

6 Members of the public were present

Present: Mr R Tully (Chairman), Mrs C. Hunt, Miss E Bridge, Miss P Ellis, Mr P. Fenwick, Mrs R. Garner
Mr I. Jones, Mr H Rawlings and Mr J Robinson.

In Attendance

1 **Apologies** – District Cllr Rose Rowe

2 **To confirm the minutes of the last meeting on 25^h November 2013**
Taken as read and signed by the Chairman,

3 **Matters arising from the Minutes** – Cllr Fenwick advised that Cllr Tully had responded under item 7 stating that he had attended a Totnes Town Council Neighbourhood Plan meeting and that Totnes had a population of 8 thousand people but only 21 were present. Cllr Fenwick pointed out that this was incorrect information as it was not an open meeting. Cllr Tully had also stated that Nationally 683 plans had been produced with less than 10 actually approved. The plans were in fact in process. With respect to the statement concerning SHDC being able to handle only 2 NPs at a time this had already been formally denied by Mr Swiss although he may have made a private comment to the Chair. It was agreed that the points raised by Cllr Fenwick were correct.

4 **The Neighbourhood Plan Process.** The Chairman referred to a draft letter which had been circulated by Cllr Robinson. Cllr Fenwick advised that he had also revised a letter. Cllr Robinson passed round a copy of this letter and the Chairman requested that the Council considered the content of both draft letters and to produce one final draft. Discussion took place and a final draft letter was agreed. The adjusted letter would be circulated to all Cllrs to confirm acceptance. Printing of the letter together with a reply form would be arranged by an outside firm of printers and circulated to all properties in the Parish during early January 2014. It was agreed to change the date of returning form to 20th February 2014 and the response forms could be returned to either Cllr Robinson or to Stoke Gabriel Stores. E-mail responses could also be made to stokegabrielnp@btinternet.com or a ‘Survey Monkey site’ to be set up by Cllr Rawlings. After the closing date all forms and e-mails would be counted by Cllrs Fenwick, Jones, Garner and Robinson and the result would be reported at the Parish Council meeting on 24th February 2014.

5 **Planning** The following planning applications had been considered at a meeting held on 16th December 2013 at which the following councillors were present: Tully, Ellis, Robinson, and Bridge.

1. Rhosneigr, Aish Road - Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of new dwelling **No Objection**
2. Midsummer Barn, Rowes Farm – Erection of single storey extension **No Objection**
3. Starlings, Hillfield – Single storey, flat roof extension **No Objection subject to any response from neighbours**

Cllr Bridge declared an interest in item one and Cllr Ellis declared an interest in item 3 and neither took part in the consideration

Planning Applications Granted by SHDC –

1. Gabriel Court Hotel – Demolition of extension to hotel and existing garage
2. Swallows Barns, Higher Well – Conversion of barn to dwelling

Planning Applications refused by SHDC – Dolphins, Vicarage Close, Erection of double garage
Applications Withdrawn – None

Appeals Received by SHDC – None

Ongoing Applications – Cllr Robinson advised that he had written to the Council’s solicitor with a view to exchanging solicitor details and start the purchase of the land process. Cllr Robinson advised that the owner had no objection to the Council making a start on the entrance to the field to commence clearance work. Linden Homes also had no objection to clear the access strip. Cllr Jones proposed that work should commence soon to be able to clear the hedge rows before the February deadline and this was seconded by Cllr Fenwick and agreed by all.

6 **Matters raised by Councillors** – Cllr Bridge advised that no further police reports would be submitted to the Council. There was now a scheme where one can register on to the community messaging system should they wish to receive regular updates that the police send out. Cllr Fenwick stated that the draft Lynton & Lynmouth Neighbourhood Plan , which according to a DEFRA case study document has been legally tested, contains a strategy to control the building of second homes on new developments primary residences only. This plan was Plan passed by a referendum on November 21st, 2013 and had been adopted on 3rd December as part of the Exmoor Nation Park Local Plan.

Cllr Fenwick advised that the main message from the SHDC Planning Workshop which he had attended was that due to the lack of five year housing supply presumption of sustainable development applies to new applications from developers.

A report of a large pot hole at the top of Barn Park near Flood Street was reported and Cllr Ellis raised concerns over the constant flooding at the approach to the narrows from Paignton. Cllr Rowe would be asked to look at these issues.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

Date of next Meeting- **27th January 2014** .