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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF POLTIMORE PARISH COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 25th JANUARY 2023 AT 7 PM

#### Present:

Jim Feesey - Councillor Chair

Esme Gibbins - Councillor
Lisa Thomas - Councillor
David Pritchard - Councillor
Richard Gibbins - Councillor
Jennie Edwards - Clerk

3 Member of the Public

In the absence of the Chair Cllr J Feesey was elected to be Chair of the meeting

<u>01/23 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Cllr R Smith (Holiday) C Cllr S Randall-Johnson

#### 02/23 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.

<u>03/23 MINUTES</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 were resolved and approved as a correct record, signed, and dated accordingly.

# **Standing Orders suspended**

<u>04/23 COUNTY MATTERS</u> A report from County Cllr S Randall-Johnson had been circulated to all Councillors.

# 05/23 POLTIMORE HOUSE REPORT No Report

# **06/23 PUBLIC QUESTIONS** None

# The meeting reconvened with Standing Orders

# 07/23 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Devon Climate Emergency. The clerk had received correspondence with regard to free trees as part of the plan to combat Ash Dieback which is threating to kill off 90% of trees. On February 5<sup>th</sup> at Longmead Park Hemyhock. First come, first served trees can be collected.
- 2. Website and Hosting. A proposal had been received to combine the village websites. Further information required.
- 3. Electoral services. This year is election year the clerk reminded the councillors of procedure.
- 4. Plantscape watering devices information to be given to the Poltimore in Bloom group.
- 5. Power allotments information had been received with regard to Solar allotments. No further action.

# 08/23 FINANCE

To resolve to approve the Bank reconciliation.

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Bank Balance as at (23 Dec 22)	£7,622.21p
Bus: Interest Account	£1,017.97p
Payment of website Direct Debit	£54.00p

**Ratify Cheques Paid** 

 Clerks salary (Dec22)
 £295.90p

 Grass cutting
 £360

 Adobe
 £238.75

 HMRC
 £106.72p

Cheques required:

Payment of Clerks Salary (Cheque Jan 23) £337.50pp

Payments resolved by all Councillors

# 09/23 PLANNING

	Poltimore Barton Unit 1	Proposed building extension to existing
22/2812/FUL	Poltimore EX4 0BQ	business unit (known as Unit1
		Poltimore Barton

**Comments:** Concerns have previously been expressed by the Parish Council and first and foremost of these concerns is the increasing level of commercial vehicular traffic, particularly HGV traffic. The surrounding road infrastructure is far from suitable for such traffic and any further expansion of the site, providing yet further storage space, will in all probability, result in additional increases in the volume of such traffic. Although the design statement implies that there would not be any further traffic, the site has increased tremendously since its change from West Exe.

	Melberry House Moor Lane	Construction of single storey two-
23/0029/FUL	Poltimore EX4 0AQ	bedroom ancillary accommodation with
		the garden of the existing dwelling house.

**Comments**: Poltimore Parish Council at present do not support this application. The design statement implies that there are no trees or flood risks. The drainage plan 04 shows there is one tree which following the drainage plan would be affected, plus the line of drainage plan cuts across the property of the land of the Mousetrap next door. Having looked at the flood risk, the area has a flood zone 2 probability of a medium risk and according to recommendations, an assessment should be carried out.

	Hux shard Church Hill Exeter	Erection of temporary storage
22/1838/FUL	EX4 9JJ	

Comments: Poltimore Parish Council concern what would be stored and would it involve more traffic.

# **10/23 MATTERS FOR ACTION**

- 1. Rolling Community Project. Poltimore in Bloom meeting 4th February 2023 at 10am
- 2. Coffee mornings new rota commenced.
- 3. Website updated.
- 4. Due to work commitments Cllr L Thomas has resigned from the Council this evening, after 5 years of service. Cllr J Feesey thanked Lisa for her contribution to the Council.

At present the Council have two vacancies.

# 11/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 at 7pm

	The meeting closed at 8.20pm
Submitted by	
J Edwards Parish Clerk	
Approved By	
Chair	Date