HOLCOMBE ROGUS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee

Held on Thursday 7th September 2023 at 7.00pm

APPROVED

9.1   **Present:**   **Action**
Councillors: Nikki Orchard (Vice-Chair), Jane lock, Sally Barker,
Frances Freeman and Rupert Snooks
Parish Clerk – Mrs Leslie Findlay
12 Residents

9.2   **Apologies:**
Apologies received from Councillor Adam Pilgrim

9.2   **Conflicts of Interest:** None declared

9.4   **22/00907/FULL** Retention of disused quarry for use as two firing ranges at Devon &
Cornwall constabulary Pondground Quarry.
*This meeting was held to discuss with residents any further objections that should be
raised prior to the MDDC Planning Committee Meeting on Wednesday 27th September.*

The following points were raised:
- Residents were very frustrated that the firing demonstration laid on for the new
Planning Committee members did not reflect a true day's shooting that they
have been subjected to for many years.
- The members were taken to several sites around the Parish but missed out on
several places where the noise is particularly loud and with only 10 police
firing without the usual backup of a further 10 ready to shoot there was always
a gap when weapons were loaded.
- This should be a new application not a continuation of a temporary permission
that lapsed over 8 years ago.
- The previous application breached conditions but were never enforced by
MDDC.
- If shooting is to be permitted on this site it must be stipulated it is for Devon
& Cornwall Constabulary only
- There has been no shooting on this site since May 22 and the police themselves
admitted that they had not been in breach of their training and policy
agreements as they had stated.

The Parish Council confirmed that they will be issuing a statement to be read out in the
Planning Committee. Clerk to register the request to the Committee Clerk and inform
residents how to register.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.40pm.

N Orchard
Vice Chair
Planning Committee
Holcombe Rogus Parish Council