Minutes of the Berrynarbor Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 9th November 2021 at 7.00pm in the Manor Hall, Berrynarbor

Present: Cllrs A Stanbury (Chairman), G Bacon, S Barten, J Beer, A Coppin, B Joyce and Latham

Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk (Via Zoom) and 3 Members of the public

2111/01 Apologies

Cllrs A Burch and M Johns. County Cllr A Davis and North Devon Cllr F Tucker.

2111/02 Declarations of Interest

None.

The Chairman proposed and it was unanimously agreed to move item 11 on the agenda "Tree works" forward to be dealt with after the minutes.

2111/03 Public Participation

None.

2111/04 Minutes

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th October 2021 as a correct record.

2111/05 Tree Works

The Chairman reported that the working party had met on site with residents and the contractor and all were in agreement with the proposals for the works to the trees in the Recreation Field, a quotation for the works had been received and the proposal was for the residents to contribute 50% of the net figure. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, for the residents to pay 50% of the net figure up front and to then instruct the contractor to undertake the tree works.

2111/06 To receive reports from:

- Police It was noted that the report had been circulated.
- County Cllr Miss A Davis
 The report is attached as Appendix A.
- District Cllr J Tucker
 Cllr Tucker had reported that Berrynabor Park was still being dealt with by enforcement officers.
- Play Area

Cllrs Stanbury, Latham and Bacon had met with the Boules Committee and proposed a location in the dog area, they have provided them with two options and are waiting to hear. It was agreed to seek a quotation from the North Devon Council for legal advice on the matter. It was noted that some dog walkers had been against the proposal. Members would like to carry out a community consultation for the recreation field over the next 10 years and it was agreed to arrange a meeting with Devon Communities Together to discuss.

- Manor Hall None.
- Footpaths None.
- Dog Exercise Area None.
- Grit Bins/Road It was noted that email permission had been received from the landowner to relocate the salt bin in Haggington Hill. Cllr Joyce reported that a resident had raised concerns that when the hedge in Barton Lane is cut along the road the debris gets blow into the drain it was agreed to pursue with Highways and ask if the gully can be continued.
- Meetings/Events attended by Councillors/Clerk
 Cllrs Bacon and Stanbury had looked at the tree in Claude's Garden
 and did not feel it was that big or required cutting right down, it was
 agreed to place an item on the next Agenda.

2111/07 Planning & Planning Correspondence

73934 Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 72576 (Conversion of existing flat into holiday lets and to convert a barn into a dwelling) to allow two external doors to be moved to south elevation and reduction in size of bifold on the holiday flat & addition of a wood burner in the holiday flat at Stable Flat Bodstone Barton Farm Combe Martin Ilfracombe

Applicant: Featon

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.

74294 Outdoor swimming pool at Treetops Old Coast Road Berrynarbor Ilfracombe **Applicant:**

It was resolved, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.

2111/08 Payments and Receipts PAYMENTS

70. November Salaries		£414.65	
71. HMRC PAYE November		£103.60	
72. HMRC Interest		£2.03	
73. Toilet Cleaning, October		£100	
74. Zoom Monthly Fee, November		£14.39	
75. Tesco Mobile, October bill		£10.50	
76. British Gas, Toilets Electricity		£49.66	
77. British Gas, Toilets Electricity		£51.35	
78. Festive Lights Ltd	CENTRAL DI MANGE VENEZIONE	£986.75	

Payments total:	£1,732.93
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Receipts total:	£0.33

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the payments and receipts.

To consider request for financial assistance from the Record Office It was resolved, with no votes to the contrary, to contribute £50 this financial year and look to increase next year.

2111/10 To consider draft budgets for 2022-2023

Members discussed projects for 2022-2023 it was agreed that refurbishment of the public toilets is a priority and to allocate funds to an Ear Marked Reserve to fund the project, members would also like to investigate projects such as electric charging points for cars. It was agreed

to circulate a budget based on the items discussed for discussion at the next meeting.

2111/11 To agree calendar of meetings for 2022

It was resolved, with no votes to the contrary, to agree the calendar of meetings for 2022.

2111/12 Highways Parish and Town Councils Conference

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, for Cllrs Coppin and Barten to attend.

2111/13 Manor Hall Section 106 Funding

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to allocate the remaining 106 funds towards heating control upgrades.

2111/14 Highways Engagement

Members considered the priority routes and drainage issues on highways within the parish, it was noted that the main areas are Barton Lane, Mill Lane, Watermouth Road, Cross Park and Castle Hill.

2111/15 **Berrynarbor Car Park**

It was agreed to chase NDC again.

Meeting ended at 8.05pm.

Signed Dated: 14172121

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Coronavirus updates from Devon County Council

The link below may be of interest to residents with the situation changing and many interested in what is happening locally this link is a useful starting point for questions and the current situation in Devon.

The link takes you to the Covid-19 pages on the Devon County Council Website, it has daily updated information as to positive cases within the area, information about testing and track and trace.

https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/coronavirus-data/

Waste and Recycling

The 2020/21 performance statistics have recently been published and Devon's recycling rate reduced to 55.3% from the previous year's 56.6%. The reduction can be linked to the provision of Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) which closed for seven weeks during the first lockdown commencing end March 2020. Subsequent social distancing measures reduced site capacities, closure of resale shops and the introduction of booking systems also impacted on the amount of waste processed leading to a reduction in recycling performance.

East Devon once again achieved the highest recycling rate amongst Devon's Waste Collection Authorities (WCAs) with 60% marginally down from previous years 60.5%. The other seven WCA figures as follows: Teignbridge (55.9%); Torridge & West Devon (55.2%); South Hams (54.7%); Mid Devon (53.7%); North Devon (49.5%) and Exeter (27.8%).

While our recycling centres recycling performance remains high at 72%, 2020/21 saw a small reduction from previous year (75%). Reductions across all streams were noted for Devon's HWRCs, notably organic material down 22%. The closure and restrictions to HWRC re-use shops last year resulted in a 64% reduction in sales, equating to 666 tonnes less material resold to members of the public – all HWRC re-use shops have now re-opened.

Peninsula Transport Vison consultation feedback

The consultation on the Peninsula Transport Vison five goals concluded on the 17th September.

Over 200 responses from communities, business transport operators and stakeholders with all goals receiving over 80% support. Thank you to all my parishes who took part.

- 1) By investing in road and rail network improving access to education, skills and employment important in levelling up
- 2) Resilience and reliability critical in efficient movement of goods and people and responding to climate change / severe weather events
- 3) Promotion of walking, cycling and public transport to reduce demand for cars as well as support transition towards low emission vehicles (freight and private transport)
- 4) Improve people's choice of travel, affordability and safety of travel
- 5) Outstanding natural environment which makes it great place to live and work but important we also deliver new homes and jobs in places served by high quality transport choices.

Current Work to support the five goals includes;

- 1) <u>Strategic Economic Corridors</u> which is an appraisal of 3 Strategic Economic Corridors in the Peninsula:
- North South Corridor including A38 / M5 and Paddington Mainline Growth Corridor
- East West Corridor including A30 / A303 / A358 and Waterloo Mainline Growth Corridor
- North West Corridor including A361 / A39 North Devon Link and North Devon Rail Line
 Corridor

2) Freight Strategy

Positive inputs from freight operators, the private sector, LEPs and local authorities – generated a lot of ideas on collaborative piece with Western Gateway.

Now the key is to refine this into some key interventions that support our Vision, namely around ensuring we can move freight efficiently and taking opportunities to decarbonise these goods movements.

3) Other Key Studies

EV and Carbon Strategy running in parallel as a lot of overlap – fits with Vision Goal to deliver affordable, zero carbon transport for everyone

Rail Study – paused due to significant changes with GBR, changing travel patterns post COVID and so re-scope in progress. Worth noting we already have a strong Peninsula Rail plan and significant progress is being made (i.e. South West Rail Resilience Programme, emerging work on Mobile Connectivity (covered at the end of presentation) and aspirations to strengthen performance of 2nd strategic rail route (i.e. reliability/connectivity and resilience on West of England line). Need to explore what decarbonisation opportunities there are and respond to Gear Change and Bus Back Better national strategies to better integrate with walking, cycling and public transport

4) Current and Future Commissions

We are keen to progress our strategy and in parallel developing the strategic implementation plan as we want to be able to identify our key strategic transport asks and influence upcoming opportunities through National Highways Roads Investment Strategy 3 (post 2025) and Network Rail's Control Period 7 (2024-2029)

5) Rail Projects

Network Rail Corridor Studies are the Continuous Modular Strategic Planning (CMSP) which replace the route studies – they seek to pose and answer strategic questions about how rail can support local aspirations, for instance supporting economic growth and specifying the type of infrastructure and timetables that are needed.

Great British Railways aims to integrate the railways (bringing together track and trains) in order to deliver passenger-focused travel with simpler, modern fares and reliable services.

6) Restoring Your Railway

In Addition to the Dartmoor Line which is a £40m investment. (services to Okehampton)

Wellington and Cullompton stations, funded from Tranche 1 of RYR and hopeful of further development funding.

Also, announced recently DCC's successful bid to the Restoring Your railway fund for the reinstating of the line Bere Alson to Tavistock, the £50k will help fund the business case work.

7) South West Mobile Connectivity

Innovative pilot to make better use of GSM-R (Global System for Mobile Communications- Railway) masts and install O2, Vodafone and EE mobile phone connectivity, which will not only boost voice and data coverage on rail journeys but also deliver improved mobile connectivity to 30 x local towns and villages across the Peninsula. If we can't achieve faster journeys, at least make them more productive (working office concept).

Bus Service Improvement Plan

Very many thanks to the Parish Councils who took part in the high level consultation in the summer.

After taking the proposal arising from the feedback to Cabinet in October we have now published our BSIP (Bus Services Improvement Plan) on the Travel Devon website: <u>National Bus Strategy - Devon's Response - Travel Devon</u>

So what happens next?

This is now with the DfT, who will assess it, alongside other BSIPs submitted from local authorities around the country. They will then allocate us a proportion of the £3billion Bus Back Better funding pot. We haven't been given an indication of when we might hear about this, but anticipate it not being before December.

Once we have been notified of our funding allocation (hopefully all of the funding we have asked for!), we will go out to a full public consultation on the plan – we now anticipate this will be January/February - before commencing delivery of the plan from next April onwards.

In the interim we will be starting the process of forming an Enhanced Partnership with our bus operators, and will also be kicking off the consultation process with some focus group sessions, specifically to find out views from individuals with protected characteristics (such as the young people and those with learning or physical disabilities).

Road Closures

Seaside, Combe Martin, Road Closure; from Monday 22 November 2021 to Friday 26 November 2021 (both dates inclusive)the road closure will start at 09.30 am and will be removed at 15.00pm so hopefully this will help the school run.

Lynton Cross all going well, the road closure will change- Iron Letters to Lynton Cross will be 22nd November anticipated finish is 10th December. (weather permitting)

Reminder about reporting a highway problem:

https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/

telephone: 0345 155 1004

One network, shows future roadworks in each place; https://one.network/

Drains locators and frequency of inspection (cleaning);

https://apps1.wdm.co.uk/Live/Devon/PBLC/PIP/map.aspx?cg=kaarb

Location of and faulty street lights, https://www.lightsonindevon.co.uk/Public/ReportFault.aspx

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