

HALWELL & MORELEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 17th February, 2025 at 7pm

PRESENT: Councillors: N. Palmer, A. Dalgliesh, J. Mussen, H. Reeve, R. Tozer, P Westlake
In attendance: S. Winstanley (Clerk) Cllr. S. Rake

OPEN FORUM – One member of the public attended.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. R. Gilbert – No report

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr.S. Rake. –

- Garden waste collection - If signed up by the end of the month the charge is slightly less.
- Passed the budget last week but a desperately poor settlement has been received from government.
- Carparking charges have been approved – residents parking scheme will be discounted if you sign up to the scheme on line and pay £5 to register.
- £600,000 will be raised from 2nd homes council tax which will be used for housing.
- There will be County Council elections in May.
- Devolution – there are several schemes – a Plymouth unitary and the whole of the rest of Devon, or Plymouth taking a bit of SHDC and two others.

1. **APOLOGIES** - D. Treeby, J. Collins, M. McInerney, R. Gilbert

2. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th January, 2025** It was proposed, seconded and **Resolved** that the Chair sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable Pecuniary interests including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting – None

4. CLERK'S REPORT –

- J. Mussen has decided to resign after approximately 20 years of service to the Parish Council. The Chair expressed his thanks for his contribution.
- If there are any unpaid bills they need to be sent in as soon as possible.
- The legal position regarding co-option was explained.
- The date of the April meeting has to be changed to the 14th April.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT –

The indenture with which the PC was presented has been copied and is being kept by the County archive office.

6. **To consider co-opting Ryan Chalk or Jax Williams to fill the vacancy on the PC.**

Ryan Chalk was unanimously co-opted. It is hoped that Jax Williams might apply for the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of James Mussen.

7. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS - None

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS:-

a) To approve payment of the following bank transfer

- £369.92 - S. Winstanley (Jan)
- £40.00 – S. Winstanley (reimburse for ½ Microsoft 365)
- £480.00 – C.P Reeve – Cutting playing field
- £5865.00 – L. McCarthy – bus shelter
- £507.00 – Future Client – pump track
- £369.92 – S. Winstanley (Feb)
- £1488.00 – The Plastic Co. – pump track benches

b) Cash at bank £17,485.54

Pump track funds	Crowdfunder	12,103.20
	"	8,000.00
	Main Grant	20,000.00
	Bike fundraise	510.00
	DCC grant	1,000.00
	SHDC grant	1,000.00
	Section 106	7386.80
	"	2368.50
	Total Income	52,368.50

d) To discuss Lloyds Bank new rules for a monthly charge for the account
Clerk to report back next month

9. Report from the sub-committee to provide a pump track.

The official opening will take place on the 15th March at 11.30 am. A breakfast will be provided for contributors and the public who will be charged £10.

10. To discuss purchasing a second VAS - postponed to next meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE – No correspondence

11. COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS –

- P. Westlake – The play area fencing will be repaired temporarily by putting in additional posts.
- H. Reeve – wanted the insurance checked to ensure the pump track is properly insured.

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: at Halwell & Moreleigh Village Hall at 7pm on
17th March 2025**

SIGNED
Neil Palmer - Vice Chair

