Minutes of the meeting of Mortehoe Parish Council held in the Council Chamber, The Esplanade, Woolacombe, on Monday July 17th 2023 at 7.00 p.m.
Present: Members: K Cook (Chairman), D Barron (Vice Chairman), M Wilkinson , J Dicker, O Bell, S Phillips, S Woodman, D Duffield.
Clerk: D Bleasdale-
Also Present: 4 members of the public.

118/2023 Apologies for absence: J Dicker, Andrea Davis,

119/2023 Public Speaking: Members from Wessex Strategic and North Devon Housing presented their plans to build 105 homes in Woolacombe application 76809, this application will go to Major Planning at North Devon Council.
Mrs Biddle spoke on behalf of her mother and other residents of Seymour Bungalows to object to application 77185.

120/2023 Police Report: Lesser violence 1, Violent crime 1, Theft 1.

121/2023 Declaration of Interests: Councillor Cook is involved with AONB planning. Councillor Richards owns the house next door 77259.

122/2023 Minutes: It was Proposed to APPROVE as a correct record and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on June 19th at 7pm in the Council Chamber.

123/2023 County Council Report: See Attached.

124/2023 Planning

77328 Extension to agricultural shed & associated works at Little Ivycott Access To Ivycott Farm Woolacombe Devon EX34 7HL. Approval proposed by Councillor Woodman Seconded by Councillor Barron, decision unanimous.

77259 Erection of low level decking at Sunningdale Woolacombe Station Road Woolacombe Devon EX34 7AW. Objection proposed by Councillor Duffield Seconded by Councillor Woodman, Proposal
passed, two abstentions. Objection on the grounds of loss of amenity. The change is not in keeping with the surrounding properties. This is an over intensification of decking. Significantly privacy issues overlooking the neighbours.

77185 Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a detached dwelling together with the erection of a garage and re-roofing of adjoining property (amendments to and resubmission of 72487) to 2 Seymour Bungalows Sandy Lane Woolacombe Devon EX34 7AR. Objection proposed by Councillor Bell Seconded by Councillor Duffield, decision unanimous. This development doesn't fit in with the street scene. This is a severe over development of the plot (The size of the building footprint is significantly larger than the existing building). Loss of amenity for neighbouring properties, huge visual impact and altering the skyline massively (The hight of the development). Does not allow right of way to

residents shared space. Also worth noting The "Garage" doesn't appear to have car access.

REFUSED

76269 Application for lawful development certificate for proposed siting of 167 touring caravans, static caravans, camper vans and tents, with the proportion of each type unrestricted, for tourist accommodation at Bay View Farmers Caravan and Camping Sites Turnpike Cross Woolacombe Devon EX34 7HG

76192 Internal & external alterations to form new flat roof balcony at Shoreview Mill Lane Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BR

APPROVED

76999 Repair of boundary wall at Little Beach The Esplanade Woolacombe Devon EX34 7DJ

77018 Listed Building consent for repair of boundary wall between The Castle and Little Beach, The Esplanade, Woolacombe, EX34 7DJ

77140 Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 76381 (demolition and re-build of garage to provide ancillary accommodation/store together with creation of off-street parking space and associated garden works) to allow for the addition of a roof light to storage area at 4 Bank Terrace Arlington Place Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BL

77148 Erection of sundial/sculpture to existing viewing and information display terrace at Parkin Estates Ltd Car Park And Store Woolacombe Devon EX34 7BN

125/2023 District Council Report: A new water sports facility for Ilfracombe is officially open, offering a new home for local clubs and a destination for the community.

126/2023 Spring Classic: A meeting will be requested for after summer to discuss how the event went.

127/2023 Correspondence i) None

128/2023 Register of outstanding matters / matters arising from the minutes:
The Parish Clerk will chase up the installation of the play equipment ordered.

129/2023 AGAR: The audit was completed by Mrs Janet Keiff.

130/2023 The Parish Plan / Emergency Committee:
The clerk shall continue to liaise with the district council on the development of the parish emergency plan.

131/2023 Tarka Benches: Councillor Wilkinson will try and find the money to provide benches.

132/2023 The Pavillion/Meadow and Ramp:
Play Areas: The Play areas will be completed by August.

133/2023 Matters Brought Forward with the Consent of the Chairman:
Royal Hotel Footpath: This footpath has still not been repaired, the clerk with contact the footpaths officer again regarding this.
Gora Lane: The National Trust will be asked to clear the path and over head branches.

Payments for Authorisation

A/C	Name & Contact	Balance
ODLINGS	Odlings Plaques	105.60
BLOOM	Bloom Brothers	1650.00
SWW	SWW	794.85
DALC	Devon Association of Local Councils	36.00
LR	Lee Rulton	530.00
SRP.MTF	Jason Poulton Joiner	2292.15
STAFF	Emma Stafford	143.59
HITECH	H Tech Drains	152.00
NT	National Trust	15.00
STAR	Pete Starbuck	2083.33
D Bleasdale		1774.22
Roy Walker		876.58
Marie Hedger		1079.27
Shelly Duncan		1295.22
Noah Zeale		125.35
paye		1294.18
	Totals:	14247.34

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

134/2023 Meadow Complaints: Due to complaints regarding noise and event finishing times, a £150 deposit will now be taken for larger events.

135/2023 Spreacombe Road: Verdant leisure will be contacted again regarding the overgrown hedges.

Yours faithfully ***Daniel Bleasdale***
The meeting ended at 8.35 p.m.

Mortehoe Parish Council
County Councillors Report
July 2023

So sorry I can't be with you this evening, please let me know the outcome of your discussions about South Street traffic Regulation Orders, I do need to get it on the forward plan for traffic order requests, (in other words ignore the 'I'm on my annual family holiday' and I'll deal; with it on Tuesday morning after your meeting), likewise any questions please email me and I'll pick it up on Tuesday.
North Devon Link Road
At Borners Bridge a roundabout is operational. A new road layout now in place. Whilst this is not the final design, the roundabout is accessible for the residents of North Molton, whilst Station Road remains as left turn only.
There are new speed restrictions in place for the safety of the workforce and speed cameras are in place it is now 30mph There are some work under lights all along the Link Road over the next few weeks, this is night time only.
Recycled Bikes available at Recycling Centres. Fully serviced, reconditioned bikes are on sale at many of Devon's recycling centres from this week. This week is international Bike Week (5-11 June) and this initiative will reduce waste and offer more people access to cycling. With some brands of bike as much as 20 per cent more expensive than a year ago, it offers those who want to saddle up a chance to do so at an affordable price.
A specially trained team at SUEZ, who run the recycling centres on Devon County Council's (DCC) behalf, will repair the bikes from their new 'Re-Cycle Hub' at the Brunel Road facility in Newton Abbot. They will repair old bikes, no longer wanted by Devon residents, and give them a new lease of life. They will then sell them through the network of reuse shops in Devon's recycling centres. Each bike will be serviced and include a warranty. Each year an estimated 10,000 bikes come through the recycling centres in Devon as residents outgrow them, break them or get frustrated that they're taking up valuable space in the garage. £2 Bus fare until October 2023 Bus users will pay no more than £2 for a single journey when boarding the bus anytime until end October 2023. The fare will then be £2.50 from November 2023 to November 2024.

For more information on the £2 single fares scheme, terms and conditions and exclusions, visit the Travel Devon website.

Road defects (Potholes) As you'll be aware, an extremely high level of pothole defects across the network, following the cycle of prolonged cold and wet weather we experienced over the winter. To put this in context, around 26,500 potholes have been identified and passed to our contractor, Milestone, since January – this is around 8,000 or 30% more than for the same period last year. January alone saw almost 7,400 potholes identified, the most of any month in over 3 years. Similarly, the inspection team have assessed almost 35,000 reports of potholes from members of the public since January, compared to just over 14,000 last year. To tackle this backlog, teams across the Devon Highways partnership have worked very closely to enable re-prioritisation of resource so that safety critical defects on our highway network could be identified and repaired as effectively as possible. In order to achieve this some of our works programmes required adjusting, with schemes postponed or re-planned to free up available resource. We also had to make the difficult decision to temporarily cease

identification and repair of serviceability (i.e. those that don't meet the intervention requirements of our Highway Safety Policy) highway defects, so that the focus could remain on those defects that represented the biggest risk to users of our network. At times, we have had over 40 pothole repair gangs working across the County, along with repairs and inspections taking place during evenings and at weekends. I am pleased to report that, the number of potholes currently with Milestone for repair has now stabilised, sitting at around 800 (down from 3000 at its peak in February) and is much more in-line with the sort of volume we'd typically expect for this time of year. On this basis a number of the additionally resourced gangs have now returned to programmed works and we have very recently re-introduced the identification of non-safety defects, as we fully recognise the benefit of acting proactively and repairing these before they worsen and require attention at a later date. In other words fixing non safety defects in the vicinity of reported safety defects. Aside from traditional pothole repairs, the longer days help a great deal to ensure the dragon patchers are double shifting. There is also an additional 5th vehicle operating in the County this summer. Please keep reporting any defects you come across.

Reminder of how to report a Highway issue;
Report a problem - Roads and transport (devon.gov.uk)

0345 155 1004

Live chat is available on the Highways website Monday to Friday 9.30 am to 12 pm and 2 pm to 4.30 pm (4 pm on Fridays). To report a problem with road maintenance, traffic management and parking, streetlights and signs and public rights of way

Andrea Davis