**KENTISBURY AND TRENTISHOE PARISH COUNCIL.**

**Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 3rd**

**March 2025, in Kentisbury & Trentishoe Village Hall at 7pm.**

**Councillors present: (Chair) Dunn, Mathers, Isaac, Harper Davis, , Pile**

**Clerk: D Bleasdale**

**Also Present: C Cllr Davis**

1/3/25 Public Participation: None

3/3/25 Apologies Absence. Cllr Walley, Cllr Waller

4/3/25 Declarations of Interest. Cllr Pile left the meetings for the grass keep discussion and decision.

5/3/25 Police Report: There has however been a suspicious incident during the early hours in Arlington Beccott, where what is believed to be a white flatbed Ford Transit has stopped outside of the entrance to a farm and males from exited the vehicle and entered the farm yard with torches. Nothing was stolen on this occasion but it appears the males may be looking for unlocked farm machinery to steal. No numberplate has been identified for the vehicle, but I would ask that if anyone sees a similar vehicle driving around at unusual hours, could they possibly obtain a registration number of the vehicle and I can complete checks on it. Can I also please ask that all machinery is locked away where possible and that keys are not left in the vehicles.

Following on from this previous report a local farmer in Kentisbury has discovered that a large industrial Wood Cutter/Splitter was stolen from a field location in Bratton Fleming sometime between the middle of January and 25th February 2025 and was hoisted over a hedge to remove it.

6/3/25 Approval of the Minutes for the 6th March 2025 Accepted as a correct representation of the meeting. Proposer Cllr Pile, seconded by Cllr Mather, decision unanimous.

7/3/25 County Councillor Mrs A Davis: To provide some quotes for the bus stop so that the Parish can get 50% grant from county: Attached full report.

8/3/25 District Councillors M Prowse: Not Present.

9/3/25 Matter arising from the minutes: The Clerk found a duplicate planning anomaly where a planning application had been submitted twice.

10/3/25 Clerk’s actions from the last meeting. Chris the lengthsman has done the sign cleaning and cleaned the drains. Still tweaking the website, trying to find the right balance between user friendly and informative. he said he will get round to the gully as soon as he has a chance. The website should look different by next month.

11/3/25 Field lease tenders: Rux Field was leased to Gemma Laird, proposed by Cllr Harper Davis seconded by Dunn decision unanimous. The Parish field was leased to D Pile, proposed by Cllr Dunn seconded by Mather decision unanimous.

12/3/25 To appoint an Auditor: Janet Keiff was appointed, proposed by Cllr Dunn seconded by Cllr Pile decision unanimous.

13/3/25 Planning to consider.

62/62/25/001 Lawful development certificate for the existing use of ancillary accommodation as self-contained dwelling at The Cottage, Trentishoe Coombe, Trentishoe, Parracombe, Barnstaple, EX31 4QB. Approval proposed by Councillor Dunn Seconded by Councillor Pile, decision unanimous.

14/3/25 Planning Decisions:

Approved

79442 External cladding of dwelling and external alterations to provide a covered decking area and a pergola (Farm house) & Change of use of communal dining room, demolition of store and extension to form part of the existing holiday let together with external alterations to include decking at Longlands Farm Combe Martin Ilfracombe Devon EX34 0PD

15/3/25 Finance Balances will be tabled.

Treasurers account £9506.08

Business Bank Account £3.177.93

16/3/25 To approve the following payments:

12 hours payment for parish Clerk, plus £9.60 travel allowance.

Proposed approval of payments, proposed by Cllr Harper-Davis, Seconded by Cllr Isaac decision unanimous.

17/3/25 Items raised by the Councillors/Clerk: Devon County Council 50% grant, the clerk will get tenders.

18/3/25 Urgent items received between the publication of the agenda and the meeting. Cllr Pile raised the issue of ice on the roads recently and if a sign could be purchase.

19/3/25 To agree a date of the next meeting. 7st April 2025

Part 2 Confidential Matters.

20/3/25 Allotment Charity Funds - reissue cheque: The Clerk will investigate this matter.

Meeting closed 20:10