Minutes of the meeting of Mortehoe Parish Council held in the Council Chamber, The Esplanade, Woolacombe, on Monday January 15 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Members: M Wilkinson, O Bell, D Duffield,, (Vice Chairman) D Barron, (Chairman) K Cook , S Woodman, J Richards, S Phillips, J Dicker
Clerk: D Bleasdale
Also Present: Cllr Andrea Davies and 3 members of the public.

1/2024 Apologies for absence:

2/2024 Public Speaking: Mark Rendall spoke about having a market on the meadow.

3/2024 Police Report: Violence less Serious 5, Theft 1,

4/2024 Declaration of Interests: Planning application 77999: Cllrs Bell, Woodman, Dicker, Duffield, Barron, Wilkinson, Phillips, left the meeting during this discussion. With an accepted dispensation from the proper officer due to the council not being quorate the Cllrs Richards and Cook passed a comment.
Planning application 78018 Cllr Phillips (Business owner of nearby property)
Planning application 78018 Cllr Barron.

5/2024 Jonathan Fairhurt: National Trust: Jonathan provided an update on National Trust activities in the area, resurfacing of the tramper routes, and the cycle route from Marine Drive to Putsborough. Planting 6,000 trees near Seymore. Rewetting Combesgate valley by blocking streams, creating larger wet areas. Work on the boardwalk on Morte point has taken place.
Permission was asked by the council to build a skatepark in the meadow playing field, Jonathan said this was fine.

6/2024 Minutes: It was Proposed to APPROVE as a correct record and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on December 18th 2023 at 7pm in the Council Chamber.

7/2024 County Council Report: See Attached.

8/2024 Planning

77999 Construction of 21 affordable dwellings with associated infrastructure including boundary treatments, landscaping & road access at Beach Road Woolacombe.
Comment passed: With an accepted dispensation from the proper officer due to the council not being quorate, Mortehoe Parish Council would like to offer the following comment: Mortehoe Parish council support the need for local housing.
77991 Extension and erection of dormer window to rear of dwelling at Fernleigh South Street Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BB. Approval proposed by Councillor Barron Seconded by Councillor Phillips, decision unanimous.
78018 Extension and renovation of dwelling at Little Phares Cottage Mortehoe Woolacombe Devon EX34 7DU. Approval proposed by Councillor Duffield Seconded by Councillor Woodman, decision unanimous.
77994 Prior notification by telecommunications code system operator for the removal of 3 no. existing Antennas 18.0m AGL, The installation 3 no. new Antennas 18.0m AGL, The installation of 1 no. M35 Cabinet & Associated ancillary upgrades at Ntl Site 13109 Woolacombe. Approval proposed by Councillor Wilkinson Seconded by Councillor Bell, decision unanimous.

78099 Erection of one self build dwelling and associated works at Future Farm Western Rise Woolacombe Devon EX34 7AG. Approval proposed by Councillor Duffield Seconded by Councillor Dicker, decision unanimous provided there is a local needs occupancy restriction.

Notification of Planning Appeals:
76192 at Shoreview Mill Lane Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BR.
77084 at Land at High Tide North Morte Road Mortehoe Devon EX34 7EG.

APPROVED
77690 Replacement dwelling following on from recent approved application (ref 76683) at High Cleve Beach Road Woolacombe Devon EX34 7AA
77860 Retrospective Installation for ground mounted solar panels (amended description) at Quarryside Upper Claypark Mortehoe Woolacombe Devon EX34 7EA
77755 Outline application for erection of replacement classrooms with some matters reserved (access, appearance, landscaping and scale) at Woolacombe County Primary School Beach Road Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BT
APPROVED 77680 Conversion of garage to form ancillary accommodation and replacing flat roof with pitched roof at Fernleigh South Street Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BB

9/2024 District Council Report: The toilets in Barnstaple are going to opened by easter with a café attached.
District Council have put forward a motion to go through, with the support of the LGA and asked the government to make a position of coastal minister, this request was denied.
North Devon District Council car park consultations are underway, charges, restrictions etc.
North Devon District Council are looking at a 1-million-pound deficit next year.

10/2024 Register of outstanding matters / matters arising from the minutes:
More gritting salt has been requested from DCC and will be distributed to the snow wardens.
The Clerk reports that the quotes for the play area railings for Woolacombe play area were all in the 20k region and other solutions are being considered.
Combesgate beach has been cleaned.
The Parish Council has a new Instagram account.
The drains at the Royal are being investigated by Blue Acorn.
The Market on the meadow was discussed and the Clerk raised the point that this is prohibited on the lease and recommended Combesgate Green as the location. In principle the Parish Council are favour of a market in Woolacombe.
Meadow CCTV installation is complete.

11/2024 Traffic Measures: It was decided that Barton Road, Arlington Road, West Road, South Street and from the top of chapel hill to Mortehoe post office should be 20 mph, this request will be passed to DCC Andrea Davies.
An the electric speed sign will be recommended for between Woolacombe Sands to the Village hall, once suitable posts have been found.

12/2024 The Parish Plan / Emergency Committee: Emergency plan: we are still awaiting a response from Martin Rich to give his presentation in January or February.
The Parish plan: The Clerk has been in contact with the Chair of Teignmouth, who have recently finished their town plan for advice and discussed potential grants for surveys going forward.

13/2024 Matters Brought Forward with the Consent of the Chairman:
The car that has been parked for several weeks on West Road has gone.
The water bill for Mortehoe Cemetery is still being disputed.
Talk of some kind of memorial for Shirley Bowden was discussed, the Parish council would like to hear more of a wider range of views from the community.

14/2024 Payments for Authorisation

Time: 16:57:34 Payments for Authorisation
Report Date: 15/01/2024
Include future transactions: No
Exclude Later Payments: Yes
**** NOTE: All report values are shown in Base Currency, unless otherwise indicated ****

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BG	British Gas	305.81
BLOOM	Bloom Brothers	650.00
NDDC	NDDC	385.40
OCC	Occasional Suppliers	33.00
STAFF	Emma Stafford	160.00
PKF	PKF Littlejohn LLP	756.00
SFB	SOURCE FOR BUSINESS	114.38
STAR	Pete Starbuck	2083.33
SWW	SWW	286.99
Daniel Bleasdale		1768.85
Marie Hedger		83.60
Shelly Duncan		245.97
paye		466.33
	Totals:	7339.66

Part 2
Correspondence not requiring discussion is available in the Council Chamber
Part 3
Confidential Matters

15/2024 The National trust meeting was discussed.

16/2024 A pre app for the bus stop has been submitted.

Yours faithfully ***Daniel Bleasdale***
The meeting ended at 8.25 p.m.