

Clerk:
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Southleigh Parish Council

A meeting of Southleigh Parish Council was held on Wednesday 18th September 2019, at 8.00pm at Southleigh Village Hall.

Minutes

Those present:

Cllr John Reed Cllr Karen Luff Cllr Andrew Foxwell Cllr Johnny Bullard

In attendance: Kathryn Thompson (Clerk), Cllr Martin Shaw (DCC), Cllr Paul Arnott (EDDC) and Cllr Helen Parr (EDDC)

1. **Apologies:** No apologies were received from Cllr David Selway.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None received
3. **The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 17th July 2019** were **approved** and signed as a true record.
4. **Items to be dealt with after the public, including the press have been excluded:** Councillors agreed that there were none.
5. **Public Forum:** None
6. **Financial Matters: To approve the following payments:**
 - a) **Payment of £618 for Mrs P Newbery's annual salary from the previous year**
 - b) **Payment of salary for Mrs K Thompson of £134.28**Councillors **approved** these payments
- c) **Remittance for £1000 precept received.**
7. **Planning Applications: 19/1582/FUL – Rakeway Head North, Seaton Down Road, Southleigh, EX24 6JF** – concern was raised by the councillors over the size of the structure in comparison to the size of the plot. No further comments. **ACTION: Clerk** to advise EDDC planning. **Cllr Arnott** to follow up an email sent by the Clerk to EDDC regarding paper copies of planning applications being required.
8. **To accept reports and agree actions from the following:**
 - a) **Cllr Martin Shaw (DCC)** – Cllr Shaw advised that he had attended Colyton Carnival where the had been good representation about the Fire Service proposals. He was on the Scrutiny Committee and was disappointed that the Fire Service had declined to attend the last meeting and advised that the proposed closure of Colyton Fire Station was to be raised at the next Scrutiny Committee Meeting. The rent and maintenance on the Seaton & Colyton Medical Practise building in Colyton has increased from £5,500 to £36,000. The Medical Practise are providing documentation for him to take to the next Scrutiny

Committee meeting. The Gigaclear broadband contract has been cancelled by Connecting Devon who are now looking to appoint another contractor, a report is due to be issued at a meeting that Cllr Shaw is attending during the week following this meeting. He advised that the repairs to the Northleigh to Honiton Golf Course road that were discussed at the meeting of the Parish Council in July are now underway. He advised that there is a Local Traffic Group meeting on the 30th September at 2pm at The Marshland Centre in Seaton.

- b) **Cllr Paul Arnott (EDDC)** – Reports have been distributed by email to Councillors. He advised that there has been a good community response against the proposed closure of Colyton Fire Station and also highlighted the concerns over the rent increase for the Colyton Medical Centre as detailed above. Cllr Arnott raised concern over the increase in car parking charges in Colyton and has requested that it be reduced as it is affecting local traders.
- c) **Cllr Helen Parr (EDDC)** – Reports distributed to Cllrs by email following the meeting. Cllr Parr urged that everyone submit a response to the Fire Service regarding the proposed closure of Colyton Fire Station. She reported that the local recycling rate is 62%. Cllrs J Bullard and K Luff raised concern that locally we experience spillages from the recycling lorries and this is mainly due to the doors on the lorries not being closed whilst in transit.

ACTION: Clerk to write a letter raising this concern.

- 9. **To accept any relevant correspondence:** A thank you letter for the donation to TRIP Community Transport has been received.

- 10. **Any other business:** Cllr J Bullard is going to be moving from the village once their property has sold. He is intending to remain as a Parish Councillor until this time.

Cllr J Reed raised concern about the road up past Rye Errish. Cllr Martin Shaw advised that he had had an email saying that the council are trying to find patching money. Cllr Reed said that this was not adequate. Cllr Shaw will raise this issue at the Traffic Group meeting on the 30th September, he also advised that the road past Gays Farm which was discussed at the last meeting was with Steve Kelly and that he would also raise this at the meeting.

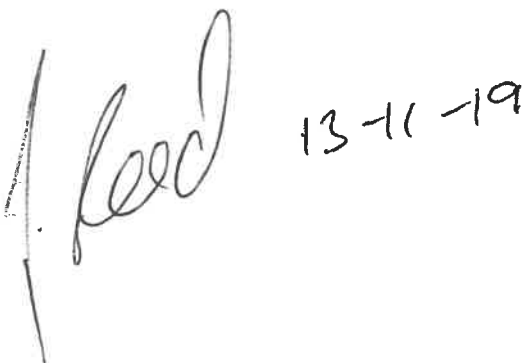
Cllr K Luff raised the issue of potholes getting worse, Cllr J Reed commented that some are being filled but others next to them are being left. Cllr M Shaw advised that changes are taking place to allow contractors more leniency when carrying out repairs.

Cllr J Reed raised that the hedges between Nanny's Water and Reckles Cross need cutting. Cllr M Shaw is going to speak to Steve Kelly to try and find out ownership and/or to arrange for them to be cut.

Cllr A Foxwell reported that the signpost at Reckles Cross has been damaged by a lorry and needs repair.

- 11. **Date of Next Meeting:** Wednesday 11th November 2019 at 8pm

Meeting closed 21.09 by Cllr J Reed.



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