MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NORTH MOLTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY
16th MAY 2012 IN THE METHODIST CHURCH HALL

Present Councilor Dunn, Councilor Procter, Councillor White, Councilor Stanley, Councilor Mather, Councillor Janes, Councilor Bulled, Councilor Henderson PCSO Nick Rapier and the Clerk

360/5/12 Apologies District Councillor Edgell.

361/5/12 Declaration of Interests None

362/5/12 Devon and Cornwall Constabulary In the last 31 days there had been 6 calls, 3 weather related, 2 suspicious and one 999 abandoned call. No crimes reported. Thefts are occurring of large full gas bottles. There are various events occurring for the Jubilee weekend. Clerk read out April report which had not been received in time to give at April meeting as follows:

Reported barn fire, information regarding car being driven without insurance, suspect door to door sales, RTC down by bridge.

Chairman proposed a motion to move item 8) New Councillors forward all agreed. Mr Henderson was asked to leave the room. Clerk read out letter from Mr Henderson regarding application for co option onto the Council. Motion proposed to approve this application proposed Councillor Procter seconded Councillor White all agreed. Mr Henderson returned to the room and took his place as Councillor.

363/5/12 Representations from the public Councillor Stanley reported further dog fouling issue, clerk advised to contact Dog Warden.

364/5/12 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of North Molton Parish Council held on Wednesday 11th April 2012 Amendments to 353/4/12 and apologies from Councillor Mather email not received prior to meeting. Motion proposed to approve these minutes subject to these two amendments proposed Councillor Janes seconded Councillor Stanley all agreed.

365/5/12 Clerks Report Clerk has written to Highways department regarding the disabled entrance to the Victory Hall. The planters in the square are now done. DALC membership fee queried at April meeting last year was £214.36 £10.73 less. With regard to the Best Kept Village competition clerk asked what was to be done regarding weed areas and grass areas as these are looking very untidy. Councillors discussed, advised no weed spraying licence is required as work is being done voluntarily with a product which can be used by any householder. Clerk to put out a notice stating that weed spraying will be taking place as Parish Council are taking this over from Local Authority as funding not available for this anymore and anybody with an area which they particularly do not wanted sprayed should contact the clerk.

366/5/12 Matters arising from these minutes not on Agenda None.
367/5/12  8. Items for Discussion

ii) Queens Diamond Jubilee  Councillor Janes advised that he would be applying for a licence for the Jubilee event which will cover the music, food and bar. Clerk to check with insurers regarding public liability insurance.

Councillor Stanley advised that publicity has been done with the help of Paul Henderson. Band have confirmed booking they have their own electrical equipment.

Additional musicians Martin Griffin and Margaret Kingdom.

Councillor Gammon confirmed that the bbq is all ok.

Car parking – Councillor Stanley will go around properties surrounding the Square and put notes through doors for those who are not available at the time.

All helpers to set up evening event should attend Court Hall at 11am.

Children tea party will not be held in the playground as it is felt that this will be safer.

Tables to be transported from Heasly Mill Hall, Councillor Gammon can use trailer for this. Chairs if required from Methodist Hall.

Beacon – Councillor Bulled confirmed all in hand, Young Farmers will be building the beacon on the day.

Councillor Stanley confirmed booking for 3 toilets.

Raffle prizes, most in afternoon at tea event with £50 note to be raffled during evening event.

Clerk to obtain raffle books.

Clerk to clear notice board and put up posters to draw attention to event.

iii) Laurels Playground  Councillor Stanley confirmed plaque ordered. Gate in poor condition needs looking at.

iv) Audit return  Councillors given copy of audit form together with bank reconciliation and explanation of variation in figures. Motion proposed to approve the audit form proposed Councillor Gammon seconded Councillor Stanley, all agreed.

368/5/12  9. Chairmans Report/Urgent matters brought forward by the Chairman
Chairman advised that he and C councillor White had attended the meeting at the Civic Centre relating to the future of the parish grant. NDDC want to remove this grant, all attending disagree and want this to continue. NDDC would only save £80,000 to £100,000 by cutting this grant.

369/5/12  10. Planning
Applications approved NDDC53645 Listed building application for installation of air source heat pump and removal of concrete floor and installation of damp proof membrane and under floor heating Swan House North Molton

NDDC53594 Retrospective listed building consent for reinstatement of North West chimney and North West gable Higher Poole North Molton

NDDC53536 Installation of air source heat pump Swan House North Molton

NDDC53541 Listed building application for solar slates to rear Swan House North Molton

Applications refused – none.

Applications withdrawn – none.

Applications for consideration:

ENP62/49/12/002 Proposed slurry store Higher North Radworthy South Molton. Motion proposed to approve this application proposed Councillor Bulled seconded Councillor White all agreed.

Applications received after preparation of agenda:

**370/5/12 11.Finance**

Balance of Community account stands at £ 10,109.61 as at 30th April 2012

Balance of Bonus account stands at £ 4366.35 as at 30th April 2012

ii) Receipts – first half years grant and precept £2,560.50

Initial payment from DCC grant for Laurels Playground £7500

iii) Payments

   a) Clerks salary plus contribution to telephone costs £10 total £188.38

   b) DALC membership £225.09

   c) Tekline Publishing £349.00

   d) North Molton PCC first half years grant £500

   e) North Molton Victory Hall first half years grant £100

   f) Heasly Mill Hall first half years grant £100

   g) Additional received after preparation of agenda Sherry Lynch £31.50 reimbursement of cost of plants for Square. Motion proposed to pay all the above proposed Councillor Gammon seconded Councillor White, all agreed.

**371/5/12 12.Correspondence**

a) Malcolm Gingell SMTC – Councillor Gammon and Councillor Dunn to attend.
All newsletters to be placed in green bag.

372/5/12 13. Reports Councillor Henderson reported that the police will not patrol for public events now except for British Legion.

373/5/12 14. Matters brought forward by District or County Councillor – not present.

Date and Time of Next meeting 13th June North Molton Victory Hall 7.30pm

Meeting closed 9.45pm