Abbotsham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Abbotsham Parish Council held on Tuesday 23 April 2024 in The Skittle Alley, Abbotsham

Present: Councillors Lewis-Barclay (Chair), Lilly (Vice-Chair), Reed, Wilson, Mullins, Davey-Potts, Walton

Councillor Pennington (TDC)

1.0	Apologies – Cllr Wilton-Love (DCC), Cllr Tolley	
2.0	To Register Members New Interests - None	
3.0	Items raised by members of public	
	Mandy Goddard, Devon Communities, site allocated in local plan for approx. 23 houses, diocese is thinking of selling land, no conversations with church as they aren't far enough down the line. Middlemarch – support local communities to set up CLT, may struggle with viability of site, land value is raised as in development boundary, working with housing association to develop sites, CLT may buy site then HA will develop the housing, registered provider. Unlikely that HA would want to work with CLT on site like this. Unlikely to find HA and Developer that will want to get involved because of the value of the land. Housing needs survey would need updating. When land is for sale then contact developer to try and have input into it at that point. Rural housing enabling work project in place, even if have to work with developer then we can go back to Devon Communities.	
	Cllr Pennington – will the housing need be demonstrated by the fact that there are homeless families staying in Premier Inn and Sully House (are these local needs?)	
4.0	Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda and Minutes	
4.1	Declarations of interest by Coucillors within agenda - none	
4.1.1	Minutes of previous meeting held on 23 April to be approved – all agreed	
4.1.2	Matters arising not covered by Agenda - none	
5.0	Report by Councillor Philip Pennington or Robert Hicks (TDC)	
	XILinks progressing with new consultation, TDC have least borrowing, Reserved matters phase 1 at Moreton Lodge was approved by plans committee	
6.0	Report by Councillor Jeff Wilton-Love (DCC)	
	Apologies – no report sent	
7.0	Planning	
7.1	XLinks consultation/presentation – more information provided, no storage facility off of Pump Lane now, maps at meeting yesterday showed red line for the application. Compound at top of hill on right, route going through hall road got to be put in. XLinks will send a clearer plan of route in Abbotsham.	
7.2	1/0431/2024/FULM Reserved matters application for details of	Clerk to

	appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in respect of a proposal for 276 no. dwellings, associated infrastructure and open space pursuant outline planning permission 1/0039/2014/OUTM (Amended Plans)(Variation of Condition 1 of planning permission 1/1256/2021/REMM) (Plans Schedule), Land South Of Clovelly Road, Littleham, - no comments	obtain a copy of plan of parish
7.3	1/0183/2024/REM - Proposal: Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for 1no. dwelling pursuant to application 1/0972/2022/OUT Land Adjacent Bowood House, Abbotsham - Approved	
7.4	1/0204/2024/CPE Certificate of existing lawful development for the use of land as a mixed use adventure park, caravan and camping site The Big Sheep, Abbotsham - Refused	
7.5	1/0195/2024/FUL Removal of timber steps and installation of raised decking area Rinsey, Abbotsham - Approved	
8.0	Clerks Report	
8.1	Speed signs - ordered	
8.2	Defibrilator box – ordered	
8.3	Grass Cutting contract	
8.4	Road Warden Scheme – email showed it to be more complicated than anticipated, need to check with Jeff at next meeting	
9.0	Chairs Report	
9.1	Abbotsham Volunteers – Mickey and Bridgitte are taking a step back from the volunteers. Volunteers need to be reformulated as they had had tools/trailer and expertise. Sub committee for planters to report next week	
9.2	Community Land Trust – see public section	
9.3	Village Fete – all moving forward, ditched bouncy castle, might have horse rides	
9.4	Village community volunteers -	Circulate Sharons list
10.0	Finance	
10.1	Invoice for Insurance renewal – defer payment to next month	
10.0	Invoice for grass cutting (2024)	
10.2	Grants	
	Bell Ringers - £1200(chq 695) proposed by Martin, seconded by Sharon, all agreed	
	Church Graveyard - defer	
	Village Hall - defer	
	North Devon Records Office £150	
11.0	Round Robin Items	
	Emails from Rural Services Network	Clerk to
	Devon Community	bring list of meetings
	Devon County Council	and then
	Torridge District Council Any others	people can add names.
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	Devon Highways event on 5 th June, online Wednesday 12.30 to 2.00pm	Dominic to go through emails for next meeting
12.0	Any Other Business	
13.0	Items raised by Councillors for inclusion on the next agenda	