MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NORTH MOLTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY
14th MARCH 2012 IN THE NORTH MOLTON VICTORY HALL

Present Councillor Dunn, Councillor Procter, Councillor Janes, Councillor Gammon, Councillor Stanley, Councillor White, Councillor Mather, District Councillor Edgell, PC Micallef PCSO Paul Henderson and the Clerk

332/3/12 1. Apologies Councillor Bulled. Motion proposed to sanction this absence, proposed Councillor Janes seconded Councillor Procter, all agreed.

333/3/12 2. Declaration of Interests None.

334/3/12 3. Devon and Cornwall Constabulary PCSO reported 7 calls, 4 domestic three child dialling999 one SportsClub false activation of alarm.

2 Crimes one unwanted text messages one minor injury assault.

PC Micallef asked if there had been any further reports of mini motos in Holdridge Lane as he had witnessed this recently. Queries raised over legality of using this lane PC Micallef to check.

335/3/12 4. Representations from the public Councillor Gammon reported that a static caravan and container have appeared in the field at Nadrid Cross that was refused planning permission. Clerk to write to Planning Department.

Clerk said that she wanted to raise with the council that it had come to her and Councillor Bulleds notice that Mrs Yvonne Smale had it appeared single handedly taken on the task of ridding the village of litter. Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to Mrs Smale.

Councillor Gammon reported a large pothole at Burcombe Hill close to the Firs. Councillor Mather said that there was also one on New Road near Wide Corner. Clerk to report.

336/3/12 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of North Molton Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th February 2012 Motion proposed to approve these minutes proposed Councillor Janes seconded CouncillorProcter all agreed.

337/3/12 6. Clerks Report

a) Jonathan Blake had returned my call and said that Young Farmers were happy to organise the building of the beacon.

b) North Devon Voluntary Service are looking for a volunteer – clerk to advertise.

c) Telephone call received from the Dog Warden. They report that they are only a two man team and cover a very large area and do not have the resources to patrol all the time. They have however been given specific times of day. Clerk to write to Jeremy Mann head of Environmental Health giving times of day and asking for an up date in four weeks.

d) Village hall advise that we would like the marquee at cost of £25

e) DCC logo emailed to Jack Stanley for the plaque for the playground.
f) Acknowledgement received for Best Kept Village entry.

g) Part night lighting started on 5th March.

h) Still no response re bungalows.

338/3/12  7.Matters arising from these minutes not on Agenda None.

339/3/12. 8.Items for Discussion

a) Queens Diamond Jubilee  Jack Stanley updated as follows:

Poster given to all councillors to give their comments.
Press release read out
Need to speak to the Worthingtons re electricity supply for band. Jack to do this.
Councillor White said he had a marquee for the bar.
Councillor Gammon confirmed all ok with BBQ
Clerk confirmed marquee for band.
Car parking – need to speak to Mrs Rumsam and school
Jack to organise press release.
Clerk advised that Friday/Youth Club would like to help with something. Children to do hats for the tea party. Clerk to telephone Rosie Courtney to advise.
Paul Henderson advised that there will be fireworks in South Molton on the night. If we would like he will delay the lighting of these until 10.30 so that they happen after the beacon lighting.

b) Laurels Playground  Clerk advised that she had been asked if the playground was open for use as some children had been told they were not allowed to play there. Councillor Dunn said that he would organise a laminated temporary sign. Councillor Stanley and Councillor Dunn to attend the AGM of the Old School on the following evening.

340/3/12  9.Chairmans Report/Urgent matters brought forward by the Chairman None.

341/3/12  10.Planning

Applications approved: NDDC53260 retrospective listed building consent for replacement external render and re-render of chimney stack installation of flue and internal alterations and repair at Huxtables North Molton.
Applications refused – none.
Applications withdrawn – none.
Applications for consideration:
NDDCS3541 Listed building application for installation of solar slate

**342/3/12 Finance**

Balance of Community account stands at £572.74 as at 31st January 2012
Balance of Bonus account stands at No balance available.
Receipts – none.

ii) Payments

a) Clerks salary £178.38 contribution to telephone costs £10 total £188.38 motion proposed to pay the above proposed Councillor Gammon seconded Councillor Stanley all agreed.

**343/3/12 Correspondence**

a) NDDC House to House collection – noted and filed.

b) NDDC Possible Housing/Community sites in your area – response to be given by Clerk.

c) Barnstaple Town Council Environment School – no response.


e) Best Kept Village competition – clerk to send in entry.

Additional correspondence received after preparation of agenda:

All newsletters to be placed in green bag.

**344/3/12 Reports** Councillor Bulled reported on the Consultative Parish Forum response required regarding election of members does not have to be a councillor can be a nominee motion proposed Councillor Bulled to respond in agreement proposed Councillor Janes seconded Councillor Stanley all agreed.

Councillor Gammon reported that he has spoken to a potential councillor who felt that he would have a conflict in the nature of his work. Poster to remain on board for co option.

Councillor White said that he felt that the green bag was not circulating between Councillors sufficiently.

Councillor Bulled reported that the Toddler Group have now been asked to join the Preschool.

Lower Poole site in progress should start in the Summer.

**345/3/12 Matters brought forward by District or County Councillor** District Council taking same route as County with no increase in council tax. District Council pursuing further cuts.

**Date and Time of Next meeting** Wednesday 14th March 2012.
Meeting closed 9.45pm