

SOUTH POOL PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish meeting was held on Monday 4th April, 2017 in the Church Village Hall at 6.30pm.

Present – Cllrs. P. Evans, J. Milne, B. Perrett, M. Warren, P. Wotton and F. Green in the chair. Cllr. J. Brazil and 4 Parishioners, Cllr. J. Gardner (Stokenham) in attendance.

- 1. Apologies – Cllr. T. Hirst and Mrs. A. Lamble.**
- 2. Cllr. Brazil's Report – DCC –** Cllrs. Brazil reported on road repairs and maintenance, self help and the Community Enhancement fund. The road at Totnes Cross is to be repaired in the near future. School Funding DCC are still awaiting government figures but cuts in spending are expected, about 30.00 per pupil.
SHDC – The District Council are looking to invest in commercial property with borrowed money of about 80 million pounds, after rejecting the idea of an LCC. School transport for 16 – 18 year olds is no longer funded, pupils now have to attend education until 18 but fund their own transport.
- 3. Devon & Cornwall Police Report –** There was no report this month, Crime has been very low in South Pool this past year.
- 4. Public Forum – Camera at the Pontoon –**
A Parishioner asked to site a wild life and security camera at the Pontoon, it would be provided and funded by The Millbrook Inn. This would provide security for boat owners and a wildlife watching opportunity. The parishioner has spoken with the Harbour Master and two residents on the right hand side of the road, they have no objections. There would be no encroachment on Cliff End or Gullet. He also reported the BBC would like to bring a wildlife programme to South Pool. Chairman reminded the meeting The Pontoon area is in the Conservation Area, concern was shown over security following a visit from Google in the past. This item will be placed on the next meeting agenda. Frogmore now has a wildlife information board, Parish Council will gather further information at the next Estuary Forum which will take place shortly.

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4. Public Forum – Slipway Report –

Chairman stated the slipway is our historic heritage and in the Conservation Area.

Cllr. Wotton gave an update on progress made to date re materials to be used as advised by a conservation architect, work will have to be carried out over different tides to allow the for setting of lime mortar, the slipway will have to be closed when work is in progress but not for a very long periods of time.

Chairman’s Report – see separate note.

Finance Clerk’s Report – Current Acc.- 55.23

Business Acc. – 10,824.65

The accounts will be presented and audit forms completed at the AGM – Monday 8th May. The audit will then be formally advertised for 30 working days on the notice board and on the website. Electors of this parish can then exercise their right to inspect the accounts by appointment with the clerk.

This past year we have updated our Standing Orders for this parish Council.

Roads – potholes – Cllr. Warren gave an update, a map has been made of the potholes needing repair, the most urgent of these Cllr. Milne will take photographs and report to Highways.

The Chairman has spoken with Chivelstone & Stokenham re the road warden scheme, they do not have a qualified person to repair potholes both have applied for funding from the Community Enhancement Scheme, it was pointed out by Cllr. Gardner from Stokenham that Parish Councils have to match the funding applied for with this grant.

6. Minutes – Minutes of meeting 06.03.17. were approved and signed.

7. History Society – Cllr. Perrett reported the History Society files have been completed and are ready to be passed to The Parish Council for safe keeping.

8. Slipway – A letter had been received from Wotton Construction proposing that we repair an area of approximately 1 square meter to establish facts currently unknown re the amount of materials and other factors needed in this project before an accurate costing of the whole works is provided.

It was proposed by Cllr. Warren, seconded by Cllr. Milne, that

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Wotton Construction is given permission to carry out this small Repair passed unanimously.

There being no further business The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and support.

Mrs. L. Luckes proposed a vote of thanks to The Parish Councillors and Clerk for their work on behalf of the Parish this was seconded by Mr. P. Bieneman.

Chairman's Report –

The Parish Council has had 11 meetings and 2 planning meetings this year. Planning Applications – there have been five 4 approved and 1 still to go before SHDC planning.

Chairman, Cllrs. J. Milne & P. Wotton have attended several meetings on behalf of Parish Council they include CPRE, AONB, Estuary Forum and I have attended Cluster meetings and TAP meeting at SHDC.

Projects undertaken this past year – Lamp post has been painted by Cllrs. J. Milne & P. Wotton our thanks to them both, the box has been repainted awaiting a printed notice then it will go back in place

The Emergency Plan & Defibrillator are both in place ready for action, thanks to Cllr. Warren & Richard Manterfield for their hard work in setting up this project.

Cherry Tree has been replaced at Broken Pound thanks to Adrian Allen.

DCC has carried out a flood survey, awaiting their report.

Ongoing projects for the coming year –

Tidal Road sign to be renewed.

Farnacombe Hill to have work carried out by DCC.

Slipway – Parish Council to continue to work on this project.

Pot holes & Buddleholes – Parish Council continue to watch & report potholes, buddle holes are cleaned at our expense every 2 months.

Navigation Buoys – The Harbour Board.

A fibre optic company have carried out a survey of the village to locate suitable sites for installation, the hall car park is suitable but this will be a matter for The PCC.

Thank you to all Councillors & Parishioners for their help and support this past year. Date of the next meeting The AGM on Monday 8th May, 2017 at 6.30pm