

## Clyst Honiton Parish Council

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**There was a remote meeting of Clyst Honiton Parish Council on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 7.00pm held on ZOOM**

**Members Present:** Parish Councillors Gary Collier; Suzanne Hales (Chair); Grant Harrison; Mike Muir and Sean Wheeldon.

**Also Present;** Lynne Askew (NP/NDO Steering Group); District Councillors Eleanor Rylance and Sarah Chamberlain.

**In attendance:** Rob Martin, Clerk

**No members of the general public:**

### MINUTES:

**21/048 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Janvrin Edbrooke (NP/NDO Lead); District Councillors Ray Bloxham and Sarah Randall-Johnson.

**21/049 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY)**

No declarations were made.

**21/050 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020 and had been expanded to include details of the NP and NDO progress, and this version was **Agreed** as a correct record and would be signed by the Chairman when the situation allowed.

The minutes of the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020 were **Agreed** as a correct record and would also be signed by the Chairman when the situation allowed.

**21/051 COUNCIL REPORTS**

The attached **Clerk's Report** was **noted**. Cllr. Muir informed the Clerk of a wasp nest on the playing field, which needed to be removed. The Clerk undertook to ensure this was done.

**Clyst Honiton Neighbourhood Plan and Neighbourhood Development Order** – the NP/NDO lead had circulated her report for July 2020, as below.

**1. NP Reg 14 Draft Neighbourhood Plan.**

The Draft Reg 14 Neighbourhood Plan has been written and has been reviewed by Modicum Planning. The Draft is now being amended and updated and then the edited work can start in earnest. This involves entering Maps, photographs numbering figures etc. This latter is going to be done by Keith Walton.

Once the Draft is complete it will go to the NP Steering Group to be agreed and adopted.  
**(Sept Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> )**

Next step will be for the Draft Reg14 N. Plan to be a Parish Council Meeting agenda item in order for the Parish Council to agree and adopt the Plan. It is envisaged that this will be in the **September 8th<sup>th</sup> Meeting.**

Recommendation 1 : Parish Council to note progress and next steps.

**PROGRESS WAS NOTED.**

**2. Noise Assessment: 2 outstanding options**

EDDC have the Bypass site Noise Assessment report and are still requesting further information, they are yet to officially endorse the Report. The two outstanding aspects are: EDDC 1: An assessment of options for noise mitigation for the outside areas, including effective bunds and noise barriers, against impacts from ground-based noise sources. This consideration is very likely to involve further consideration of the layout of the scheme. This would usefully include modelling of bund / barrier options.

BAP – This is reasonable. However this depends on development of the masterplan. We modelled an indicative masterplan but understood that the masterplan was likely to change. When there is some certainty over the masterplan layout we can review to assess noise bund/barrier requirements to reduce noise levels within gardens and amenity spaces.

EDDC 2: Consideration of external, offsite areas. *ProPG: Planning and Noise* guidance indicates that the provision of a relatively quiet, protected, publically accessible, (off-site) external amenity space would usefully be kept under consideration while ‘significant adverse noise impacts remain’.

BAP – This is a reasonable request. The entire Clyst Honiton site is exposed to noise levels in excess of 55 dB L<sub>Aeq</sub> for aircraft noise. A desirable noise level for a private or public garden or amenity space is that noise levels should be less the 55dB. While it is feasible and reasonable to reduce road traffic noise to below these values using bunds and fences it is challenging/very difficult to achieve this for aircraft sound. In these circumstances planning and noise guidance suggests that for access for an off-site quiet space within a short distance (5 minute walk or around 400m) should be considered. The idea being that if someone wanted to sit outside and read a book they may be annoyed by the noise on their own garden but if they can quickly walk to a public park that offsets the adverse noise effect on the proposed development site. Look at the contours (attached) I suspect that there may not be any relatively quiet, protected, publically accessible amenity spaces outside of the contour. But can you advise?

These items can be mitigated.

1. This can be put into place as part of the Masterplan.
2. The allocation of River Clyst Park in the NP provides a place for locals to go which is outside the 55dB. The River Clyst Park site will need to be written into the NDO policy: “ A further site specific consideration tied in with the bypass policy that obliges the provision of that land for public use before housing can come forward on the bypass land. so that this is delivered prior to the houses being built on the site.”

Recommendation 2: For Parish Council to note, ask questions and acknowledge the implications for the design of the MasterPlan and Policy document for the NDO

**THIS MATTER WAS NOTED.**

### **3. Archaeology Desk Based Assessment and Geophysical Survey**

This is a compulsory aspect for NDO's and has to be submitted at Examination. Dave Chapman is securing funding from Locality to fund this work.

Recommendation 3: To note that further support from Locality is going to enable the Archaeology work and the NDO to progress.

**NOTED**

### **4. Transport Report:**

This is being commission by the Church Commissioners and is to be completed by the end of this week. Issues were raised about the design of the access areas and the need for further topological survey work. Dave Chapman said that Central lines will be able to provide any extra bits of work that might be required.

Recommendation 4: To note that further support from Locality is going to enable the Transport work to be completed and the NDO to progress.

**NOTED**

### **5. Key Progress points:**

**Reg 14:** The NPlan will be ready for this stage in October, but this phase will be delayed until the NDO is completed. This enables the consultation of the NP & NDO to be done together.

**Covid 19** has resulted in restrictions on public consultation events, the clerk will advise us on what can and cannot happen, in relation to public consultation closer to the date.

**Reg 16** EDDC would usually do a 6-week district wide consultation of the Clyst Honiton NP and NDO, at the moment this time period is being extended from 6 to 8 /10 weeks

**Referendum for NP/NDO** at present all referendums have been cancelled until May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021.

Recommendation 5: To note that Covid 19 is affecting the nature and timing of reg 14, reg 16 and NP/NDO referendums

**NOTED**

***The Chairman then closed the meeting to allow the District & County Councillors to report on their issues.***

## **21/052 PUBLIC AND OTHER BODIES' SESSION**

Lynne Askew asked whether there were any plans to deal with the dead trees at The Rectory/St. Michaels Hill intersection which had been on the list for felling a long time ago. The Clerk would attempt to find out the current position for the next meeting.

**District Councillor** Eleanor Rylance was asked about the current East Devon District Council position on its involvement in the Greater Exeter Strategic Plan work. She said that she had been one of the movers of the withdrawal from the GESP project, for a large number of reasons. Examples of the matters that were concerning her were:

- She was alarmed that there were contradictory policies in the proposal
- The GESP process had not, unlike most such things, been slowed down to accommodate the effects of COVID
- Consultations with councillors had, until this point, been minimal

- This appeared to be a tick-box exercise
  - She had expected it to contain strategic, transport, train line, bus policies, which it did not
  - It was all about building giant housing estates with no account having been taken of potential changes in circumstances caused by Brexit, Covid or Climate Changes.
  - This was not a proper consultation, and she and other councillors felt pressurised
- The conclusion was that the Strategic Planning Committee of EDDC had voted to withdraw from the project, a decision which had been called in and would be considered by full council on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

Mid Devon District Council had voted in a similar way and Teignbridge had taken a different stance.

The Clerk asked what this meant in relation to the EDDC Local Plan review that would be necessary in 2021, 5 years from its adoption. Cllr. Rylance said that this would have to start almost immediately and would concentrate on what would be necessary to supply housing for EDDC.

**District Councillor** Sarah Chamberlain agreed with her colleague and had nothing further to add to what had been said already.

#### 21/053 **GREATER EXETER STRATEGIC PLAN (GESP) PRESENTATION**

It had been expected that representatives from Stuart Partners Ltd would attend the meeting to outline their interest in land put forward as part of the GESP 'call for sites'. In the last two weeks however the Strategic Planning Committees of both East Devon and Mid-Devon District Councils had voted to withdraw from the GESP group. The consultant had, at the last minute, decided that in the light of this withdrawal it would be inappropriate to come in front of the Parish Council, at least until the future was more certain.

*The Chairman then reopened the meeting*

#### 21/054 **BANK RECONCILIATION**

The 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020 Bank Reconciliation statement was **Noted** and would be signed as a correct record when circumstances allow.

#### 21/055 **RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS TO DATE COMPARED TO BUDGET**

- The attached statement of Receipts and Payments compared to Budgets for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020 was **Noted**.
- The attached statement monitoring progress of the spend against available grant for the NDO/NP project was **Noted**.

#### 21/056 **RECEIPTS & PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

The payment of the invoices on the schedule below was **Verified** for the period since the last meeting:

Payee	Services	Amount £	Payment No.
<b>2020/2021</b>			
Vodafone	Mobile Phone	22.07	Direct Debit

Plandscape	Grass Cutting	88.22	202022
Clystnet Ltd	Hosting Charges	144.00	202022
RJ Martin	Expenses	99.89	202022
RJ Martin	Salary August 2020	829.94	202023
DCC Pension Scheme	Pension Contrib.	285.63	202023
HMRC	Tax/NI	250.00	202023
Modicum Planning	Neighbourhood Plan Health Check	1,000.00	202024
Zoom.co.uk	Monthly Access Charge	14.39	DC2106

Items in **bold** will be made following the meeting.

**21/057 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following Planning Application decisions and comments were unanimously **AGREED**:

Reference	Location	Proposal
None		

**21/058 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled remote meeting of Clyst Honiton Parish Council is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020, at 7pm.

**21/059 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

With the changes to the GESP status, there was no need for a confidential item.

**21/060 GREATER EXETER STRATEGIC PLAN (GESP)**

With the changes to the GESP status, there was no need for a confidential item.

**21/061 MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

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Date:.....

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