

Abbotsham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Abbotsham Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 October 2023

Present: Councillors Lilly (Vice Chair), Davey-Potts, Reed, Tolley and Wilson

Apologies – Dominic and Roger

Not present - Sarah

1. To Register Members New Interests - none

2. Items raised by members of public –

The verges of the lane that goes from the end of Pump Lane to Lundy Gate has got more & more overgrown over the last few years-such that as a walker, when a car goes past, one finds oneself amongst the nettles & brambles. The verge has grown out over the tarmac by as much as 2 feet on either side in some places!

If this could be dealt with, it will make for much more comfortable walking! Not sure what the answer is? – From Gill Marlow – It is believed that this area has now been cut

3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda and Minutes

- 3.1 Declarations of interest by Councillors within agenda – none
 - 3.1.1 Minutes of previous meeting held on 05 September 2023 to be approved – all agreed
 - 3.1.2 Matters arising not covered by Agenda – Racecourse Bungalow – we can give grant if its of benefit to the parishioners

4. Report by Councillor Philip Pennington or Robert Hicks

Not present – no report sent

5. Report by County Councillor Jeffery Wilton-Love

Not present - no report sent

6. Planning

- 6.1 1/0656/2023/FUL - Demolition of existing dwelling and detached garage and erection of replacement dwelling with integral garage, South Close Abbotsham (amended plans) – Sharon – entrance being widened, Martin – consultee – are the materials chosen acceptable, - no objections, all agreed
- 6.2 1/0110/2023/REMM - Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for a proposal of 200 dwellings pursuant to outline planning permission 1/0947/2020/OUTM and associated infrastructure, Land At Grid Reference 242647 125879 Clovelly Road Bideford – We believe the outline conditions should be discharged prior to this application being approved, specifically highways as we have concerns about the impact on the highway network.
- 6.3 1/0822/2023/FULM - Outline application with all matters reserved except access for the development of up to 200 dwellings with associated works (Variation of condition 15 of planning approval 1/0947/2020/OUTM) - Biodiversity Net Gain | Land At Grid Reference 242647 125879 Clovelly Road Bideford – (as above 6.2)
- 6.4 1/0924/2023/OUT - Outline application for 2no. dwellings with all matters reserved except access and layout, Oakenbury House, Westward Ho!, - disappointing that the Monterey pines are not being retained

7. Clerks Report

- 7.1 XLinks – any updates – Sept 28, Secretary of State, Nationally significant and so will dealt with by Government
- 7.2 Speed signs – circulate quote
- 7.3 Temporary traffic orders - circulated
- 7.4 Gateway signage update – Jenna could we just make area around sign more attractive with planters, now not looking to replace them, approach Mens Shed for planters – all agreed

9. Chairs Report

- 9.1 Abbotsham Volunteers – couple have been cancelled, could do with sweeping up leaves/nuts. Not sure when the next one is.
- 9.2 20's Plenty – Not sure if there is Government change and that Council's cannot issue 20's plenty areas.
- 9.3 Footpath at The Big Sheep – Dominic met with Rick last week, School may look at a drop off point for children, Jenna to email school and Jeff Wilton-Love

10 Finance

- 10.1 Bank account signatories – Sharon to check in Barnstaple Branch
- 10.2 Payment of auditor gift £50
 - Payment of electrician invoice for fitting heated defibrillator box
 - Payment of clerks half year expenses £45
 - Cheque for Panto £180 (previously agreed £200)
- 10.3 Remittance advice - £4250

10 Correspondence

Round Robin Items – emails from – scan read

Rural Service Network – analogue phone lines not coming into house, will be looking out for people that will be affected. Copper wires will be replaced Summer 2024. Piloting EV by street lights, funding sources maybe useful for the future

Devon Community

Devon County Council

Torrige District Council – street naming policy – no need to comment, money allocated under levelling up

Any others – Hospital – nothing of relevance

Email from national churches – not sure how much the church will receive £10000 + maybe more

Abbotsham Road closed 26/27 October

Link Road

Clean marine innovation centre – money from levelling up fund

Check weekly list 8/10

Email Jeff re priority sign at bridges

Claire will check emails for next month

11 Any Other Business

Benches – funding

Chris – Airbnb – what is it like in the village,

13 Items raised by Councillors for inclusion on the next agenda