Present: Councillor Bulled (Chairman); Councillor Dunn (Vice Chairman); Councillor Kelland (left meeting at 09.01 pm); Councillor O’Brien (left meeting at 09.05 pm); Councillor Palfreyman; Councillor Peek; Councillor Platt; Councillor Procter; Councillor Smaldon; District Councillor Edgell (left meeting at 09.23 pm) and the Parish Clerk, Noel Brooks


103/08/17 2. Declaration of Interests: Cllr Kelland Re: Planning Application: 57625 & Chairman Bulled Re: Planning Application: 63362 - both cllrs stood down from the debates and voting on the applications concerned.

104/08/17 3. Devon and Cornwall Constabulary: The Clerk had been informed by local Beat Officer, Warrick Lansdell, that monthly crime information specific to North Molton would no longer be provided, following a review on the future of how Devon & Cornwall Police would liaise with parishes. Factors governing the decision included: the ready availability of such information on the internet and local media; the pressure on police resources; changes in the emphasis of local policing with more effort being concentrated on crimes which caused the greatest risk and harm to the community and data protection concerns. In place of the previous reporting format, South Molton Police would endeavour to provide clerks with a general monthly regional newsletter. As the new format would likely involve a two page generic policing report, the Clerk suggested to cllrs that this slot in the Minutes be reserved for any specific local issues raised by cllrs - the Clerk would forward the proposed Newsletter to cllrs by e-mail for their perusal - all agreed.

105/08/17 4. Representations From The Public: Chairman Bulled had been approached by Barbara Rands who wanted to erect a memorial seat opposite the Mines - all agreed subject to Chairman Bulled ascertaining the ownership of the bench and reporting back to cllrs in the first instance - if it were intended for the Parish Council to own the seat then this would carry with it insurance and maintenance costs - Action: Chairman Bulled. In respect of Planning Application No: 57625, below, various members of the public expressed concerns regarding highway safety, drainage and sewerage arrangements with one member questioning whether or not the application should have been presented as an amendment when the proposed new access in Heasley Mill Road did not correspond with supporting documents relating to the original access point in Oakford Villas. In respect of Planning Application No: 63360, below, two members of the public expressed their concerns regarding: 1) the steepness of the proposed access road; and, 2), the site for the revised building plot which encroached upon land which was understood to have been previously designated by NDC as an agreed buffer between any development and the Sports Club. Cllr Procter had received representations regarding potholes in New Road. Action: Cllr Procter is to log the issue on DCC’s website.

106/08/17 5. Planning

Planning Applications For Consideration Received Since Last Parish Council Meeting

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<td>Land Off Back Lane/Heasley Mill Lane, North Molton</td>
<td>Cllrs voted 4 in favour of and 4 against this application.</td>
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<td>Outline Application For 25 Dwellings, Associated Landscaping &amp; Formation Of New Road Access (Amended Description &amp; Amended Plans)</td>
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Whilst cllrs were evenly split on the vote, they all agreed that visibility and safety at the north-west end of The Square should be fully considered by NDC along with the provision of a pavement in Back Lane before approving the application.
62439 The Old Waterworks, North Molton EX36 3LP
Comment Only
(Ms T. Blackmore)
Application For A Lawful Development Certificate
For The Existing Use Of The Old Waterworks As One Dwelling

Cllrs commented that it might not be appropriate for the applicant to apply for a full residential occupation certificate when he was only living in the property occasionally. There was concern regarding potential flooding by the dam. Cllrs recommended that the Planning Authority contact the Water Authority regarding the status and ownership of the dam and whether or not it was being adequately maintained in order to avoid flooding.

63360 Land South Of Old Barns, North Molton
Supported
(Ms T. Blackmore)
Erection of 1 Industrial Unit

63362 Lower Poole Barns, Fore Street, North Molton, South Molton, Devon EX36 3HL - Approval Of Details In Respect Of Discharge Of Conditions 7 (Energy), 8 (Northern Boundary Treatment), 18 (Noise), 19 (Contamination), 26 (Infrastructure Including Roads & Drainage) & 29 (Access Road) Attached To Planning Permission 50080
No Comment
(Ms J. Watkins)

Planning Applications Advised Since Last Parish Council Meeting

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<td>Lower Poole Barns, Fore Street, North Molton - Erection Of One Dwelling (Plot 13)</td>
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107/08/17 6. Approval of the Minutes of The Meeting of North Molton Parish Council Held on 12th July, 2017 - approved unanimously by those cllrs who had attended the meeting.


Purchase of Paint to Refurbish the BT Phone-box - The Clerk had paid £35.04 inclusive of VAT for the paint and was awaiting its delivery.

North Devon Link Road Consultation Response to NDC - The Clerk had completed the on-line questionnaire in line with the 12th July Minutes.

NALC Consultation On Local Government Pay 2018-19 - The Clerk had responded with the view that cllrs would wait for the Pay Review Board’s recommendations.

North Devon Hospice - The Clerk had written to the Hospice expressing cllrs’ agreement to another Mission Unbreakable event proposed for 15th October, 2017.
Non-functioning Street Lights In Lower Poole & Roberts Field - The Clerk had forwarded a memo to cllrs from Paul Young providing DCC’s latest position on this issue - whilst DCC regretted any inconvenience to the public, it was obliged to follow due legal process and call in the Bond to complete the infrastructure works up to an adoptable standard. **Action:** The Clerk would continue to chase DCC for updates on the situation.

Barely Visible White Lines in Fore Street Where Vehicles Are Required To Give Way - DCC had carried out the works.

Footpath 1 - N. Molton to S. Molton Via R. Mole - Improvement of Section of Bridleway Under Link Road To Make It Safer for Walkers & Horse-riders - The Clerk had chased DCC and was awaiting a response.

Footpath 1 - Cast-aside Damaged Gate in Dure Lane and Its Pending Replacement - The Clerk had chased the Footpath Warden on this issue and was awaiting a response.

Applications For Free Green Bin Service For Laurels Playground and All Saints Church - The Clerk had chased NDC as no response had been received. Cllr Kelland reported that the green bins had been removed. **Action:** The Clerk would continue to chase the issue.

Build-up of Debris Under an Archway of Bicknor Bridge Over The River Mole - DCC had investigated the issue and found that the debris was no longer present.

Lower Poole Development - Second Phase - 50% S.106 Funds Due Upon Commencement of Works - NDC had confirmed that the case was under review. The Clerk would continue to chase NDC for information.

Roberts Field Development - Unpaid S.106 Public Open Space Contribution & Related Raised Manhole Cover Damaging Vehicles in Old Road, Lower Poole - The Clerk was continuing to chase NDC for progress on the request for the funds from the developer/Injunction to enforce the Section 106 Agreement.

Memorial On New Road - The Road Traffic Accident Prevention Officer in Exeter had explained that the lady who had lost her son in the accident and who had erected the memorial was regularly away in Australia on touring holidays - she only returned to the UK for a couple of weeks a year. The Officer had requested the FLO involved to e-mail her with a view to the Officer meeting with her on her return to Devon to discuss the situation and the kind offer which had been made by the landowner. The memorial was being maintained by her extended family in her absence.

Highway Maintenance Community Enhancement Fund 2017-18 - The Clerk had applied in May for a further tranche of £3,900 in respect of Highways Committee-related works. DCC had rejected the application on the grounds that Road Wardens had been given priority along with those parishes which had never submitted an application before. North Molton Parish Council could not re-apply until it had demonstrated full use of the £3,900 it had received in May by submitting copy invoices together with supporting photographs of works completed and confirmation by cllrs of works completed.

109/08/17 8 Matters Arising From The 12th July, 2017 Minutes Not On This Agenda - Cllr Procter referred to the previous matter of the over-grown hedge at 22 Oakford Villas which was still not resolved. **Action:** The Clerk is to write to the NDH tenant/s concerned to request, politely, for such person/s to attend to the issue.

110/08/17 9. Items For Discussion

Presentation By Toby Russell Of Devon Air Ambulance - Due to the lengthy debates on the above planning cases and his commitments elsewhere, Mr Russell had to abandon his presentation; he would forward information to the Clerk for onward transmission to cllrs for their consideration. The Clerk would place this item on the September Agenda, should decisions be required.
Highways Project Team Update - Cllrs agreed, unanimously, for Darren Phillips of Forks2U to be appointed in respect of edge-ploughing/water-tableing works. Cllr Peek reported that I. Woollacott would continue with drain clearance and maintaining the drains he had previously cleared. Drainage works would be held abeyance until expected significant rainfall in early autumn when finer priorities could be established against the Parish Council’s priority list for such works. Two referees with Skanska experience would ensure that standards were met in a timely fashion. Certain hedges had been trimmed by I. Woollacott at a cost of £1,575 which was £50 over budget - the benefits were readily apparent to those driving around the parish. The Clerk reminded cllrs that it was essential for audit and future-funding purposes for the Team’s members to maintain a detailed log of all the works undertaken, obtain photographs of completed works, where possible, and provide confirmation of works completed to the Parish Council’s satisfaction.

View Of The Parish Council Sought On The Electoral Review Of North Devon - Warding Arrangements - District Councillor Edgell explained that the objective was to equal-up the number of electors in each ward and reduce the number of wards for NDC from 43 to 41 in order to cut costs. As the Boundary Commission had provided no specific proposal, cllrs agreed, unanimously, for the Clerk to respond with the view that the reduction was sound, in principle, but that the Parish Council could not comment further until a detailed proposal was made available.

Adopted BT Phone Box Update - Cllr Palfreyman reported that the refurbishment works were dependent upon the procurement of the relevant paint which had been ordered by the Clerk. Cllr Dunn reported that the History Society had not yet met to discuss the possible uses of the facility.

111/08/17 10. Chairman’s Report/Urgent Matters Brought Forward by The Chairman -

Bridge & Sewage Issues In East Street - The bridge had been repaired and the sewage issues had been resolved.

Coping Stone Work In East Street - The work had commenced although there was concern over the quality of the work executed.

Weed-spraying In The Parish - The Chairman had erected notices explaining that a second round of weed-spraying would take place on Wednesday 23rd August, 2017 - those who had previously elected not to have weed-spraying carried out in front of their properties would continue to have their wishes observed.

112/08/17 11. Finance

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i) Receipts: a) None

ii) Payments:

a) Clerk's Net Monthly Pay & Expenses - £314.79 - Net pay: £282.24 plus contribution to telephone & office costs of £15.00 and travel expenses of £17.55;

iii) Any Other Accounts Received After Preparation of Agenda: None

Unanimously, cllrs agreed to pay the above sums.

113/08/17 12. Correspondence - None
Laurel’s Playground - Cllr Procter reported that the goal post cladding required replacement. **Action:** The Clerk is to obtain quotes for consideration by cllrs at the next meeting. The mats still required lifting and attendant cleaning. The wall owned by the Feoffees still required attention which was a previous action for Cllr Geen.

Heasley Mill Village Hall - Cllr Procter announced that a new Notice Board had been erected and provided the Clerk with instructions on how to access it.

Heasley Mill - Flooding - Cllr Platt reported that expert advice was still being sought by those affected.

**115/08/17 14. Matters Brought Forward by District Councillor** - None

**Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting:** Wednesday 13th September, 2017 at 7.30 pm in Victory Hall, North Molton

The Meeting closed at 9.32 p.m..