

**THE MILLENNIUM VILLAGE GREEN**

On behalf of the community, in February 2018 the Parish Council applied to Teignbridge District Council to have the Millennium Village Green registered as an Asset of Community value. This essentially gives the community a right to bid for the land, should the Trustees decide to sell it. The right is to bid not to buy but it is hoped that should this situation ever arise, there may be an opportunity to secure and preserve it for use now and by future generations. The District Council supported the application, however the Trustees requested that the decision be reviewed.

On Tuesday 14 August an oral hearing was held at Forde House, Newton Abbot, to allow the Reviewer to consider further oral evidence. None of the Trustees attended and therefore no additional information was

available to the Reviewer to understand their request. The Parish Clerk attended and gave evidence for the Parish Council on behalf of parishioners and a representative of the Village Hall committee attended and gave evidence on behalf of the Village Hall Trust.

The Reviewer agreed to consider the case and report by 31 August 2018.

The Parish Council has been informed that the Reviewer has upheld the original decision and the Millennium Village Green is therefore registered as an Asset of Community Value. Over the next 5 years, it cannot be sold without the Parish Council being notified and you as a community having an opportunity to submit an offer.

You will have read in the August edition of Country News that the Public Liability insurance that the

Parish Council provided for the Village Green on behalf of the Trustees, was nullified by the Trustees own declaration that they were 'taking back control' of the Village Green and would raise funds to pay for the maintenance. The Parish Council insurance was under written on the condition that we maintained the land in question. The Trustees have been informed of this. It is not known whether appropriate insurance has subsequently been taken out by them to cover the use of the land by the community.

**NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting will be on Monday 8th October. at 7:30pm in Shillingford St George village hall. Please come along and join us.

*Shillingford Parish Council*

**MORE INFORMATION**

Details about the parish council include information can be found on the website.

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**QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?**

Any comments or questions for the parish council please contact the clerk.

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