

TEIGNGRACE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING 3rd March 2020

Present: P. Adams, W. Coombes, A. Gale, J. Martin, J. Penfold
M. Cockcroft, C. Martin, B. Thorne, J. Sanders

Apologies: R. Page, G. Gribble

06/20 MINUTES:

Minutes of the Full Meeting held on 7th January 2020 having been circulated, were agreed and signed.
Proposed by J. Penfold, seconded by W. Coombes.

07/20 MATTERS ARISING:

Speed Limit in Village: No results received yet from the speed-readings. {14/05/2019}

Stover Canal Trust Minutes: J. Martin forwarded to councillors. {03/03/2020}

Stover Country Park: Restoring Stover Historic Park. No further update. {03/09/2019}

Operation London Bridge: P.C.C. has agreed that it is OK for flowers to be placed either side of main door of the church. {05/11/2019}

Environmental Trust: Parish Council will take over the running of the Trust. P. Adams waiting for transfer to be minuted and bank account transferred. {05/11/2019}

Teigngrace Highways Issues: Scott Riddell replied: "Thank you for your e-mail and sorry for the delay in my reply.

I have put this section in to be hand cleaned." Still waiting for the drains to be rodded.

Following a D.C.C. leaflet that was sent out defining drainage maintenance responsibilities, P. Adams queried the details. Robert Richards, Highways and Traffic Management Group Manager replied:

"Ditches that run alongside, or within, a highway generally do not form part of the highway and remain the responsibility of the adjacent landowner or occupier. This is a requirement of the Land Drainage Act 1991. The Highway Authority (Devon County Council) may have a prescriptive right of discharge into this ditch in order take the water runoff from the highway. However, where the ditches have been dedicated as forming part of the highway only, or where the ditch was constructed for the purpose of draining the highway, then the ditch will form part of the highway and will be the responsibility of the Highway Authority. This duty is laid out in the Highways Act 1980. The responsibility for verges is similar, particularly where a verge has been constructed for visibility purposes.

The owners of land next to a highway have a legal responsibility to maintain ditches to prevent them causing a nuisance to road users.

With regard to drainage within the highway, the maintenance responsibility depends on the ownership of the system. For example, there may be surface water drainage running from an adjacent development or property that the Highway Authority is not responsible for.

I hope this addresses your questions and clarifies the situation."

P. Adams to contact Scott Riddell and remind him that the rodding still needs to take place. {03/03/2020}

Devon Air Ambulance: Village field is unsuitable due to the proximity of trees. {07/01/2020}

Water / Mud from A382 works: No response from D.C.C. P. Adams to forward photographs which A. Gale has provided. {07/01/2020}

08/20 FINANCE:

Statement balance 31/01/2020 was £1323.51

Cheque 000182 £124.25 P. Adams – cashed (£56.04 website, £17.99 domain, £50.22 defib)

Proposed by J. Martin, seconded by J. Penfold.

PLANNING:

Ref: 19/00396/LBC

Location: TEIGNGRACE - Oak View

Proposal: Extension to form two additional bedrooms with en suite bathrooms over single storey living room. As per planning application ref: 18/00812/FUL

Applicant: Mr P Rivers, Agent

Grant of Conditional Planning Permission

Ref: 19/02453/FUL

Location: TEIGNGRACE - Middle Park Yard, Lane Past Park Corner

Proposal: Replacement of residential mobile home with dwelling

Applicant: Mr J Sanders

Web Link:

<https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning/forms/planning-application-details/?Type=Application&Refval=19/02453/FUL&MN=Y>

Full Planning Application

The Parish Council had no objections, but noted that the Flood Risk Assessment was for a different property?

[5 For, 0 Against]

Our Ref: SP/DCC/4164/2020

County Matter Planning Application Environment Act 1995: (Schedule 14) Periodic review of the conditions to which mineral permissions shall be subject. Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 Submission under Schedule 14 Environment Act 1995 - Application for first periodic review of the conditions attached to the existing permission for winning and working ball clays at Stover Quarry at Stover Ball Clay Works, Teigngrace, Newton Abbot, TQ12 6QP

The Mineral Planning Authority has received a planning application for the above-proposed development. This application is submitted under the Environment Act 1995, which enables the County Council as Mineral Planning Authority to carry out a periodic review of the conditions to which the mineral permissions shall be subject. Please be aware that this is not a new planning application to win and work minerals but relates to the submission of a scheme of new planning conditions for the operation and restoration of the quarry site for the next 15-year period. The Mineral Planning Authority may determine conditions differently from those submitted, but if these restrict the existing working rights, a liability for compensation may arise. The application was received in this department on 16/01/20 and the Mineral Planning Authority is required to determine the new conditions within 3 months of this date, otherwise the conditions as submitted will be deemed to be approved unless an extension of time has been agreed with the applicant.

The Parish Council would like the final tip height reduced by 10m. If necessary this can be used to fill in the lake area as we feel the improved vista is of more benefit to the local area.

The Parish Council would like to see restoration started now on those areas, which are at the finished profile.

The Parish Council are also concerned by the timeframes quoted as we had been told at previous meetings that workings would cease by around 2027 and not 2042.

[0 For, 5 Against]

My Ref: 20/00273/ADV

Location: TEIGNGRACE - The Barns, Teigngrace

Proposal: Provision of three signs

Applicant: Mr K & Ms S Discombe & Coto

Web Link:

<https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning/forms/planning-application-details/?Type=Application&Refval=20/00273/ADV&MN=Y>

Advertising Application

The Parish Council had no objections.

[5 For, 0 Against]

Stover Clay Works Lorries: Ian Lee reported:

"Just to let you know we are starting soil imports to Stover again starting w/c 17th Feb. We have approx. 16000t to move. We expect this to take between 4 and 8 weeks"

A. Gale contacted Imerys.

"I think the photo speaks for itself a little worrying if there had been a cyclist or walker.

I have witnessed how loaded Lorries are leaving the Stover site and there does seem to be little regard for other road users' safety.

Could you please call me at your convenience to discuss this and another matter?

Would you also be able to give an idea of the number of vehicle movements per day or maximum number of lorry's running per day?"

Ian Lee, Imerys replied:

"Many thanks for raising your concerns. I will speak to the lorry drivers.

I will try and call you this afternoon post 14:30" {03/03/2020}

Kissing gate on the footpath by the River Teign: "This winter's water flow and floods have resulted in the bend of the Teign (where the sand martins nest) being eroded to an unprecedented degree. What was the line that people walked has disappeared into the river several times. The bank by the kissing gate on the footpath is also being eroded at a rapid rate. It will soon be dangerous to access this gate. I'm not sure who is responsible for the gate, but can the PC alert whoever it is that the footpath route and access gate will need moving in the near future for safety reasons?" P. Adams will contact the Public Rights of Way officer at D.C.C. (Jonathon Rowland 01392 380186) {03/03/2020}

Area between Stover Canal and cycle path: "I am not sure who has responsibility for the area between the Stover Canal and the cycle path. I am particularly referring to the stretch between Locksbridge and Ventiford Basin, but the strip to the South has similar issues. Although a number of dead trees have been cut recently this strip mainly consists of worthless saplings, brush and brambles. At the moment, this whole strip is an eyesore of half-cleared fallen and felled material and brambles. Would it not be beneficial if this strip was properly cleared and planted with what could become specimen trees in the years to come? We are losing specimen oaks in the area, so could an avenue of oaks (with some native, fruit bearing, understory trees) be planted in this strip for the benefit of future generations. Removal of the brambles (and their subsequent removal) could allow wild flowers to grow beneath (there are a few wild daffodils struggling to survive to the South. What is there at the moment is neither attractive nor a valuable habitat. It could be made both."

C. Martin reported that the Stover Canal Trust had a plan for restoration and re-planting. {03/03/2020}

Ventiford Basin: J. Martin will request lifebuoys for Ventiford Basin at the next Stover Canal Trust Meeting. {03/03/2020}

Flooding: It was questioned whether there would be any benefit in having a flood marker board for traffic approaching Ventiford Bridge from the Stover direction. P. Adams to contact D.C.C. {03/03/2020}

Village Hall: J. Martin wished to express his congratulations to the fundraising team, which has now raised all the money required to repair the village hall roof. {03/03/2020}

Meeting closed 20:48.

PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT PLANNING MEETING WILL BE ON 7th APRIL 2020, THE NEXT FULL MEETING WILL BE ON 5th MAY 2020.