

EAST HARPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2015**

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: EAST HARPTREE THEATRE @ 7.30pm

		<i>Present:</i> Cllrs Peter King (Chairman), Mike Jennings, Paul Waldron and Andrew Jones; also in attendance Cllr Tim Warren and Alan Butcher (Clerk)	
	763	<i>Apologies for absence.</i> None.	
	764	<i>Public Forum:</i> The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation. Two members of the public were present. Chris Head raised a number of matters concerned with the Placemaking Plan and the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan. He advised of recent changes to government legislation in respect of affordable homes and asked the Parish Council to be aware of such changes and the way they affected the CVNP. He also expressed concern about the situation with the defibrillator and referred to the last meeting minutes. He felt that the situation needed resolution as soon as possible.	
	765	<i>Declarations of Interest:</i> None.	
	766	<i>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</i> Motion that the acceptance of the minutes of the meeting held on 18 th August 2015 be postponed until the meeting on 15 th September 2015 was agreed unanimously.	
	767	<i>Placemaking plan:</i> Submission of response to the PMP Assessment Report to BANES: Cllr King had discussed various matters with Julie O'Rourke at BANES and had received an email confirming various points which included: The omission of Currells Field from the options as this was grade 1 agricultural land. Confirmation that Parkers Mead could not be designated as Local Green Space partly because of its proximity to the school and that another proposed green space, Harptree Court Parkland could not be designated as it was too large to be included. Councillors were concerned that the stated requirement of 10 – 15 dwellings could be compromised if less than this number were proposed on the remaining sites at Water Street and Pinkers Farm leaving other sites not considered vulnerable to development. Cllr King expressed concerns about the proposals for Pinkers Mead and felt that another site might be a better option because of site conditions.	

		<p>General concern was expressed that, with the granting of 8 dwellings at Water Street and the proposed 5 – 7 dwellings at Pinkers Farm, that another site might be required to fulfil the East harptree quota of up to 15 homes. It was agreed to seek clarification on this point.</p> <p>Clarification was also required on the proposed open space referred by Julie O'Rourke as "the former orchard" as councillors were unclear if this referred to "Hills Orchard" to the east of Water Street or another site between Greyhollow and Water Street.</p> <p>It was agreed to seek clarification on the above points which were summarised as follows:</p> <p>"East Harptree Parish Council has met to discuss various revisions to the Place Making Plan. These have been made following a telephone conversation on 28th August and subsequent email between Julie O'Rourke and Peter King, Parish Council Chairman.</p> <p>Julie O'Rourke proposed the following revisions which are summarised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• That option SR7 known as Currells Field cannot be included as an option as this is grade 1 agricultural land.• That green space GR1 known as Parkers Mead cannot be designated as Local Green Space because of its proximity to the local school.• That the Harptree Court Parkland cannot be designated as Local Green Space. <p>East Harptree Parish Council has debated these revisions and is seeking clarification on the following points before confirming the necessary revisions to the Place Making Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With the granting of permission for eight dwellings on option SR6 known as Water Street and the suggested allocation of five to seven dwellings at SR5 known as Pinkers Farm, does this fulfil the allocation for East Harptree and give protection against development of other sites in and around the village?• Should the Pinkers Farm proposal come forward with less than seven dwellings giving a total for sites SR5 and SR6 of more than ten but less than fifteen dwellings, is the allocation for East Harptree still fulfilled and would this still provide protection against other developments in the village or would another site need to be allocated.• Is there any advantage in pursuing the Green Space designation of the part of Parkers Mead not allocated to the school as this area sits at the heart of the village or would it remain as an unallocated space.• If a proposal for development of Parkers Mead came forward, how would this effect the allocation of 10 – 15 dwellings in East Harptree and would it be possible to remove site SR5 if the Parkers Mead proposal fulfilled the allocation?	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Julie O'Rourke indicated that an area which she referred to as "a former orchard" can be designated as a Local Green Space. Councillors believe that this may refer to three paddocks between Water Street and Greyhollow which are the subject of a section 106 agreement rather than the Green Space proposed by the Parish Council known as Hills Orchard which is to the east of Water Street. The location needs to be clarified. Councillors also seek clarification as to whether it is necessary to identify other green spaces at this time or whether can these be added during the period of the plan? <p>The Parish Council is hoping that these points can be dealt with by email in the first instance but may also seek a meeting to discuss these points further. The council understands that there is a deadline of 15th September to make these revisions to the Place Making Plan."</p> <p>Clerk to email Simon deBeer with these points with copy to Julie O'Rourke and Cllr Warren. It was hoped that these points could be resolved by email but should there be the need for a meeting this could take place before the next Parish Council meeting on 15th September.</p>	
	768	<u>Matters of Report:</u> Cllr Jennings advised that the signs on the B3114 at the traffic calming points had been damaged. Clerk to report to highways.	
	769	<u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u> The next scheduled meeting is 15 th September 2015.	

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