

# AXMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL

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**A meeting of Axmouth Parish Council was held on Wednesday 21 January 2015, at 7pm at Axmouth Village Hall.**

## Minutes

### Those present:

Cllr Keith Lawes (Chair) Cllr Ken Steven Cllr Glenn Hyde Cllr Carol Rapley Cllr Irene Harrison  
Cllr Emily McIvor

**In attendance:** Becki Davey (Clerk), Cllr Jim Knight (DCC), Cllr Ian Thomas (EDDC) and Ros Davies (DCC)

The Councillors were summoned to attend a meeting of the Axmouth Parish Council to discuss the following matters:

1. **Apologies:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Alan Harrison, Cllr Roger Stokes and Cllr Crescy Cannan.
2. **Declarations of Interests:** None received
3. **The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 17 December 2014:** were approved and signed as a true record.
4. **Items to be dealt with after the public, including the press have been excluded:** Councillors agreed that there were none.
5. **Police Report:** There were no representatives of Devon & Cornwall Constabulary in attendance at the meeting. The Clerk reported that there had been one attempted theft. Damage was caused to a padlock on a boat moored at Axe Harbour between 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December.
6. **Public Forum:** No matters were raised.
7. **P3 Partnership – a presentation from Ros Davies, Public Rights of Way, Highways & Traffic Management.** Ros Davies gave an informative presentation on the Parish Paths Partnership scheme (P3). Councillors were able to ask questions. It was agreed that an item be placed on the agenda for February to decide whether to join the scheme. Ros left following her presentation, a copy of which is available to all Councillors. Councillors thanked her for her time.
8. **To accept reports and agree actions on Highway matters:**
  - a) **Maintenance items**
    - There were no new items to report
  - b) **Road Safety**
    - Please see County Councillor report below
9. **Planning.**
  - a) **To consider new planning applications:** There were no new planning applications for consideration.
  - b) **Planning Correspondence.** S106 for Boat Yard. Clarification is still required as to why the Parish Council was not warned of the possible loss of S106 monies for the above; instead, it appears that DCC are receiving the payment for Education. **ACTION: CLLR THOMAS** to contact EDDC for clarification.
10. **Financial Matters**
  - a) **The financial statement to 31 December 2014 was received.**

**The Council resolved to approve the financial statement to 31 December 2014.**
  - b) **Cheques:**

722	Axmouth Village Hall	£ 42.00	Hall Hire (Oct – Dec)
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The Council resolved to approve the cheques as listed above.

- c) **Budget/Precept 2015/2016** – The Clerk had previously issued a revised budget. Councillors resolved to increase the grant budget from £1000 to £1125 basing it on previous year's awards. The proposed budget has mainly increased due to DCC funding and services being considerably reduced. Cllr Rapley proposed the budget be approved, Cllr Hyde seconded. **ACTION: CLERK** to advise EDDC of the precept requested by Axmouth Parish Council (£11078.00).

d) **To consider grant request from CAB**

Cllr I Harrison proposed the Council approve the grant. Cllr Lawes seconded.

723	CAB	£ 75.00	Grant Award as above
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11. **Fixed Asset Review** – The Clerk received the forms back from the majority of the Councillors. **ACTION: CLERK** to remind remaining Councillors that the completed forms are required as soon as possible so that the data may be collated and a report can be prepared in readiness for the February meeting.
12. **Parishes Together Funding – 2013/14** – Cllr Lawes explained that there was still no interest shown for the tender for the lengthman services as all contractors deem the job to be too big. **ACTION: CLERK** to contact Uplyme for an update. **2014/15** The Clerk confirmed that the application for the current years funding is underway, working in conjunction with Seaton Town Council for new gateway signs. Closing date for the applications is 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015.
13. **Riverside Project** – No update. To be deferred to March meeting.
14. **Axmouth Community Volunteers Scheme** – Cllr Lawes explained the scheme to other Councillors and provided a list of areas and possible volunteers. **ACTION: ALL CLLRS** to study the scheme and contact Cllr Lawes with other possible volunteer details.
15. **Playground** – Cllr Rapley has met with a contractor on site and is awaiting quotes for required works. Clerk advised that the Annual Inspection will take place in March.
16. **Elections** – The forthcoming elections were discussed. 5 of the current 9 Councillors will not be standing again. **ACTION: CLERK** to devise a poster to be displayed to encourage local residents to consider standing.
17. **To accept reports and agree actions from the following:**
- a) **County Councillor. Church Street Pedestrian Footpath.** The white lines have been removed from the centre of the road. These will be replaced in the correct position. At the same time, white paint will be placed on the Harbour Inn ditch and the sloping ends of the kerb of the new footpath. Have to wait until the temperature is over 5° to do this. Cllr Knight also confirmed that following an accident along this stretch of road, the area has become a special safety issue, and he has used some of the Locality Funding for the footway to be coloured 'buff' to make it more visible. All Councillors thanked Cllr Knight for this. Again, the temperature has to be over 5° to do this. **No name lane.** Funds have been reinstated for creating concrete gullies along this road. This should be done before March 2015. **Higher Lane/Pound Lane.** Contact is being attempted to advise the owner of the hedging at this point of the village to cut it back as it is an obstruction to the Highway. **Boshill Cross Triangle.** Works will be done shortly to put this area back in order following the travellers stay.
- b) **East Devon District Councillor.** Please visit Cllr Thomas' website for further information. [www.trinitymatters.co.uk](http://www.trinitymatters.co.uk)
- c) **Parish Councillors.** No further reports.
- d) **Parish Clerk** Report received and accepted.
18. To accept any relevant correspondence - see Appendix A to the Agenda. All correspondence was accepted. Cllr Lawes suggested a letter be written to Axe Yacht Club advising that although the Council is unable to help financially, they wholeheartedly agree to the clubs application for a defibrillator. **ACTION: CLERK** to write to Axe Yacht Club.

**Date of the next meeting of the Parish Council Wednesday 18 February 2015.**

The meeting ended at 9:42pm

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Chairman: .....