

The monthly meeting was held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th August 2008 at 7.30 p.m. Chairman Cllr. B.Denham

Present Cllrs. B.Denham, P.Burton, J.Clarke-Irons, B.Mason, C.Pratt, A.Turner
C.Cllr. M.Rogers. 4 members of the public.

Apologies Cllrs.P.Shirley, P.Whiting, D.Cllr K.George, Clerk C.White

Absent Cllr C.Sellers

Minutes. The minutes of the July 2008 meeting, as circulated, were adopted and signed.

Matters arising. There were no matters arising.

Planning.

Applications Granted by East Devon District Council

Little Ash, Harcombe Road – Loft conversion with balcony and Velux roof lights.

Land to west of reservoir, Shire Lane – Erection of replacement telecommunications mast, relocation of transmission dish and ancillary cable and meters.

Lower Holcombe Farm (Amended Plans) – Erection of barn for equestrian use and storage.

Culver, Woodhouse Lane – Erection of Fruit-cage.

Applications considered

Willow Cottage, Springhead Road Erection of dwelling. *This application does not overcome the previous grounds for refusal given by the Parish Council or those set out in EDDC's Refusal of Planning Permission dated 24th September 2007 (Planning Application No.07/1807/FUL). The current design proposal is inappropriate for this site in an AONB, still being suburban, of excessive bulk and prominence. It is over development in this rural setting, and not in keeping with the planning guidelines set out in the Uplyme Parish Plan, as adopted by EDCC. Building is likely to cause damage to the protected and other trees, affect the East Devon Way, and cause disruption to local residents and traffic in Springhead Road. Access to the site, although acceptable to the Highway Authority, is still below standards normally required.*

Refusal Recommended

1 Glebelands Conversion of garage to living accommodation. *The Parish Council has no adverse comments. Approval Recommended.*

Penway, Whalley Lane (Amended Plans) Erection of two storey extension to form granny flat. *The Parish Council considers this proposal is far inferior to the previous proposals. It certainly does nothing to maintain and enhance the distinctive architectural character of the village (see Uplyme Parish Plan page 1). It does not comply with Guidance Note 02 "Buildings and Spaces Guidelines" of the Uplyme Parish Design Statement, as approved by East Devon District Council. The Parish Council therefore recommends refusal of this application.*

Pitt White, Mill Lane Fell one beech tree. *The Parish Council is very unhappy to see such a mature and superb tree, covered by a TPO and in an AONB merely felled without reason. There could be problems with a large branch and possible risk to the house. The application gives no reasons for wanting the tree felled. It must be surveyed by an expert and a report made before any work is done. Crown reduction to such a mature tree may not be effective. The Parish Council recommends refusal of the application pending a detailed report.*

The Coppice, Woodhouse Lane Replacement front porch,new front extension,removal of rear porch,erection of conservatory, rear extension and alterations to roof space. *The Parish Council has no objections to this application, being a reduction in size from previously approved application.*

Other Planning

The Coach House, Trinity Hill Road – Notice of Appeal against EDDC refusal.

Finance.

Present Position

Balances at 30th July 2008

Treasurers Account	£4,778.77		Including Restricted Funds of :	
Business Instant Access A/c	£5,302.28		Footpath funds	£2,094.29
Millennium Tree Fund	£54.54	£10,135.59	Playground Funds	£173.80
			Uplyme Speed Campaign	£879.01

Payments Out

Clerk's Salary & Expenses	491.35
Bay Gardens and Landscaping	480.00
Footpath Maintenance	255.00
Councillor's Expenses	6.52
VAT	7.63
	<u>1240.50</u>

Payments In

Cemetery	70.00
Interest - Deposit Account	10.87
	<u>£80.87</u>

Footpaths. Application to divert footpath No 93. Cllr P.Burton declared an interest. There were no comments by Councillors.

Highway Matters

Hedge overgrowing Cathole Lane – Cllr A.Turner will try to discover the owner of this land.

New Road Name-board at Red Lane Cross – Cllrs considered that the new board *YAWL HILL* is incorrect and should be replaced by one saying *YAWL HILL LANE*.

Village Hall Pedestrian Crossing – Following further requests for a crossing, the Clerk wrote to County Highways. C.Cllr M.Rogers agreed to a site meeting with Cllr B.Denham at 3pm on Friday 12th September 2008. The Clerk to arrange for Highways Engineer P.Wilson to attend.

Maintenance of Parish Council Land – Cllr. C.Pratt reported that the cemetery was in very good condition and comments were generally favourable. There was a problem with emptying the rubbish bin outside the Church – this was resolved by Cllr B.Mason who telephoned EDDC.

Children’s Playground – Cllr. J.Clarke-Irons reported that Devon Community Foundation has a new *Grass Roots Fund* that will provide grants up to £5,000 to local groups with limited income. The Playground Group is one of these and an application has been made. Cllr. Clarke-Irons also made and installed a new section of fence to plug the gap in the roadside hedge that children were using to enter/leave the playground and while this was being installed, there were 27 children with their parents using the playground – very encouraging.

Boundary Committee Draft Proposal for Unitary Government for Devon – This will be discussed at the September meeting when more Cllrs are present.

Trinity Hill Local Nature Reserve – The draft of a letter prepared by Mr. D.Sole for the Parish Council to send to Mr.C.Plowden was approved by all present without a vote.

County Councillor’s Report – C.Cllr. M.Rogers reported on a meeting she had with Col. Brierey and Dorset/Devon County officials in Lyme Regis on 4th July 2008 re traffic matters. It was agreed that the officials would provide up-to-date figures on HGV movement for a future meeting and that whatever was decided would ensure that Uplyme would not be the chosen route.

District Councillor’s Report – There was no District Councillor’s Report.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.57 p.m.

Signed..... Chairman

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