

Halberton Parish Council

Meeting of Halberton Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 13 August 2024 at 7pm in Ash Thomas Village Hall

All members of the Parish Council are hereby summonsed to attend the above meeting for the purpose of considering and resolving the business as set out hereunder.

Members of the public are also invited and may speak in the Public Forum.

Susan McGeever
Clerk, Halberton Parish Council
6 August 2024

AGENDA

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*Signed: Susan McGeever
Clerk to Halberton Parish Council*

HALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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4	To approve the minutes of the Council meeting on 16 July 2024	3 - 5

**Halberton Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at Halberton Village Hall on Tuesday 16 July 2024 at 6.45pm**

Present

Councillors Batchelor (Chairman), Browse, Campbell, Furmedge, Graham and Saunders together with Councillor Slade (DCC). The Clerk, Mrs S McGeever, was also present.

Councillor Batchelor opened the meeting at 7pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

231-1 Apologies

Apologies had been received Councillors Campbell, Graham and Herrod-Taylor.

231-2 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

231-3 Public Forum

The following item was raised during the Public Forum and would be discussed under the relevant agenda items or placed on the agenda of the next meeting:

- The approval of the Red Linhay slurry pit which appeared to be the same size as the slurry pit being considered at this meeting but with considerable less cows. Mid Devon District Council had asked for a Waste Management Plan and it was asked if the Parish Council would consider contacting MDDC to ask if they could be consulted on such a plan to ensure that slurry pit was for onsite slurry only.

231-4 To approve the minutes of the Council meeting on 9 July 2024

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting and for the Chairman to initial each page and sign the final page.

231-5 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman advised that he had no announcements to make.

231-6 Consideration of Mid Devon District Council's planning applications

New applications:

24/00271/FULL

Demolition of agricultural building, erection of commercial building and change of use of agricultural land to Use Class B8

Land and Buildings at NGR 304054 111974 Willand Road Business Park Uffculme Devon

The Parish Council noted that the building was not located in the Willand Road Business Park nor was it a part of Hitchcocks Business Park but represented an agricultural building set away across open fields from the two existing business parks. The site itself covered 3 hectares of agricultural land and, this application could open the way for development of the whole site further industrialising the countryside in the vicinity.

The indications were that the company in question required a larger premises than that it had on the Langlands Business Park off the Uffculme Strait employing some 35 people.

The Parish Council did not feel that the application satisfied Policy DM9 and noted that the ecology report and BNG did not appear to include the existing pond.

There appeared to be vacant sites on both Langlands and Hitchcocks Business Park.

The FDA Form appeared to have gaps but the technical drainage note was more substantial.

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The proposed building was significantly taller than the existing agricultural building and would be much more visible from the surrounding area.

Concern was expressed at the need for a new entrance out onto the B3181 (the road leading to Junction 27) given an existing entrance in what the Parish Council considered a more favourable location was already in place. Lorries pulling out on a bend a short distance from a right hand filter lane was not considered ideal.

The proposed use of the site could produce a considerable amount of dust and noise and the Parish Council noted that Devon County Council had not commented on the application. Such a comment was needed given the amount of traffic on what was a busy road.

Given what appeared to be contradictions into the actual existing site of the business and the road traffic plan submitted, the Parish Council RESOLVED that it did not have sufficient information to make a decision on the application and would ask MDDC for the opportunity to comment again when all information had been received/clarified.

If however, MDDC were mindful to grant the application without such clarifications then the Parish Council would request that serious consideration was given to both pedestrians and cyclists using the B3181.

24/00960/FULL

Proposal: Erection of slurry storage tank

Location: Land at NGR 304678 113184 Mountstephen Farm Uffculme

Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 304757 / 113155

Parish: Halberton 25

The Parish Council RESOLVED that it had no objection to this application given that it was replacing an existing slurry pit with a larger slurry pit to meet the new Government guidelines of having sufficient storage for six months rather than four months.

Appeals:

23/01141/FULL

Proposal: Variation of condition 13 of planning permission 22/00868/MFUL (Removal of condition 13 of planning permission 17/01142/FULL - further noise assessments) relating to the submission of a noise assessment

Location: Land at NGR 299621 112764 (Red Linhay) Crown Hill Halberton

Application No: 23/01141/FULL

Appeal Ref No. APP/Y1138/W/23/3334670

Appellants Name: Mr John Clapp

Decision awaited.

Hartnoll Farm

The Parish Council is awaiting a date for the new appeal.

Existing applications:

Ref: ABX/DCC/4358/2023

County Matter Planning Application

Retention of existing deposition and temporary landfill site for the deposition of additional inert waste and a construction waste recycling facility with associated works including temporary buildings, access and landscaping, at Land at Greenway, Updown, Tiverton

No further information.

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ENF/24/00109/RURAL

Re: Felling of trees, removal of earth and laying of hardcore.

Siting of gypsy caravan and storage of equipment

Land at NGR 300450 110431 Cloggs Hill Brithem Bottom

No further information.

231-7 Items for next meeting

None

231-8 Date of the next meeting

13 August at Ash Thomas.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: _____

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a. To receive a report from the MDDC Council Member

1-31 July 2024

National Planning

Deputy Prime Minister & Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government - Angela Rayner 30 July wrote out to Local Authorities setting out the new approach to planning. It will affect us, all reintroducing targets for example; 1.5million homes over the next 5 years along with proposals for a more positive streamlined approach. There is the intention to allow Local Planning Authorities to increase their fees and a recognition of the need for infrastructure.

Major applications:

1. Masterplan for Crediton continues to be developed it has completed its stage 2 – Public Consultation.
2. Cullompton Village Garden – two issues, one is around funding for the infrastructure the other is that it appears that Tesco's are dragging their feet on the land they own that is needed to deliver the project. The situation may be helped by the new approach to planning – which will allow compulsory purchase of land at a fair price reflective of value.

MDDC Planning Committee

Scheduled to come to committee for determination 31 July 2024

1. Tidcombe Hall – recommended for refusal – refused.
2. Shadow Ponds – (Stoodleigh area) – recommended for approval – approved.

New MP

Rachel Gilmour (Lib Dem) was elected to serve as our MP – she is local and has already shown interest in the Greenway Landfill site and she has publicly recognised the importance of the Canal. Her first speech as MP was given at the Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Horse-Drawn barge.

Horse-drawn Barge Anniversary

The weather was good for most of the day. As promised there was a lot to do, people really enjoyed the event which, as promised, was a celebration of the Horse-drawn Barge and by association, the Canal itself. I attended and passed a lot of time promoting the free children's event. Heathcoats made yards of bunting for the event, free of charge. They provided the material, manned the craft stall and helped the (predominately) young children make mop hats and red neckties. It was a beautiful example of people and organisations coming together to deliver an enjoyable experience that everyone could take part in. There were many others too.

Consultation on the Canal Conservation area

23rd July saw the emergency meeting called by the Joint Advisory Committee on the Grand Western Canal (JAC GWC) take place in response to the proposed consultation on the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area. The meeting was open to the public and a lot of people attended, most of whom were clearly alarmed at the idea of anything which might threaten this beautiful asset.

Background: The purpose of the appraisal is to produce a document that can be used to inform future changes. It **proposes** to exclude some areas and include others. For **Halberton** the appraisal proposes to reduce the conservation area by removing an area of agricultural land it feels is of little or no architectural or historic interest, a short distance from Rock House to the east. Halberton will need to consider its response to this and the other proposals. Any comments must be focused on demonstrating architectural or historical interest of sufficient weight to retain the area. Interestingly during the course of the meeting several arguments were made to extend the area near Tidcombe Hall (Tidcombe Hall is not listed and was in fact delisted some years ago). The Conservation Officer had felt that the agricultural land to the east of Tidcombe Hall was not of sufficient architectural or historic interest to be included in the conservation area – however the point was put forward that the reason for the canal “kink” here is in light of the rector’s insistence that the canal could not come through his land, and in addition, there appears to be suggestions of archaeological interest. All of this will need to be evidenced. The biggest concern for many is the removal of “Snakes’ Wood”.

Cabinet Member for Community Engagement

In May I was asked to join the Senior Leadership Team and given a new position on Cabinet for Parish and Community Engagement. Because of the general election, promotion of the new post was a little difficult but hopefully now the message will get out. It’s an interesting position: A lot of my work will recognise and address, where it is possible, the findings from the State of the District Debate which resulted in a clear mandate to build positive closer working relationships with Towns and Parishes. As part of this work the Parish and Town Charter has been reviewed and published, the Charter shows how the District Council will work in partnership with local councils in its area to promote sustainable social, economic and environmental development for the benefit of local communities.

Gwen Duchesne MBE

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b. Grand Western Canal Group

See report above.

Report from Councillor Browse

c. Consultation on the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area

The draft plan has been prepared to inform future change, development and design in and around the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area, so that its sensitivities and unique character can be preserved and enhanced.

This new Conservation Area and Management Plan is now out for consultation and focuses on:

- reviewing the existing boundary of the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area
- identifying key views and open spaces within the Conservation Area, and its setting
- offering guidance on common concerns regarding conservation areas
- proposing opportunities for enhancement of the Grand Western Canal Conservation Area
- identifying distinct Character Areas within the Conservation Area, noting the predominant building styles, forms, building materials, scale, and density
- recognising designated and non-designated heritage assets and their setting within the Conservation Area

A public consultation will run from **Monday, 22 July 2024 to Monday 16 September 2024**

d. Consultation on Licensing

Mid Devon District Council is currently consulting on the following two documents:

- Licensing Act 2003 - Statement of licensing policy
- Gambling Act 2005 - Statement of principles

The closing date for both consultations is 23 August 2024.

Consultation on PSPOs

The Council would like to formally consult with you regarding proposals to extend and vary the Order. The Council is formally required to consult with you under section 72A (3) and (4) of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. I set out the text of those subsections below.

“(3) A local authority must carry out the necessary consultation and the necessary publicity, and the necessary notification (if any), before—

- (a) making a public spaces protection order,
- (b) extending the period for which a public spaces protection order has effect, or
- (c) varying or discharging a public spaces protection order.

(4) In subsection (3)—

“the necessary consultation” means consulting with—

- (a) the chief officer of police, and the local policing body, for the police area that includes the restricted area;
- (b) whatever community representatives the local authority thinks it appropriate to consult;
- (c) the owner or occupier of land within the restricted area;”

I enclose a copy of the proposed order extending and varying the Order.

The Council’s proposals to extend and vary the Order are as follows:-

- a) To extend the period the Order is in force by a further period of three years
- b) to vary the Order by
 - designating new area known as the Recreation Ground in Cheriton Fitzpaine as an area where dogs are not allowed. A copy of the plan showing the said Recreation Ground is enclosed with this letter.
 - designating a new area known as the Recreation Ground Wood Lane Morchard Bishop as an area where dogs must be on a lead. A copy of the plan showing the said Recreation Ground is enclosed with this letter.
 - by designating a play area in Oakford to be subject to the prohibition of no dogs allowed. The existing area of the said recreation ground at Oakford will be removed from the requirement of no dogs allowed. A copy of the plan showing the said play area is enclosed with this letter
 - by designating a new area at Amory Park Tiverton to be subject to the prohibition of no dogs allowed. The new area is the Hardcourt, playing field, Play are BMX track at Amory Park. A copy of the plan for this area is enclosed with this letter
 - The remainder of the Amory Park area Tiverton will be subject to the requirement that dogs must be on lead

Please respond to this invitation to consultation by the 31st August 2024.

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Halberton Parish Council DCC Report August 2024

Things are generally quiet at County Hall at the moment; however as Vice Chair of the CIRS Scrutiny committee I have recently had meetings with the Chief Executive and other senior officers covering finance and communities. I will be having more similar meetings next week on Highways, Legal services, HR and Digital Transformation. These provide a valuable insight into the workings of the County council and help us plan future scrutiny meetings.

Here are some news items from Devon County Council:

A group of our care leavers have been working with the University of Exeter to help the University gain a better understanding of life in care.

It follows an independent report last year saying that just 14 per cent of care leavers under the age of 19 progress on to higher education, compared to 47 per cent of all other children.

The overall proportion of care leavers attending Russell Group universities was just 0.4 per cent, the report by the educational charity, Civatas, said.

The University of Exeter wants to be a more accessible place for care experienced young people so that Devon's care leavers aspire to attend and feel supported in higher education.

We and the University invited a group of care leavers to work with the University to highlight the challenges that care experienced people can face, and how best to support them at university.

Over the course of a week, they worked with university staff to develop a better understanding, to identify good practice, and to help bring together a training resource pack for university tutors and recruitment teams.

The resources include guides on trauma-informed tutoring; financial support for care leavers; and a resource to help tutors to better guide their students.

Connecting Devon and Somerset's successful Mobile Boost scheme has re-opened with a fresh £430,000 investment.

The scheme had previously run for two years, until March 2023, with more than £1.1 million of funding through the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership's (HotSWLEP) Growth Deal.

In that time, it helped over 1,700 residents and businesses benefit from a better mobile phone signal, and many of them say it has "transformed" their lives.

The latest round of the scheme will continue to enable businesses and residents in Somerset, Devon, Torbay and Plymouth to apply for a voucher of up to £1,300 towards the cost of a mobile signal booster from a number of registered suppliers. Applicants have to pay towards the cost of installation themselves.

Our two parks, the Grand Western Canal Country Park and Stover Country Park have, once again, been recognised as being amongst the best in the UK after they both received the Green Flag Award. The award is the international quality mark for parks and green spaces.

We manage both and this year marks the 21st consecutive year that Stover Country Park has received the award, and at the Grand Western Canal Country Park it's 16 years.

Councillor Andrea Davis, Devon County Council Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport, said:

"Both parks are extremely special places and I want to congratulate all the staff and volunteers because the retention of the Green Flag Award is entirely down to them; their hard work and the time and effort that they invest every day ensures that the highest standards are maintained year after year.

"Both of these parks are great habitats for our local wildlife, havens of biodiversity and they benefit our health and wellbeing."

This year Green Flag judges further increased the points they awarded to the Grand Western Canal. It follows the Park benefitting from a range of improvements to visitor facilities over the last 12 months, including new notice boards and interpretation panels along the towpath and new video displays in the Visitor Centre.

To mark this The Canal Ranger Service, in partnership with the Tiverton Canal Co, Tiverton Town Council and Mid Devon District Council, held an Open Day on Saturday 13 July.

At the event our Chair Councillor John Hart joined staff and volunteers, council colleagues, the MP for Tiverton and Minehead Rachel Gilmour and Tiverton's Mayor Councillor Neal Davey to mark the 50th anniversary of the horse-drawn barge 'Tivertonian' operating on the canal.

The Canal has also inspired and supported a model swan trail in Tiverton this year, hosting a beautiful 'roses and castles' themed swan in the Canal Basin.

Councillor Colin Slade, Vice Chairman of the Grand Western Canal Joint Advisory Committee and County Councillor for Tiverton East, said:

"Yet again the Grand Western Canal Country Park won a green flag and even managed to increase their score.

"It's not surprising really; it's a fantastic place and the award is richly deserved. I walk along the canal regularly and I see firsthand the hard work put in by Country Park Manager Mark Baker and his team of rangers and volunteers."

More families in Devon will be able to access help and support following the launch of a dedicated Family Hub Advice Line and [website](#), run by the charity Action for Children on behalf of Devon County Council.

Family Hubs are a new way of bringing together all the help a family may need in one place. It's part of a transition in Devon from children's centres, which supported families of children aged 0-8 with a referral from a GP or other professional, to family hubs – which are open to all families with children aged up to 19, or 25 for young people with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) and care leavers.

The free Action for Children-run advice line connects parents and carers to trained family support workers, who can provide a listening ear when things get difficult or can signpost to other support.

It will run alongside a network of Action for Children run Family Hub centres across Devon.

Peninsular-wide careers and skills services for young people aged between 14 and 25 will continue, but the company behind some of them will now close.

CSW Group (previously known as Careers South West) delivers advice and support services to young people across the area. Owned by Cornwall Council, Devon County Council, Plymouth City Council and Torbay Council, the company has been supporting young people around careers and the transition between education and employment for 30 years.

Over the past three years however, since becoming a Teckal organisation, the company has experienced a period of rapid change across the market. The end of the European Funding programme in 2022, and wider financial pressures on local government and the public sector have decreased the number of opportunities coming forward. At the same time, local councils across the UK have sought to rationalise and simplify their services, seeking to reduce cost and adapt to a new environment.

Whilst CSW has worked hard to meet this challenge, improving the short term financial position of the firm and sustaining their strong offer to schools and young people, owners have reluctantly concluded that a change in approach is now needed. As such the decision has been taken to close the company.

The need to provide high quality support to young people as they move from pre to post 16 education/training is in no doubt – last year CSW Group helped more than 2,000 young people in Devon move from situations where they were not in education, employment or training, into a job or course of study. All four Council owners agree that support for young people in Devon and Cornwall around careers and training must and will continue.

Locality Budgets

I have recently granted Locality Budget applications from Halberton Parish Council, Uplowman Parish Council and Halberton and Uplowman Primary schools, along with others from across my Tiverton East Division, including from Tiverton Scouts, The Uplift Charity, Tiverton Town Band, Tiverton Indoor Bowls Centre and Tiverton Museum.

You can find full details of the scheme and the application form at
<https://www.devon.gov.uk/democracy/councillors-nav/locality-budgets/>
Please feel free to contact me for information or to discuss any DCC issues.

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Police Matters

Information circulated to Parish Councillors

Councillor Advocate Scheme

Councillor Browse to report

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9	Vacancies on the Parish Council To consider and, if agreed, approve any applications received.	13

The application form and co-option from Pete Herrod-Taylor is being actioned.

Outstanding interest from three individuals has been followed up.

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New applications:

23/01623/HOUSE

Proposal: Erection of 2 single storey rear extensions

Location: Culters End Ash Thomas Tiverton

Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 300068 / 111057

Parish: Halberton 25

Deadline for comments: 6 August 2024 – extension to 14 August requested

24/00271/FULL

Proposal: Demolition of agricultural building, erection of commercial building and change of use of agricultural land to Use Class B8

Location: Land and Buildings at NGR 304054 111974 Willand Road Business Park Uffculme Devon

Grid Ref: 304136 : 111911

Parish: Halberton 25

Revised and Additional Drawings

Deadline for comments: 19 August 2024

24/01047/FULL

Proposal: Erection of agricultural storage shed following demolition of existing chicken shed

Location: Land at NGR 296107 109139 Backswood Farm Bickleigh

Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 296036 / 109088

Parish: Halberton 25

Deadline for comments: 26 August 2024

Appeals:

23/01141/FULL

Proposal: Variation of condition 13 of planning permission 22/00868/MFUL (Removal of condition 13 of planning permission 17/01142/FULL - further noise assessments) relating to the submission of a noise assessment

Location: Land at NGR 299621 112764 (Red Linhay) Crown Hill Halberton

Application No: 23/01141/FULL

Appeal Ref No. APP/Y1138/W/23/3334670

Appellants Name: Mr John Clapp

Decision awaited.

Hartnoll Farm

The Parish Council is awaiting a date for the new appeal.

Existing applications:

Ref: ABX/DCC/4358/2023

County Matter Planning Application

Retention of existing deposition and temporary landfill site for the deposition of additional inert waste and a construction waste recycling facility with associated works including temporary buildings, access and landscaping, at Land at Greenway, Upplowman, Tiverton

DCC are awaiting more information from the applicant. Depending on the nature of the information, a further consultation period may be necessary.

It is unlikely to go to DCC Planning until September 2024.

The Parish Council will be advised of the meeting date and be able to make representation.

24/00835/LBC – WITHDRAWN – 30/07/24

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for installation of stair lift to western staircase

Location: Middle Beer Brithem Bottom Cullompton

Outstanding Enforcement issues will be placed on the agenda as and when there is further information but as requested a breach of planning was reported for Cloggs Hill quarry.

ENF/24/00109/RURAL

Re: Felling of trees, removal of earth and laying of hardcore.

Siting of gypsy caravan and storage of equipment

Land at NGR 300450 110431 Cloggs Hill Brithem Bottom

MDDC are aware that the area now appears to be being used for waste tipping.

NOTICE OF BREACH OF CONDITION 9

Red Linhay

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11	Consideration of Mid Devon District Council's Planning Decisions	16

The following decisions have been received:

24/00955/CAT – APPROVED 29/7/24

Proposal: Notification of intention to prune lateral growth over boundary by up to 2m max. diameter cut 50mm from 1 Lime tree within a Conservation Area

Location: 32 High Street Halberton Tiverton Devon

23/01548/FULL – APPROVED 12/7/24

Proposal: Erection of a slurry storage tank (997 sqm)

Location: Land at NGR 299384 112863 (Red Linhay) Crown Hill Halberton Devon

Condition

Prior to the commencement of the development hereby approved, a Waste Management Plan informing how the excess slurry will be collected, and managed, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The plan should demonstrate that the slurry store shall only be utilised for purposes of the on-site cattle enterprise and no other commercial or non-agricultural use, including the onsite Anaerobic Digester. The development shall proceed only in accordance with the approved Waste Management Plan.

24/00741/HOUSE – APPROVED 11/7/2024

Parish: Halberton 25

Proposal: Erection of art room

Location: Channings Brithem Bottom Cullompton Devon

24/00742/LBC – WITHDRAWN FOLLOWING APPROVAL UNDER 24/00741/FULL

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the erection of art room

Location: Channings Brithem Bottom Cullompton

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12	Highways matters and the Road and Snow Warden Schemes	17

Update and any new matters to report excluding those reported under the Traffic Committee:

a. Potholes

Repairs continue to take place across the Parish.

b. Road Warden Scheme

Councillors Browse and Furmedge are the Parish Council's Road Wardens
Report from Councillor Furmedge of Strimming training

Lower Town pavements etc.

Information from MDDC

They are usually on an 8 week schedule, depending on breakdowns and staffing.

You can spray as long as the people completing it have the relevant licensing, which will be PA1 and PA6.

c. Snow Warden Scheme

Councillor Batchelor to update on moving salt

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13	Amenity matters	18-19

Update and any new matters pertaining to the amenities located within the parish.
Given the setting up of the Recreation and Amenities Working Group – items under their Terms of Reference have been moved to a separate agenda item.
General safety checks on all Parish Council assets should be carried out.

a. Platinum Jubilee Car Park

There was an online meeting to explain the LEVI electric car charging programme.

Work is ongoing to identify the person responsible for fly-tipping in the car park.

b. Footpaths

Councillor Furmedge to report.

- Decision required on letter to landowners regarding the Definitive Map Review.
- The extension to FP7 within Halberton village has been approved by DCC.
- The canal to Sellake proposal will be heard at the next DCC PRow meeting in November

c. Cemetery

i) Grave lowering completed

Action: Clerk to contact EROB holders - ongoing

ii) safety inspection of the gravestones completed - ongoing

Action: Clerk to contact EROB holders

iii) Noticeboard

With Councillor Batchelor for installation.

iv) Gravel pathways

Councillor Batchelor to report

v) Wood from fallen tree

Councillor Batchelor to report

d. Defibrillators

Update from Councillor Graham. Training to take place in September.

Action: Councillor Graham/Clerk

e. The Orchard Car Park

A proposal will be sent to Parish Councillors for consideration prior to the meeting.

f. Ground Maintenance

The area opposite Bycott has been cut.

g. Bus shelters

Update on quote

Lower Town

Replace broken down pipe bracket.

Clean out both gutters and remove vegetation from rear roof.

Farm Shop.

Form new timber bearer and seat slat (decorate off site) screw both in place.

Replace missing rear down pipe on the left hand end.

Replace front guttering complete with the down pipe.

£393.35

Cost from D B Precision Engineering for the metal down pipe/gutter covers £285+ VAT

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14	Recreation and Amenities Working Group	20

Councillors Batchelor, Browse and Campbell to raise any issues relating to:

a. The Mead

- Quotes for work to be undertaken on the path from the Jubilee car park
- Request to install football nets

b. Community Growing Area

Quotes for the fencing off of the area are proving difficult to obtain.
Update at the meeting

c. Halberton Children's Recreation Ground

- i) update on installation of new equipment and financing
- ii) monthly safety report
- iii) ROSPA report actions
Report on fencing
- iv) safety gate instead of five bar gate
Councillor Batchelor to report
- v) work is ongoing on finding the additional funding required

d. Fund raising

e. Mid Devon Wildlife Warden Scheme

f. Ideas for solar farm cooperation

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To consider any other community matters.

a. Council IT tools Working Group to include Facebook page/Website/Communicating with Parishioners
Report from Councillor Furmedge on Facebook circulated to councillors.

b. Internet connectivity Working Group
Report from Councillor Furmedge

c. Anaerobic Digester Liaison Committee
Email circulated re potential dates.
Action: Clerk to follow-up

d. Flies in Halberton
EHO notice in place

e. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
Update from Mr Charles

f. Emergency Plan
Meeting to be held prior to Apple Pressing on 28 September

h. Neighbourhood Plan
Funding is available to start the process of an neighbourhood plan (£10,000). It would be useful to have a consultant outline the processes

i) Signs for Footpaths
Work in progress.

J) Bags of Help
Given the amount of clothes being received, a request has come through for a second bin.
There would appear to be room and bags are quite often left alongside

k) request for support for Safety of Lithium ion Batteries and e-bikes and scooters

l) 414 clean
Proposal from a individual to hire a hand sweeper.

Roads are currently swept by MDDC on approximately an 8-week cycle

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The Newsletter Working Group met on 2 July 2024.

Issue 174 has been produced and circulated.

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A date for another meeting of Halberton, Sampford Peverell, Uffculme and Willand is under discussion.

A petition is now being prepared through change.org.

The group will meet again in September

Ongoing Halberton matters:

1. Flashing lights at the school in Lower Town
Funding has been found from the budget to carry out the work.
Setting up the work and purchasing the lights is in hand.
Action: Clerk to monitor
2. The pavement at Church Lane – ongoing
The wall alongside Church Lane is quite overgrown and impacting road safety.
3. The solar batteries for the VAS units have been received.
Councillor Batchelor/Browse to report
4. Potential pavement at The Hickory Bridge – dependent on The Orchard and double yellow line application
5. Lorries on the Halberton to Willand road – reports to PC Tim Walsh who is following up with the companies that have been identified
6. Rose Cottage Bridge – as and when re-surfaced
7. Lorries between Halberton and Brithem Bottom – call for additional signage

Community Speed Watch

Councillor Browse has undertaken the training.

Action: Councillor Browse/Clerk to organise a meeting

20mph limits

The Clerk is also looking into the cost of a parish council funded 20mph limit for Lower Town – response awaited from Devon County Council.

The Clerk has submitted a new application for the DCC funded programme.

Portable Air Quality Monitor

Councillor Furmedge to report.

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a. Financial report for the year 2024/25 (June)

Current account

Opening balance 30/06/24		£ 5837.59	
Receipts			
Transfer		£ 5000.00	
Newsletter		£ 395.00	£5395.00
Payments			
Direct Debit (UTILITY WAREHOUSE)	electricity	628.94	
Mrs S McGeever	wages jun 24	614.42	
HMRC	paye	130.00	
SJM Tree Services	tree at cemetery	1500.00	
Lewis Walker	lowering graves	875.00	
Scribe	accounts	619.20	
Paul Russell	internal audit	125.00	
	ground		
Upcott	maintenance	696.00	
Tozers	the mead	1368.00	
(MDDC DIRECT DEBITS)	car park rates	43.00	
(MDDC DIRECT DEBITS)	cemetery rates	29.20	
			£6628.76
Closing balance 31/07/24		£ 4603.83	

Reserve account

Opening balance 30/06/24	£35118.66
Payments	
Transfer	£ 5000.00
Closing balance 31/07/24	£30118.66

Cumulative bank reconciliation form produced in Scribe to be signed by Chairman.
Budget information to be circulated to councillors.

c. Payments to approve (Council):

Google workspace (July)	£ 48.00
Upcott's (ground maintenance - July)	£ 696.00
HMRC (PAYE)	£ 130.00
S McGeever (wages July)	£ 614.42
Brightsea	£ 926.00
C Graham (Newsletter distribution)	£ 30.00

d. Halberton Children's Recreation Ground

Signing of bank documents