

LITTLEHAM & LANDCROSS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT LITTLEHAM
VILLAGE HALL
ON THURSDAY 14TH APRIL 2011.

Present: Cllrs. Atkinson (Vice-Chairman), Hassall, Heard, Hopkins, M Smith and Stevens.
TDC Cllr Pennington [from 7.55pm].

Apologies: Cllrs Mrs Beer, Mrs Galvin, Hamilton, Miss Lamb, Poole, G Smith.
DCC Cllr Robinson.

Members of the public wishing to address the meeting on a specific agenda item, were, in accordance with Standing Order 24 and Paragraph 12(2) of Statutory Instrument 2007/1159, permitted to do so before that Agenda Item.

1042 - Registration of members Interests: No additional registrations were required.

1043 – To confirm Minutes 1028 - 1041 of 10th March 2011: the Minutes were adopted as a true record of the meeting. P: Cllr M Smith S: Cllr Heard. All agreed.

1044 - Planning:

- a. 1/0152/2011/FUL: Edge Mills Nursery- New access road/entrance: Members of the public raised their concerns regarding this application and regarding the proposed use of the land for a mushroom farm. On the latter the members of public present were advised by the Council Members to write, individually, to TDC Planning asking them to review the original application [2009] and ascertain whether current works/construction of buildings were in accordance with permissions granted. Cllr Hassall tabled a letter from DCC, as Local Highway Authority [posted on the TDC Planning website today], refusing permission because “Adequate information has not been submitted to satisfy the Local Planning Authority that the proposal is acceptable in terms of: Access, visibility splays, road construction, road gradients and surface water drainage contrary to Policy TR10 of the Devon County Structure Plan.” On the matter of the proposed access Council Members RESOLVED TO REFUSE permission on the following grounds:

- The Council were not in favour of any development on this site when initially proposed in 2009
- The valley is in an Area of Great Landscape Value
- The steepness of the access gradient, especially for heavy vehicles entering the road
- Water run-off caused by the gradient – proposed soakaways are deemed inadequate
- X-sectional drawings should be supplied to show levels, proposed stone hedging etc
- The matters raised by Highways
- Possible future residential development of the site
- Any new gateway should be of traditional structure

Furthermore it was proposed that a letter be sent to the Enforcement officer at TDC expressing concern at the speed of works being carried out prior to permissions being granted, and investigate the use of the new buildings – are they to “support the use of land”. A request therefore to review the original permissions granted and clarify that the present situation complies.

P: Cllr Hopkins. S: Cllr Hassall. All agreed.

- b. 1/0065/2011/LBC: Honeysuckle Cottage, Littleham – blocking up of internal door: APPROVED.

P: Cllr Stevens. S: Cllr Heard. All agreed.

- c. 1/0298/2011/FUL: Alverlin, Littleham – domestic extension over garage: APPROVED.

P: Cllr M Smith. S: Cllr Stevens. All agreed.

- d. 1/0291/2011/FUL & 1/0292/2011/LBC: The Old Rectory, Landcross - conversion of Coachmans Cottage into annexe, including installation of single opening first floor window, removal of one ground floor internal wall and new internal first floor. APPROVED. Cllr Hassall. Cllr M Smith. All agreed.

1045 – Correspondence Received: Cllr Hassall advised that he had been asked by the Chair to look at correspondence from TDC regarding Consultation for proposed changes to the Local List. He advised that the “List” comprised 27 pages of tick boxes designed to help members of the public understand and provide the correct supporting documentation when making Planning Applications. He felt that such a List would confuse applicants, and a better service would be provided if this list was discussed and completed in conjunction with a member of the Planning Department. Cllr Hassall advised that he would respond to TDC via the Clerk.

1046 – Next meeting: Thursday 28th April, 2011 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Annual Parish Council Meeting [Election of new officers]: Thursday May 12th, 2011 at 7.30pm.

Annual Parish Meeting [Open meeting]: Thursday May 19th, 2011 at 7.30pm.