Yool

4. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Village Hall	Mrs. D. Burrough
Playing Field	P. Pearse
Charities	H. Tennant
Emergency Officer	Miss S. Little
Planning Committee	H. Tennant; Mrs. D. Burrough; W. Foster, A. Tasker

5. THE MINUTES of meeting held on 18th March 2014 were confirmed and signed as correct.

6. MATTERS ARISING

- Blocked Sewer and Newhouse entrance - no progress.
- Locality budget – quotes had been obtained for car park surface repair. It was agreed to accept the lower quote of R.B. Lawrence.
- Mobile telephone mast – “we are still in the process of endeavouring to confirm the position concerning the coverage requirements in Membury” (Arqiva)

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- EDDC – European Election poster.
- DALC Axminster Committee – Invitation to meeting in Uplyme on Tuesday 29th April. Mr Yool attended this meeting which was to discuss the future of Axminster and Seaton hospitals. Officials from the North Devon NHS Commissioning Group explained that they had a £14.7million budget deficit. Was it necessary to have community hospitals at Axminster, Seaton, Honiton and Ottery St Mary? A working group was being set up to fight for the retention of Axminster Hospital.
- EDDC – Code of Conduct update.
- Blackdown Hills Parish Network AGM Wednesday 21st May at 7.30pm in Hemyock.
- EDDC – Flood Resilience Scheme – Clerk had registered Membury’s interest.
- Anna Kelly – blocked drain outside Follets.

8. PLANNING

EDDC Approval:

- Hurford, land south of Homeleigh – agricultural building
- Gawne-Caine, Gappers Farm – replacement windows (LBC)
- Tetlow, North Grays – innovative dwelling

Awaiting EDDC decision:

- Johnson, Trebblehayes – wind turbine.

9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The terms of reference were agreed.

Relevant issues to be identified by consultation with the community.

An exhibition would take place in the Village Hall on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st June.

Public input to be analysed in the summer and a draft document produced.

Then further consultation and referendum.

10. FINANCE

The 2013/14 accounts, which were largely in line with budget figures, were approved and the completed Annual Return to the Audit Commission was signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

Balances at 30 th April 2014	£
General Funds	6,148.77
Clerk's Salary Contingency	6,000.00
Footpath Funds	1,360.81
Flood Grant	<u>292.64</u>
Total	13,802.22

Payments for approval:

757 Hall hire	10.00
758 J. Wallace - Footpaths	264.00
759 DALC subscription	113.44
760 Playing Field Inspection fee	120.00
761 Membury PO – APM Refreshments	75.10
762 J. Wallace – Playing Fields	245.00
763 Community First Insurance	203.74
764 Stuart Todd Associates	1,800.00

Parishes Together Grant

2013/14 Funding – a total of £8,645.70 was awarded to Membury, Axminster, All Saints, Dalwood, Chardstock, Hawkchurch, Musbury, Upottery and Yarcombe to provide support for young people in the area with mental health issues.

2014/15 Funding – Invitation from Axminster Town Council to attend a meeting at Axminster Senior Citizens Centre at 10.30 am on Friday 30th May.

11. HIGHWAYS

Problems to be reported to Devon CC:

- Potholes on Greendown, outside Nimrods, northwards from Chardstock Cross, Longbridge Hill and southwards from Longbridge Cross.

Highways Correspondence

- Devon CC:
 - Members Information Pack
 - Road planings available. It was suggested that these could be used on Goyle Acre Lane.

12. FOOTPATHS

Devon CC: no Parish Paths Partnership Grant for 2014/15
FP18 Rock Mill – gatepost broken off.

13. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Quaker Burial Ground
Appointment of new Clerk

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. K. Hosking commented on various local issues.