MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NORTH MOLTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER 2011 IN THE NORTH MOLTON VICTORY HALL

Present Councillor Dunn Councillor Procter, Councillor Janes, Councillor Gammon, Councillor Stanley, Councillor White, Councillor Bulled, Councillor Mather, Louise Harris Active Villages Campaign, Representatives of Young Farmers, Representative of Friday/Youth Club.

CHAIRMAN NOT PRESENT AT OPENING OF MEETING, IN ABSENCE OF VICE CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR WHITE TOOK THE CHAIR

290/12/11 1. Apologies Councillor Stucley (work) District Councillor Edgell (alternative meeting). Motion proposed to sanction this absence proposed Councillor Bulled, seconded Councillor Procter, all agreed.

291/12/11 2. Declaration of Interests None.

292/12/11 3. Devon and Cornwall Constabulary not present.

293/12/114. Representations from the public Councillor Procter said he had been approached regarding parking outside Penswell Cottage. Clerk to write.

COUNCILLOR DUNN ARRIVE AND TOOK THE CHAIR

Councillor Gammon reported no road salt at Three Ways or Great Heasley Cross. Signpost fingers at Hunniwins missing.

294/12/11 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of North Molton Parish Council held on Wednesday 9th November 2011 Motion proposed to adopt these minutes with the amendment of minute 286/11/11 the spelling of Stanley proposed Councillor White seconded Councillor Janes, all agreed.

295/12/11 6. Clerks Report Clerk read out letter from Victory Hall regarding the public toilet and a copy of her reply. Clerk advised footpath warden now to be Barry Lee. Letter from DCC regarding grants now received and response given.

296/12/11 7. Matters arising from these minutes not on Agenda Councillor Bulled asked if any official response had been received regarding Coombeshead planning application. Clerk advised no.

Councillor Procter reported problems still occurring with drains at Back Lane.

297/12/11 8. Items for Discussion

1. Active Villages – Louise Harris from Tone Leisure spoke to representatives from Young Farmers, Sports Club, Friday and Youth Club advising them of the funding available from the Active Villages campaign. This money cannot be spent on buildings or transport but can be used for new clubs, training or equipment. It covers any age group but there are targets to be met. The money is available for the next 18 months. If the money is used for a course this should run for say 8/10 weeks. Clubs representatives to go back to their clubs and discuss and reconvene in say February.
ii) Queens Diamond Jubilee. Councillor Gammon advised that he had a set of accounts and information regarding the Silver Jubilee event. Money for this was raised via a raffle draw. Councillors discussed some ideas such as street party, fireworks, bar b que etc. Motion proposed to set up a sub committee consisting of Councillor Dunn Councillor Gammon Councillor Stanley and the Clerk. Proposed Councillor Janes seconded Councillor White Committee to meet at Ken Gammons on Tuesday 7pm.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR EDGELL ARRIVED 8.40PM.

RICHARD SABLES FROM HIGHWAYS ARRIVED – matters reported to him included water issues on road at Back Lane Burcombe Wood and Sports Club road.

298/12/11 9. Chairmans Report/ Urgent matters brought forward by the Chairman
Councillor White to meet Councillor Procter on Friday 9.30am to put lights on the Christmas Tree.

299/12/11 10. Planning

Applications approved – none.

Applications refused – none.

Applications withdrawn – none.

Applications for consideration :

ENP62/49/11/005 Renewal of planning permission 62.49.08.002 (proposed conversion of building to form one unit of holiday accommodation (amendment to application62/49/07/002 and 62/49/07/003LB) together with new biodisc treatment tank and outfall together with listed building consent 62/49/07/003LB as above. Councillors discussed. Motion proposed to approve this application subject to comment that we would prefer to original design regarding windows opening onto road.

300/12/11 11. Finance

Balance of Community account stands at £1058.46 as at 30th November 2011

Balance of Bonus account stands at £5903.26 as at 10th November 2011.

Receipts – none.

ii) Payments

a) Clerks salary £178.38 contribution to telephone costs £10 plus stationery reimbursement not on agenda £24.57 total £212.95.


motion proposed to pay the above proposed Councillor Janes seconded Councillor Stanley all agreed, bar one abstention Councillor Procter.

301/12/11 12. Correspondence
a) Devon Library van service – copy on noticeboard and also to School for newsletter.

b) NALC re Olympic games 2012 – no response.

c) NDDC House to House Act – Councillors have not heard of this charity query regarding authenticity.


e) Parish Lengthsman programme – councillors advised that we have this service for two days every other month next year. Copy to RP and JD.

f) Strutt and Parker Diamond Jubilee – copy to Councillor Stucley

g) Exmoor National Park – Copy on notice board.

Additional correspondence received after preparation of agenda : none.

All newsletters to be placed in green bag.

302/12/11 13. **Reports** Councillor Gammon reported that North Molton Primary School have also been contacted by the Active Villages campaign regarding a separate pot of money.

Clerk asked what was happening with regard to the Who’s Who book. Councillor Procter advised this almost complete awaiting details re Sports Club – Councillor Dunn to arrange.

Councillor Mather advised that a resident of the bungalows opposite Bulleds is currently in hospital after a fall. He queried what the situation was regarding these bungalows as they appear to be being given to all tenants not just the elderly. These used to be almshouses and should be for elderly residents. Clerk advised that this matter had been brought up before and the response we had been given was that they were now part of the housing pool and not just for elderly.

Clerk asked to write to District Council to request that they be included in the decision as to who lives in these bungalows. They should be for elderly residents especially due to their location. Clerk to email a draft to Councillor Dunn.

303/12/11 14. **Matters brought forward by District or County Councillor** The planning permission for Heasley Mill Chapel has been granted. This is for local needs dwelling.

**Date and Time of Next meeting** Wednesday 11th January 2011 North Molton Victory Hall 7.30pm.

Meeting closed 9.50pm