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Present Cllr Richard Baker, (RB)(Chair), Cllr Andi King, (AK), Cllr John Reynolds, (JR), Cllr Mary Swan, (MS), Cllr David Vincent, (DV), Cllr Michael Wood, (MW), Cllr Rufus Gilbert, (RG) (DCC), Cllr Bernard Taylor, (BT)(SHDC)

In attendance Sally Smale Clerk

2021 29 **Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Campbell**

- Follaton House has been offered up as another vaccine centre – yet to be confirmed
- All Councillors have an additional £3,000 promised to assist with projects that respond to the climate emergency
- The new recycling service will start in Ringmore on 7th May. Containers will be delivered w/c 26th April
- Litter pickers are already working to clear A38 Laybys. A 14 day deep clean will follow and there will be some lane closures for this. Thereafter a 6 monthly clean will be scheduled.
- BT confirmed that £800 would still be available in the new financial year for the new permissive footpath
- BT will explore whether there will be an opportunity for households to have extra recycling containers

2021 33 **Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting**
It was agreed that The Annual Parish Meeting would be held virtually on 20th April at 7pm
It was agreed that a short Annual Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 4th May at 6pm to perform the statutory duties with other items being deferred to the June meeting.

- Climate change: DCC is a founding and principle partner of the Devon Climate Emergency (DCE) initiative and has signed the Devon Climate Declaration which commits to working collaboratively with partners, which is now starting to be done via a consultation draft interim Devon Carbon Plan.
- £1.3M extra has been allocated for 21/22 budget with £600,000.00 for pot holes and drainage plus £100,000.00 for work on maintenance of street furniture and a further £600,000.00 to top up the £1.5 M given to District Councils emergency fund last summer.

- So far this fiscal year, we have used 50% more salt on the highways network totalling 15000 tons.
- Devon Highways budget is £28M which is about £100,000.00/day to maintain the 12,966km of roads.
- DCC has 65 farms totalling 9555 acres
- Adam Keay has been in touch to help clarify Challaborough yellow lines.
- The night closure programme for Edmeston repairs on A379 has been sent

RG confirmed that the highways work done on Cockle Lane had been given priority and special funding due to accessibility issues and that RG had supported this initiative.

RG confirmed that £1,500 would still be available for the permissive footpath if he remained in office

2021 34 Parking restrictions at Challaborough

As Standing Orders were still dropped. A member of the public outlined the history of the parking orders and yellow lines in Challaborough.

RB confirmed that Council support re-instatement of yellow lines to match the 2009 Traffic Order and requested that the work takes place as soon as possible in anticipation of parking problems with the approach of the summer season and stricter enforcement of parking fees by the Camp Site.

RG confirmed that, as stated at the site meeting in the summer, there is still the opportunity to apply for a new order in future but that this would take a considerable amount of time and there was no guaranteed outcome. RG also stated that following the reinstatement of the 2009 order that RPC should push for a new traffic order to mirror the 1975 order as far as current conditions including local residents opinions allows.

In order to have input from RG RB brought agenda item 2021 39b) forward.

b) To consider proposals for solutions to the flooding problems outside Smugglers Cottage

RB reported that recent photos taken by DV clearly show the source of the problem to be water running down from the main road where there was inadequate drainage.

Standing Orders resumed

Agreed that DV send RG and DCC highways the photos and RG will arrange a site visit in May.

In the interim DV will organise a working party to clear the soil.

It was also resolved that Village maintenance should include the clearing of the gully outside Smugglers Cottage/The Fairway on a monthly basis. JR to investigate.

NOTE

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 2021 be accepted as a correct record with the removal of JR as responsible for investigating monthly maintenance

Further, it was suggested that the owner of Smugglers Cottage would request his gardener or handy man to clear the gully within the garden on a monthly basis and AK stated he would look again to see if the rock could be removed to aid the flow of water down the gully.

RG left at 8.10pm

2021 35 The following planning application was considered:

- a) 0496/21/LBC Mr & Mrs A Hitchmough Listed Building consent for repair & replacement of ceiling linings to first floor Cross Manor Ringmore TQ7 4HW
All in favour of supporting this application (AK abstained)
- b) The concerns from 2 residents regarding the earthworks taking place behind Old School House, Tosca and Sycamores in Rectory Lane were discussed. **BT confirmed that Planning Enforcement are involved and it was agreed that RPC would not get involved.**

BT left the meeting at 8.20pm

2021 36 The following planning decisions made by SHDC were noted:

- a) 3788/20/LBC Rose Cottage Ringmore TQ7 4HL Mr C Marshall Listed Building Consent for new flat roof and alterations to existing door and window on rear extension

DECISION: Conditional Approval

- b) The Old School House Ringmore TQ7 4HJ Mrs Debbie Mercy Works to a Tree in a Con Area

PROPOSAL : T1 & T2: Sycamore - Crown height reduction by 3m

DECISION: Tree Works No Objection Raised

2021 37 Finance

1. The following payments were approved:

S Smale	2020 53	Clerk's Pay	112.40
Modbury Parish Council	2020 54	Training (Internal Control)	3.60
S Smale	2020 55	Clerk's Office (Phone / heating)	9.00
S Smale	2020 56	Reimburse Zoom sub.	11.99
Hall hire	2020 57	For Feb. 2020 meeting	11.00
Modbury Parish Council	2020 58	Training (End of year accts)	3.60
Tall Orders Landscaping	2020 59	Grass cutting	90.00

2. The financial statement as at 4th March. 2021 was received

Current Account (4 March) 2021)	4481.07	RESERVES	
MINUS Unpresented cheques	24.59	P3 Footpaths	72
PLUS Uncleared receipts	0	Neighbourhood Plan	1,417
Current Account	4456.48	Night landing site	3,164
Savings Accounts	5271.59	COVID-19 grant	334
TOTAL FUNDS	9728.07	TOTAL	4,987
Total uncommitted funds		£4,741.07	

It was requested that an agenda item be included at the April meeting to consider using COVID grant funding to fund a post lock-down community celebration event.

2021 38 Neighbourhood Plan update:

The Steering Group has rewritten or updated several sections of the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan as a consequence of comments made during that consultation.

The Draft Regulation 15 version of the plan has been submitted to Val Scott and Duncan Smith of SHDC for their personal advice before formal submission.

It is expected that formal submission will take place within the next four weeks. A few documents on the PC website will need adding to or replacing with up to date versions to comply with Reg 15.

The Regulation 15 process entails a further 6 week consultation which is administered by SHDC.

In comment on several rumours that might be circulating. Planning control outside the Settlement Boundary of Ringmore Village is mainly dealt with by the SHDC Joint Local Plan and its attached Special Planning Document rather than this Neighbourhood Plan.

The whole of the Parish is in the AONB and the area approximately south of the St Ann's to Marwell Road is in the "Undeveloped Coast" with the exception of Ringmore Village. Both these designations give a level of protection from indiscriminate building in the Parish.

RB confirmed that the rewritten / updated sections do not change the overall direction of the plan.

2021 39 Environmental matters:

a) Grass verge wild flower planting

JR summarised the plan distributed previously to develop a re-wilding scheme for Ringmore, initially focusing on the Bowling Green as the first phase, and commencing this autumn. It contains information on suitable Seed and Bulbs, Preparation of the Site, Ongoing Management and Growth of the Wildflower Meadow and an Interpretation Board.

JR reported that there had been a generous offer of sponsorship which would cover the costs of the project. Thanks to Judith and Jane for their work so far on the project.

b) The flooding problems outside Smugglers Cottage had been discussed earlier

2021 40 Parish Paths Partnership update:

- Work will begin on the Permissive Path at the end of the month
- Funding has been secured for 2 Oak signposts
- There is problem with flooding again for the third year on footpath 9 below Ringmore Wood and DCC has agreed to provide additional funding to dredge the river leading into the culvert.
- JR confirmed that there was no permissive path running through the Challaborough Caravan site

2021 41 Four Rivers Dementia Alliance

The Clerk reported on her recent attendance at the Alliance meeting where she had been asked if Ringmore would like to be represented on the Alliance.

It was agreed that the Clerk would invite someone from the Alliance to give a brief presentation at the Annual Parish Meeting

2021 42 Matters for discussion at next meeting

Graveyard maintenance and merging of grass-cutting contracts

Church clock maintenance

Post lock-down celebration event

RB thanked Members of the public and councillors for attending and the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Next Parish Council meetings –

20th April (7pm) Annual Parish Meeting

4th May (6pm) Annual Council Meeting

15th June

20th July No meeting in August

21st September

19th Oct

16th Nov

No meeting in December