

Bow Parish Council Minutes 14.9.2016  
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 7.30P.M.  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM OF BOW VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Mr V Steer in the Chair,  
Mrs D M Pritchett-Farrell,  
Messrs C R McAllister, C D Nicks, T J Vanstone, M C Williams and R J Yelland.  
Members of the public: Nil.  
Clerk: Miss B D Ware.

**Apologies:** Mr R P Edworthy and Cllr J Squire and Cllr N Way.

**PARISH COUNCIL**

1. **Public Open Forum.** No members of the public present; nothing raised.
2. **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 10 August 2016, having been circulated in advance, were approved as a complete and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.
3. **Matters Arising:-**
  - (i) Den Brook wind farm. All components had been delivered by mid August, with construction ongoing and progressing well; seven of the nine turbines had been completed. The substation was complete, connected to Western Power Distribution and switched on. Reinstatement of wildlife habitat works were ongoing. First four turbines were being energised (12/9/16) with commissioning taking place and rigorous testing by R.E.S. with specialist subcontractors.
  - (ii) Community helipad, proposal. Bow Village Hall & Field Management Cttee was agreeable to only the site adjacent to the portacabin being used for the light. D.A.A.T. had supplied cost for that site viz £5,719.20 + vat or if independently installed £4,322.46 + vat (reduction of £1,396.46 + vat) and had provided a detailed specification re. column and cable installation, to meet M.A.T. Electrics Ltd and D.A.A.T. requirements, if light to be independently installed. D.A.A.T.'s letter of support for funding applications awaited. D.C.C. had supplied Invest in Devon appln. form with guidance notes and a Locality Budget appln. form (appropriate if Parish Council or a community group contributing). Mr Williams would supply detail necessary to make a funding application to the automobile organisation of which he was a member. Members discussed the project and agreed, in principle, to proceed, using M.A.T. Electrics Ltd to install the light, subject to Bow A.A.C.'s agreement re. electric supply (Mr Steer to speak with the Club's new chairman Mr Bowden). Parish Council to consider and agree how cost to be apportioned/requested of each potential funding body.
  - (iii) Jackman Car Park, two trailers parked contrary to Regulations. Notices had been affixed, with both trailers subsequently removed.
  - (iv) Johnsland site, noise. The Chairman, Mr Steer, had spoken with owners, Messrs Edworthy, who would try to do all they could to appease complainants, incl. liaise with lorry drivers to ensure noise kept to a minimum (lorries were loaded the night before, etc). Members commented Bow is a working village and Johnsland is a large working site employing many people.
  - (v) Notice board. Re-installation work remained in hand with Mr Vanstone.
4. **Planning**  
APPLICATIONS  
Nil  
  
M.D.D.C. DECISIONS  
Nil  
  
W.D.B.C.  
APPEAL  
Land at NGR SX698988 (Downhayes) North Beer Farm, Spreyton. Erection of a single wind turbine with maximum blade tip height of 67m, formation of new vehicular access track and associated infrastructure.  
Appeal Dismissed. (Planning Inspectorate had formally notified Spreyton Parish Council.)
5. **M.D.D.C. Street Cleansing Review.** M.D.D.C.'s letter, with accompanying questionnaire and map plotting litter and dog bins within Bow parish, inviting Parish Council feedback on services provided at Bow and views on provision of dual use (litter & dog waste) bins, was read. The questionnaire was duly completed. Members felt dual use bins would only be acceptable in certain locations. The map M.D.D.C. supplied contained inaccuracies.

6. **Burston Meadow Sport & Recreation Ground – Request for Funding (planning appln. fee).** The Committee, in preparing a Building Regs. application, was liaising with a structural engineer reference raft composition and changing room layout – given necessary variations, fresh drawings were being produced. All Timber Frames Ltd would supply a revised quotation – on receipt a copy to be forwarded to M.D.D.C. who was still considering Parish Council's request for allocation of Sect. 106 Funding. M.D.D.C. Planning Officer had advised a new planning application (+ fee) was required. Progress was reported – the Committee had de-stoning work at the field in hand and would be grass seeding (cost approx. £1,000) in coming weeks. The Committee was planning an open event (June/July 2017) for publicity and to raise the project's profile (much work had been carried out but with greater local awareness the project should benefit from more support). Members gave consideration, were supportive, and agreed to a planning application being in the name of Bow Parish Council and to funding the planning fee of £192.50. Mr Steer invited Parish Councillors to meet at the new ground, to view progress, at 6.30p.m. on 12 October 2016 before convening next Parish Council meeting.
7. **Adopt a Kiosk.** B.T. had advised that, after having conducted a 90 day consultation process with M.D.D.C. they were ready to proceed and had sent the formal Agreement for signature. The signed Agreement, together with payment of £1.00, to be forwarded to B.T. When process complete Parish Council would arrange insurance – Members agreed that a value of £1,000 would be appropriate. After discussion of the Agreement, which contained slight variations to the previous version supplied (+ error re. kiosk phone no.), Parish Council agreed it be signed.
8. **Section 106 Public Open Space Funding, Bow.** M.D.D.C. had requested consideration be given re. targets/projects to allocate future contributions towards (since changes to legislation, when planning consent granted, Section 106 legal agreement now incorporated a specific target). M.D.D.C. Planning had allocated two cases (development not commenced, hence contributions not available) towards a Burston Meadow phase 2. Members were content with that allocation; confident of a Burston Meadow phase 2 (and possibly a phase 3) in the future. Further, a sum of £1,950 was available to be spent on the creation and open space actually within Bow parish. Members supported a Village Field target which, it was anticipated, could include lighting.
9. **D. C.C. Highways Matters.**  
*Re-align and paint carriageway white lining at concrete bollard, A3072 nr entrance to Iter Park.* D.C.C. Neighbourhood Team Highways Officer, Mr Tucker, had advised that a works order had been raised in August for re-marking all the lines in Bow, this included for part removal and installation of a new and correct alignment of the hatched area on both sides of the traffic island.  
*Proposed extension of 30m.p.h. limit, A3072 west of Bow village.* Cllr Way had reported that the relevant S.C.A.R.F. meeting was anticipated in the next one/two months  
*Proposed street lighting – junction of Bow Mill Lane with A3072 to Southern Co-op shop.* Nothing further had been received from D.C.C. (Highways officer to advise Street Lighting officer re. illuminating signage and Traffic Order requirements.)
10. **Monitoring of Services.**  
D.C.C. Services satisfactory – comment would not be submitted.  
M.D.D.C. Services satisfactory – comment would not be submitted.
11. **Correspondence.**  
M.D.D.C. Consultation by BT on proposed removal of (38) certain public payphones at various locations across Mid Devon District Council's area. Consultation responses required by 25/10/16. No comment would be made.  
Superfast Broadband Project - Connecting Devon & Somerset update.  
D.C.C. Highway Management, temporary traffic order for Tour of Britain Cycle Race 2016.  
M.D.D.C. Planning enforcement officer reduction during September (only urgent cases being dealt with).  
M.D.D.C. officer structure changes with new Directors appointed, forming new leadership team.  
M.D.D.C. new Tiverton Town Centre Manager appointed.  
M.D.D.C. Planning on-line service improvements (during October all planning docs migrating to new system).  
M.D.D.C. Cabinet agenda for 15/9/16 (Local Plan Review, Junction 27 and any associated housing need)  
M.D.D.C. Scrutiny Committee 19/8/16 agenda.  
M.D.D.C. Managing the Environment Policy Development Group 6/9/16 agenda.  
M.D.D.C. resident fined for offences under Environmental Protection Act 1990.  
M.D.D.C. All the fun of the farm (Courtney's Mobile Petting Farm) at Tiverton Market on 3/9/16.

NHS Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group invitation to A.G.M. on 1/9/16 at Plymouth.

Santander, changes (introducing Single European Payment Area credit transfers) to current account.

Santander, changes to deposit account, interest rate reducing, from 0.50% to 0.25% effective 1/11/16.

D.A.L.C. monthly newsletter (Transparency Code, Training & Events, Cyber Security Training, etc).

D.A.L.C. invitation to A.G.M. and Conference 2016, at Newton Abbot Racecourse on 11/10/16.

Devon Communities Together, Rural Futures Conference 2016, at Ivybridge on 1/10/16.

*Publications:-* Clerks & Councils Direct, D.A.L.C. Annual Report 2015/16, Mid Devon Talk, NHS Your Future Care newsletter.

**12. Finance.**

Bank balances brought forward: Deposit a/c £7,837.41, Current a/c £16,336.56

ACCOUNTS AUTHORISED FOR PAYMENT

Grant Thornton UK LLP (audit fee 2015/16) £120.00

Bow Village Hall (hire of Community Room April – July) £45.00.

B.T. (Adopt a kiosk, Bow telephone box) £1.00

M.D.D.C. (planning fee, Burston Meadow Sport & Recreation Field) £192.50

ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENT (NOT AUTHORISED)

M.D.D.C. (grass cutting of verges 2016/17 – 4 cuts @ £169.95 + vat) £815.76

Members discussed grass cutting – being unclear as to the distinction between what is legally required to be cut and the extra which Parish Council agreed to fund for 2016/17, agreed to request map(s) showing distinction.

Members wanted clarification in the interests of transparency and to ensure Bow taxpayers' money was spent wisely. To assure M.D.D.C. that payment was not being withheld but that information was needed ahead of payment being authorised.

**13. Any Other Business.**

(i) Plot of land east of footpath link, Wallens Meadow Close to Bow Mill Lane. Mr McAllister was aware of complaints about the untidy, weedy, state of the plot. Ownership/status of D.C.C. adoption of the small parcel was unclear. To refer to D.C.C. Neighbourhood Team Highway Officer Mr Tucker.

(ii) Okehampton-Exeter rail passenger service. Cllr Way had commented that he felt that re-introduction of a passenger service would be likely to happen.

**14. Date of Next Meeting.** Wednesday 12 October 2016 at 7.30p.m. at the Community Room of Bow Village Hall. Members to meet at 6.30p.m. at the new Burston Meadow Sport and Recreation Field.

This concluded the business and the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20p.m.