



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
POLTIMORE PARISH COUNCIL
ON MONDAY 23rd AUGUST 2021 AT 7 PM**

Present:	James Feesey	-	Councillor Chair
	Esme Gibbins	-	Councillor
	Richard Smith	-	Councillor
	Val Langabeer	-	Councillor
	Sara Randall-Johnson	-	County Councillor
	Jonathan Wright	-	Poltimore House Rep.
	Jennie Edwards	-	Clerk
	Members of the Public	-	One

73/21 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Lisa Thomas, Cllr R Gibbins, C Cllr H Gent,

74/21 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

To receive and resolve Declarations of Interest not currently on Councillors' ROIs and receipt of request for new Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) dispensation on items on the Agenda. **No change**

75/21 MINUTES The minutes of the APM meeting held on 26th July 2021 **were resolved and approved** as a correct record, signed, and dated accordingly.

Standing orders suspended

76/21 COUNTY MATTERS County Councillor to send in a report.

77/21 POLTIMORE HOUSE REPORT Progress being made on the repair of the porch. The Cafe had struggled with volunteers, but hopefully now it will be open on Tuesdays and Thursday.

78/21 PUBLIC QUESTIONS No questions asked

The meeting reconvened with Standing Orders

79/21 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Village Hall repair to the boundary wall. A request had been received from the Hall committee enquiring if the Council would be able to give a contribution. Unfortunately, the Council are not in a position to give a contribution, due to the Council having to pay for the repair of the tarmac on the entrance to the hall.
2. Repair of tarmac at the entrance of the Village Hall. The Clerk had tried to get three quotes without success. Stag Construction had sent in a quote which all Councillors present agreed to.
3. Notice of Election for Exe Valley Ward. Due to the resignation of District Councillor an election for a new candidate will take place on 23rd September 2021

4. Changing the day for the Parish Council meetings. A request had been received if the Council could change their meeting day to a Wednesday. A vote was taken, and the result was even. Councillors not in attendance to be contacted.

80/21 FINANCE To resolve to approve the Bank reconciliation.

Bank Balance as at (14 June 21)	£9,407.64p
Bus: Interest Account	£1,017.40p
Payment of Clerk's Salary s/o	£322.14p
Payment of website Direct Debit	£54.00

No Cheques required:

All Payments resolved by all Councillors

81/21 PLANNING

19/1799/MOUT	Land at Park Farm (Phase 3) West Clyst	Erection of up to 200 no. dwellings with associated access, infrastructure, and areas of public open space/landscaping; outline planning application with all matters reserved except the access. Environmental Statement.
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Comments

With reference to the comments that the Council made in June 2020 and reading the observations from other consultees, the Environmental statement does not change the views of the Council.

Page 33 of the Environmental statement referring to listed monuments. The Churchyard Cross is in St Mary's Churchyard Poltimore not Pinhoe. Poltimore Church is also a Grade I listed building. There are 2 listed items of great significance, the Ancient monuments Poltimore Bowles which are just off the B3181 leading in to Poltimore Road, and 2 more at Bowls Cross on the way to Killerton, which were not mentioned.

Due to the pandemic, traffic flow nationally has been much reduced over a considerable time period. This is certainly the case for the Pinhoe/Poltimore area but, with vehicular traffic levels now returning to pre-pandemic levels there is growing evidence of the need for further infrastructure improvements. The B3181 in particular is already experiencing significant delays due to increased traffic flow from new developments.

21/2122/MRES	Land at Pinn Court Farm Pinncourt Lane EX1 3TG	Application for reserved matters approval (layout, appearance) of the phase 3 internal road
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Comments:

The traffic from this site will emerge from Parkers Cross on to the B3181 where, as already stated, there is high levels of traffic congestion.

Poltimore itself is experiencing significantly increased traffic flow as it is used as a 'rat run' to Exeter in order to avoid delays to access and flow on the B3181 itself. The building of any further dwellings could only further exacerbate this situation and it is essential that further consideration be given to traffic flow management in the form of roundabouts or traffic lights. Consideration also needs to be given to school and GP/healthcare provision as these services are already under severe strain.

We believe that there should be urgent exploration of alternative or improved public transport availability such as regular bus provision and more frequent and affordable train services so as to reduce the perceived need for private car usage. Public transport provision needs to be easily accessible, frequent and affordable if it is to impact favourably on car usage in rural areas where private cars are seen as essential for the maintenance of an acceptable standard of living and access to wider services."

82/21 MATTERS FOR ACTION

1. Rolling Community Projects.
 - Bus shelter wall repaired ready for painting.
 - Benches and noticeboard in the process of being cleaned.
 - Volunteer group be formed to enhance the garden which is situated at the far end of the churchyard next to the Lime Avenue.
2. Website updated

72/21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING **Wednesday 27th October 2021 at 7pm**

The meeting closed at 8.41pm

Submitted by
J Edwards
Parish Clerk

Approved By
Chair ----- Date -----