

Crediton Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 23 November 2010

Present:	Councillors	Mr F Letch (Chairman)
		Miss J Harris
		Mrs A Hughes
		Mr R Adams (part meeting)
		Mrs E Brookes-Hocking
		Mr P Finnegan
		Mr D Nation
		Mr T Connell
		Mr R Wright
In Attendan	ce: Clerk	Mr M Maggs
	DCC Officer	Mr N Mussell
	Press	2
	Public	10

AGENDA ITEMS

123. To receive apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Brown (unwell), Downes (other business) and Way (personal).

124. Declarations of Interest

Code of Councillors Nation Conduct and Wright	As members of more than one authority, declared that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.
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125. Meeting Management

It was agreed to advance agenda item 12 (Community Project & Funding) to before item 6 (Chairman's & Clerk's Announcements) to accommodate members of the public who would be allowed to participate in accordance with the Council's policy on public participation.

126. **Presentation**

An officer from the Devon Youth Service, with assistance from other youth workers and young people, gave a short presentation and answered questions from members on the Tanglewood Project (see appended summary). Councillor Adams arrived.

127. Public Question Time

None.

128. Chairman's & Clerk's Announcements

The Chairman reported that he had set a date (pending confirmation) for the Mayor's Reception 2011. The reception would be held at the Boniface Centre on Tuesday 12 April 2011.

The recently announced Royal Wedding could provide an additional incentive to progress the setting up of an Events Working Group (agenda item 13b) to help organise, perhaps, a party on the Square.

The Chairman repeated his previous suggestion that members check their Register of Interests. A copy of the current Register would be passed around during the meeting. Councillors were asked to inform the Clerk or the Monitoring Officer of any changes.

An Open Day for Town and Parish Councils, organised by MDDC, was arranged for 13 January. The Chairman and Councillor Brookes-Hocking would attend.

The Clerk reported that, for the first time, it had been possible to provide access to all documents (except the tabled schedule of accounts) through the use of electronic links on the agenda. This meant that everyone including members of the press and public would be able to see all the papers.

129. Town Council Minutes

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 19 October 2010 were received and approved as a correct record with the following amendment:

Minute 108a: an incorrect organisation name had been mentioned at the meeting; replace "Patients" with "Practitioners".

Minute 120 : delete "apparently".

130. Matters Arising.

Minute 107b(1): thanks were expressed to Councillor Connell for his help in progressing this initiative. The Clerk reported that some costs were expected.

Minute 118: future agenda item. In the meantime, councillors would monitor the situation.

131. General Purposes Committee Minutes

a) Minutes

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 9 November 2010 were received and noted.

b) Recommendations

The recommendations of the Committee were approved as minuted.

132. Planning

a) Planning Decisions

Noted. Decisions notified by the planning authority are appended.

- b) Planning Applications None.
- c) Planning Applications/Items for Determination week ending 19 October 2010 None.
- d) Application 10/00471/FULL The Clerk had circulated details on the current position with this application. The

application had been withdrawn, as officers were minded to refuse consent.

133. Finance

a) Schedule of Accounts

The Schedule of Accounts, numbers 3174 to 3193 including direct debit 4121 totalling £6,179.42, was approved.

- b) Donation Requests
 - 1. Home-Start Mid Devon

Deferred to next meeting for more information on work carried out within the parish.

2. Christmas Tree

The Clerk had been told that there were some remaining costs associated with the installation of the Christmas tree. He had asked for the details to be provided for the next meeting. It was agreed that a letter of thanks should be written to the main sponsors.

c) Other Donation Requests None.

134. Community Project & Funding

The Chairman explained that the recent donation to the community had provided an excellent chance to fund a local project under the stewardship of the Town Council. The Tanglewood Project presented a valuable opportunity for young people to engage with the

rest of the community, however, the Council needed to consider all the options before making a decision.

The provision of a teen shelter was the only other project discussed. Details of shelters, with approximate costs, had been circulated for previous discussions on this subject. It was suggested that the best site would be an appropriate location at Newcombes Meadow. It was further suggested that the two projects should be considered side by side.

To this end, it was decided to defer a decision to the next full Council meeting to allow for the preparation of detailed costings and project plans for both options.

135. Committee Membership, Appointments & Representatives

a) Other Organisations

It was agreed to appoint the following representatives:

Twinning Association: Councillors Letch and Hughes

Crediton Traffic Action Group: Councillors Downes and Connell

It was noted that meetings of the following organisations met infrequently or not at all:

Monthly Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Crediton Area Marketing & Management, Lords Meadow Business Forum, Mid Devon PCT Care Services Project.

The nominated councillors would remain on the list until the status of the organisations could be confirmed.

b) Events Working Group

It was agreed to appoint Councillors Harris and Connell in addition to the current members, Councillors Letch and Hughes. The press was urged to publicise the existence of the group in the hope that councillors would be joined by interested members of the public.

c) Peoples Park & Scout Memorial Gardens Working Group

It was agreed to appoint Councillors Letch and Harris in addition to the current membership of Councillors Brown, Finnegan, Wright and Hughes.

136. Councillor Reports

a) Recycling

It was reported that a recent press article about changes to recycling were inaccurate and misleading. A brief summary of the actual changes was given.

b) Crediton Hospital Campaign Group

At the last meeting of the group, an interesting discussion took place on the substantial changes due to be made to the NHS. PCT's were to be replaced by GP consortia which would buy in their services. Concerns were expressed over the democratic accountability of the proposals but it was hoped that DCC would take a lead. There was a need for a structure that gave local people an opportunity to engage with the decision makers. A meeting would be held on 30 November with the relevant Chief Executives to focus on the spending review and transforming the NHS in preparation for the move to GP consortia.

c) New Town Guide

Members were asked to examine the draft Town Guide and give their views on options for the front page and check for errors/omissions. Comments should be passed to Councillor Brookes-Hocking or the Clerk.

137. Devon County Council

- a) Transport Planning LPT3
 Deferred to next meeting for further consideration. Comments were made on the failure to provide a proper opportunity for consultation.
- b) *High Street Disabled Parking Bay* Deferred to the next meeting due to the absence of Councillor Brown.

138. Correspondence Received and Items of Information

<u>Correspondence</u>

- 1. Email from Red House on Funding Support for 2011-12 Agenda item at next meeting
- 2. CLAG agenda & meeting notes for 18 November

- 3. Mrs D Bedford letter to Town Mayor about part-night lighting Clerk's reply following discussion at last meeting
- 4. Blackrock investment statement for Peoples Park Charity.
- 5. E & M Devon Community Safety Partnership Letter & leaflets on Domestic Abuse.
- 6. Hospiscare letter requesting support and leaflet on work of organisation. Clerk requested further information as attached.
- 7. SWH Creedy Bridge to Bickleigh Bridge Road Closure 21 to 25 February inclusive for highway maintenance <u>Agenda item at next General Purposed Committee meeting</u>.
- 8. MDDC invitation to attend pay & display working group meeting Tiverton 8 December at 1000. <u>Councillor Brookes-Hocking to attend and report at next meeting.</u>

Information

- 1. DCC Travelling in Winter leaflet
- 2. Rural Housing Alliance Building a future for your rural community
- 3. Parish Council Insurance Parish Matters Newsletter
- 4. DCC Devon Talk Magazine Winter 2010

Business Brought Forward

139. Mill Street Road Closure

Apparently, there had been no notification of the recent road closures at Mill Street. Councillor Adams and the Clerk would make enquiries. Future agenda item.

140. New Town Guide & Photographic Competition

It had been very difficult to find a suitable photograph of the town and, as a consequence, the options for the front cover were limited. Of the two options, the front page with multiple photographs was preferred. It was also suggested that a photographic competition be held next year to provide a wider selection of photographs for use in publications. Future agenda item.

141. Recycling in Supermarkets

Councillor Wright agreed to provide details on recycling at supermarkets following a request from the Vice Chairman.

The meeting closed at approximately 21:20

Signed:

(F Letch, Chairman)

Date:





Tanglewood project Crediton Devon

Crediton Town Council meeting 23rd November 2010







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Our society is going through a remarkable time of change and as the future holds uncertainty, it is important to strengthen and establish sustainable networks of support within our community. Importantly the foundation or roots of our community need to be strong and clear in its intention to support all our children and young people; particularly those who are vulnerable and may struggle in education and the wider community.

Crediton Youth Centre has just embarked upon a project we have named the **Tanglewood Project.** The project has been initiated by Government funding; **Aiming Higher for Children with Disabilities**.

The project currently provides an opportunity to engage young people with additional needs in the design, development and building of temporary and environmentally low impact outside learning space. We then hope to **go** provide opportunity for them to learn **traditional skills** in a contemporary context that incorporate philosophies of **Forest School** and **Steiner**, interwoven with learning of **life skills** including the **Protective Behaviours** model underpinned by **Youth Work values**. We currently have a number of motivated young people and adults volunteering their time. With additional funding we would be able to provide opportunities for many others; post **16** '**NEETS**' (young people not in further education, employment or training.) Children and young people of all ages who maybe struggle with conventional education within school, '**high achievers'** wanting to gain further skills, **adult volunteers with and without disabilities**, the list is far-reaching; anyone of any age within our community who would benefit from engaging in the project or could make a positive contribution.

We have further support from Connexions, QE School, the associated learning community and Extended schools, the Community Safety Partnership, The Stewards Wood Community and Mid Devon Housing; we have also had discussions with; Villages in Action and the Senior Council and look forward to their involvement.

Simply the underpinning foundation on all projects is: You teach me, I teach you. This cycle of learning is passed back and forth between young and old, able and disabled; breaking down traditional barriers of learning and teaching, bridging the gap between agencies and branching out widely into the local community and beyond.

The young people I am currently working with are keen to get others involved. As a result of our experiences our ambition is to develop a community led organisation within Crediton that works alongside other individuals and groups, moving across organisational and cultural boundaries providing a hub for anyone of any age wanting to learn new skills. Ultimately this organisation would be a celebration of traditional skills in a contemporary context. With additional funding there could be provision for people throughout our community to engage on a variety of levels. The funding would enable us to offer a more comprehensive provision :

- Training by artisan professionals,
- Travel expenses to and from other localities providing associated learning opportunities,
- The purchase of specialist tools materials and equipment.
- There will also be a need to provide creature comforts, such as hot drinks and Marshmallows to cook on the fire!

This document is intended to provide a brief insight into our emerging project and the hope is that by reading this you will become part of the network of support that will enable this project to be sustainable in making a positive contribution to our children and young people within Crediton and the wider community as a whole.

Proposed structure for Haywards primary school.



TANGLEWOOD PROJECT @ 2010

the construction is made of a recycled car tyre base with a straw bale wall covered by timber frame structure and canvas conopy. It is embbedded in a existing grass mound.

Although this site is located at Haywards Primary school there is opprtunity for other schools and organisations to get involved here and at other locations throughout the school year and during holidays and weekends.

At the Youth Centre we believe;

'Everyone has the right to feel safe all of the time'.

(Protective Behaviours UK 2010)

So what is all our responsibility?

'Being part of a community and interacting with a mix of people

is a crucial part of a young person's development'.

(Princes Trust 2010)

We believe the Tanglewood project has great potential, If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Crediton Town Council

PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 23 NOVEMBER 2010

Planning Decisions – as notified by the Planning Authority:

Reference: Address: Description: Decision:	10/01396/FULL Full planning application Fordton Cottage Crediton Devon EX17 3DH Installation of air source heat pump Grant permission	
Web link:	<u>10/01396/FULL</u>	

SION	Address:	10/01321/LBC Listed Building Consent 20 High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3AH Listed Building Consent for internal and external alterations Grant permission
DECISION	Web link:	<u>10/01321/LBC</u>

	Type – Decision	
CISION	Address: Description:	10/01322/FULL Full planning application 20 High Street Crediton Devon EX17 3AH Formation of external staircase Withdrawn
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	Type – Decision	
SION	Reference: Address: Description: Decision:	10/01424/FULL Full planning application Leapfrogs Nursery School East Street Crediton Devon EX17 3AX Erection of wall-mounted canopy over part of playground Withdrawn
DECISION	Web link:	<u>10/01424/FULL</u>
	Type – Decision	
Z	Reference: Address: Description:	10/01426/FULL Full planning application 7 Cherry Gardens Crediton Devon EX17 3HR Installation of window to gable end

Decision: Grant permission

Decision: Decision: Web link:

<u>10/01426/FULL</u>

Planning Applications

None.