

**Minutes of a meeting of Horrabridge Parish Council held in the Village Hall  
On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7.30pm**  
(also available at [www.horrabridge-pc.gov.uk](http://www.horrabridge-pc.gov.uk))

**Present:** Cllr M Huda (Chairman), Cllr S Roche (Vice Chairman), Cllr E Hemsil,  
Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr D Farrar, Cllr Moorhead, Cllr Glinn

**In Attendance:** Cllr Philip Sanders  
Three members of the public  
Caroline Ellis – Clerk

**118:22/23** **Open Session** – None

**119:22/23** **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies tendered by Cllr Lear, due to other work commitments, was approved and apologies from Cllr Moyes was received and noted.

**120:22/23** **Apologies without Absence** - None

**121:22/23** **Declarations of Interest** – None

**122:22/23** **Confirmation of the minutes of the Parish meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022** – The Council **RESOLVED** to agree the minutes of the Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Parish Council Meeting and was a true record and was signed by the Chairman.

**123:22/23** **Consideration of Co-option** – No applications had been received. Cllr Farrar offered to put a notice on the Facebook page.

**124:22/23** **Planning** – The Council noted the comments of the Planning Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
Proposed Base Station Installation Upgrade at CS208076 – Graybridge Road SW,  
JNC Graybridge Road/Tavistock Road, Horrabridge, Yelverton, Devon PL20 7SD  
(NGR: 251060E, 069696N)  
Letter to the developer and the reply had been previously circulated.

**Road Closure** – the following road closure was noted  
Road closure Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Old Station Cattle Grid.

Removal and total replacement of the cattle grid  
Replacement fencing surrounding the cattle grid

**Planning Authority Decisions** – The following decision was noted  
**0345/22** Removal of existing lean-to utility room/porch and erection of timber framed extension, Largie, Horrabridge.

**Grant of Conditional Planning Permission**

**125:22/23** **Finance** – The bank reconciliation dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 and Payments, Clerk's and staff salaries, was reviewed and on the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Farrar, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve.  
On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Edmondson, the Council approved the balance of the grant awarded in January 2022 of £100 to Catalyst Grant.

**126:22/23** **Benches** – The Council considered quotations from Futurform and The Plastic Company. On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Edmondson, the Council **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from The Plastic Company for two Eclipse Benches 150cm x 64cm x 85cm at a cost of £350 each with a delivery cost of £45.00 The Clerk would place the order.

**127:22/23** **Christmas Lights** – On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Farrar, the Council **RESOLVED** to approve a budget of up to £200 for Christmas lights and trees. Cllr Glinn offered to test the Christmas tree lights. Cllr Moorhead would approach shops and businesses regarding Christmas trees. Cllr Glinn would source the required Christmas trees.

**128:22/23** **Warm Spaces** - The Clerk informed the Council that she had spoken to DALC regarding safeguarding issues and the possible grant funding. It was decided as the Church were offering a Warm Space in the village, it was not necessary to pursue this.

**129:22/23** **Polices** – On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Farr the Council **RESOLVED** to adopt the following policies.  
Safeguarding Policy  
Co-option Policy  
Internal Control Policy

**130:22/23** **Progress Reports** –  
Cllr Edmondson suggested the Council purchased 5 push-along grit spreaders at a cost of £129.99 each. The Council decided not to purchase these as they were very heavy to push, and they were not very effective and were liable to seize. Cllr Hemsil reported he had been in contact with LiveWest regarding the grounds of Davy House, they assured him the grounds would be tidied. The building had now been empty for 3 years. Cllr Hemsil would chase again as no progress had been made. The planning application for the site was still being processed. Cllr Farrar reported to the Council a HRFT website had been created to promote their aims and future plans. A 'Brick by Brick' campaign had been launched to help with raising funds for the pavilion, which had already received one donation of £500, for 5 bricks. The path from Walkham Meadows down to the football field in Fillace Park was cleared of leaves and mud making the path more accessible and safer. This had been done by Cllr Farrar and Cllr Glinn. The Council thanked them for their efforts. Cllr Glinn had cleared a fallen tree from the Youth Club. The branches were put in their carpark for their use. Cllr Glinn reported tree works would commence on 14<sup>th</sup> November. Two trees at the allotments had ash die-back and would need attention. He asked if payment had been made regarding the Japanese Knotweed. The Clerk informed him payment had been made but would confirm amounts. Cllr Moorhead reported work had commenced on the Methodist Church grounds. He was waiting for a call regarding the plaques in Fillace Park and New Park. Cllr Moorhead had contacted the police regarding the smell of cannabis on a path near the school. They would be investigating.

**131:22/23** **Open Spaces Report** – The Chairman, Cllr Huda informed the Council, Cllr Edmondson had resigned as Chair of Open Spaces but would remain on the Committee. Cllr Edmondson reported that she had sent photographs of the abandoned vehicle to Cllr Moyses. The vehicle is in a dangerous position. The Clerk offered to report the issue to WDBC.

**132:22/23 Borough and County Councillor Report** - Cllr Sanders informed the Council there was a DNPA meeting planned to review the Bylaw Consultation. DFRA would approve the final draft. Due to a reduced budget, there would be cuts in services and a possible loss of 12 employees. The visitor centre at Princetown was also under threat of closure. John Hart, the leader of Devon County Council had reported the financial situation had never been so bleak as it is now. There had been a surge in demand for support for vulnerable children and adults. More cuts would be necessary. They were facing a £70m overspend and a possible £75m shortfall in the budget for next year. Cllr Sanders had never known anything like it.

Cllr Roche thanked Cllr Sanders for the £2000 Localities Grant awarded to HRFT.

**133:22/23 Councillors reports and items for future agenda** – Cllr Glinn requested the Road Warden Scheme be discussed at the next meeting. Chairman, Cllr Huda reminded the Cllrs of Remembrance Day Parade.

**134:22/23 Open Session** – A member of the public informed the Council of the smell of cannabis on the path near the school. This was mentioned by Cllr Moorhead in item 130:22/23 and he had reported it to the police, but he would speak to them again for an update. It was reported by a member of the public that the hedgehog signs had been removed at the weekend and had been a success as there were only 4 reported deaths over the period. He believed it made drivers aware and they were driving more carefully along the road. He had written several articles which had been published in the Tavistock Times and Moor Link. One of the signs had been damaged but had been repaired. The signs will go back out in April.

It was **RESOLVED** that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item as it involves the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information.

**135:22/23 Staffing Matters** – The Clerk reported a member of the public had enquired regarding the Handyman vacancy. An advertisement would be published inviting more applicants to apply.

On the proposition of Cllr Huda, seconded Cllr Roche it was **RESOLVED** to move out of Part 2 and ratify decisions made therein. The meeting was closed at 8.45pm

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**Councillor M Huda**  
**Chairman**

**DATED:**