Dundry Parish Council  

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 10th July 2017 at 7.30 pm  

(These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting)

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux  

In Attendance: Councillors Ralph Gay, Jim Scott, David Hurford, Thomas Armitt, Steve McCarthy, Amanda Scott.  

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

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**10/07/2017 - 2222 Apologies** had been received from Cllrs Maggie Keast, Simon Fiddian and Nancy Jennings and PC Martin Faithful.

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**10/07/2017 - 2223 Chair’s welcome and introduction.**  
Cllr Laux welcomed all to the meeting.

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**10/07/2017 - 2224 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda**  
2224.1. Cllr A. Scott declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2231.1 Sports and Social Club because her property backs onto the playing field. She was given dispensation to take part in the discussion.

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**10/07/2017 - 2225 It was resolved to exclude the press and public during discussion of item 2231.1 – Playing Field – Sports and Social Club because this would involve discussion of confidential legal information. (Proposed Cllr Gay, seconded Cllr Scott)**

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**10/07/2017 - 2226 Minutes of Previous Meeting**  
2226.1. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th June 2017 were approved as a true record (proposed Cllr Gay, seconded Cllr J Scott)

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**10/07/2017 - 2227 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch**  
2227.1. No Crime report had been received at the meeting but the following report was received from PC Faithfull the following day: In the previous month there had been: 5 Thefts, 1 Theft Of a Motor Vehicle, 1 case of Criminal Damage  
2227.2. The Clerk said she had nothing to report on Neighbourhood Watch.

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**10/07/2017 - 2228 Public Forum**  
2228.1. A comment had been received that the ‘Chris Glover’ bench was again in need of maintenance. Cllr Gay and Cllr Hurford would deal with this.

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**10/07/2017 - 2229 District Councillor Report**  
2229.1. There was no District Councillor report.  
Cllr Armitt joined the meeting at this point

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**10/07/2017 - 2230 Finance**  
2230.1. The Financial report for July was approved (Proposed Cllr A Scott, seconded Cllr Gay)  
2230.2. The Chair signed the Clerk’s time sheet for July  
2230.3. Payment of the following cheques was approved:  

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<td>100649</td>
<td>Clubhouse water</td>
<td>31.35</td>
<td>Playing Field utility bills</td>
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<td>June and July Salary (Total 785.00)</td>
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<td>Clerk's salary</td>
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<td>SLCC Subscription 2017 - 2018</td>
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<td>ALCC Subscription 2017 - 2018</td>
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<td>100653</td>
<td>DAC Beachcroft Legal Fees to end May</td>
<td>2,109.00</td>
<td>Playing Field legal Fees</td>
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<td>100654*</td>
<td>Jody's GS Village orderly April -June</td>
<td>394.50</td>
<td>Village Orderly (Other)</td>
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* Invoice received too late for finance report.

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**10/07/2017 - 2231 Playing Field**  
2231.1. **Sports and Social Club**  
2231.1.1. **Meeting with Chew Valley FC 21st June 2017**  
Since the previous Parish Council meeting a fact-finding meeting had been held with representatives of Chew Valley Football Club (CVFC). Dundry PC had been told that two of these representatives, along with four members of Dundry AFC (DAFC), were the new trustees of Dundry Sports and Social Club. No representatives of Dundry AFC were present. CVFC had explained that for the last twenty years they had been providers of football for young people between the ages of six and fifteen in the Chew Valley. Their main use of the pitches would be on Sundays with some evening training. In order to avoid over-using the pitches they
would not be introducing other teams. CVFC had shown a willingness to communicate and to remedy the breaches in the lease agreement. However Councillors were concerned at their inability to provide evidence that they were in fact the legally appointed trustees of Dundry Sports and Social Club and that the lease and licence had been assigned to them. CVFC had agreed to send to DPC the minutes of the AGM at which the new trustees had been elected but had subsequently withdrawn this offer on legal advice.

2231.1.2. **Proposed CVFC Fun Day 16th September.** Shortly after the meeting CVFC had forwarded to the Clerk information about a ‘Fun Day’ they intended to hold on 16th September. The Clerk had replied that apart from the legal considerations this event was likely to clash with St Giles’ Fair. CVFC had decided to discuss the matter direct with the PCC who organise St Giles’ Fair. It was not known what the outcome had been.

2231.1.3. **Solicitor’s advice and next actions.** The solicitor had been consulted on the most recent developments and the Clerk had circulated to councillors a summary of the present legal situation. Councillors generally agreed that they would like to be able to engage with CVFC in a constructive manner but were hampered by the lack of clarity over who were the legal trustees of the Sports and Social Club. They agreed that it was not in the best interests of the parish to commence discussions with individuals who were not able to prove their legal status as trustees. Councillors also felt that much of the present situation could be traced back to the way in which the Dundry Sports and Social Club was set up.

It was unanimously agreed to:

- Write to CVFC requesting proof of legal status or an explanation of why it could not be provided. It would also be suggested that if the current legal difficulties can be resolved, and mutual trust established, councillors would like to explore the possibility of creating a direct relationship with Chew Valley Football Club.
- Write to the previous trustees asking if they had handed over the trusteeship in the proper manner.

2231.1.4. **Other actions – none at present**

2231.2. **Miscellaneous**

2231.2.1. **Request from Dundry Primary School** for grass to be cut and white lines painted for sports day 14/7 – School have taken their request direct to CVFC.

2231.2.2. **Request from Dundry Primary School** to park a truck on the playing field for Summer Fair 15/7 – Councillors agreed that since the weather had been predominately dry they had no objection to this.

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<td>2232.1. A38 speed limit – it was hoped to arrange a meeting with NSC engineers within the next week</td>
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<td>2232.2. Accident outside Dundry School – Cllr McCarthy reported that on 30th June a car had sped out of Hill Road and driven into the school wall, shortly before end of school time. Four young men had climbed out of the car and run away. Police had been called but took some time to arrive. Councillors were relieved that this incident had not resulted in injuries.</td>
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<td>2233.1. <strong>Broadband</strong> - Councillor Laux reported that Wight Wireless had commenced installation, using a very temporary infrastructure in order to install broadband at as many properties as possible before the end of June voucher deadline. Fortunately the cut-off date for use of vouchers had now been extended to September 30th which would enable them to get a more permanent system in place. There had been some teething problems but customers who had been connected early on now appeared to be receiving an excellent service.</td>
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<td>2233.2. <strong>Wall opposite entrance to village hall</strong> – Cllr Jennings had met with Bristol Water to discuss improving the quality of stone work to the wall which had been rebuilt after installation of a water main. The farmer had complained that he had not been involved in the discussion. Councillors agreed that he should have been consulted as a matter of courtesy. Cllr Laux would ring him to apologise.</td>
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<td>2233.3. <strong>Village agent – suggestion of monthly coffee morning</strong> – The village agent had suggested holding a monthly coffee morning in the parish. The manager of the Royal British Legion had offered to host it. Councillors were not sure there would be a demand but saw no harm in trying the idea out. The Clerk would reply to the village agent.</td>
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<td>2234.1. <strong>New Local Plan for North Somerset-developing options for housing delivery</strong> – Clerk</td>
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<td>2234.1.1. The Clerk had circulated the slides from this meeting and now outlined the main points from it. At present the Green Belt was not under review but North Somerset council were under</td>
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great pressure to find more sites for development

10/07/2017 - 2235 Planning
2235.1. Applications Received
17/P/1350/F Broadoak House, Broadoak Hill, Dundry, BS41 8NB - Removal of existing front boundary hedge and provision of reconstructed stone wall, increase of existing entrance width. - no objection
17/P/1352/F 52 Dundry Lane, Dundry, BS41 8JQ - Erection of a rear conservatory – no objection

2235.2. Applications Approved by NSC (noted)
17/P/0425/F Grove Cottage, Highridge Road, Dundry, BS41 8JT - Conversion of existing garage into annex

2235.3. Applications Refused by NSC – none (noted)
2235.4. Other Planning Matters
2235.4.1. Cllr Fiddian had received a complaint from a parishioner about the height of the ‘Bridge View’ development. The Clerk had taken some photographs but it was difficult to see whether the houses were in fact higher than shown on the planning application drawings. She would discuss it with Cllr Fiddian.

10/07/2017 - 2236 Reports
2236.1. The Clerk’s Report for the previous month had been circulated and was noted. She noted in particular the following:
2236.2. ‘No dogs’ signs – she had experimented with laminated ‘No Dogs allowed anywhere on the Recreation Ground’ signs. However, since there was a person walking a dog on the playing field during the meeting these didn’t seem to have worked! More signs were probably needed.
2236.3. Lines at the ends of Crabtree Lane – The Clerk had asked NSC to refresh these and this had been done on the day of the meeting. The Clerk was asked to thank NSC for their swift response.
2236.4. Other Reports
2236.4.1. Cllr Armitt outlined the Recycling Group’s suggestions for achieving the Silver Award in the NSC Recycling challenge.

DPC needed to commit to 6 actions for encouraging recycling. After some discussion it was agreed that the most achievable were:
• Engagement with Community Groups to spread the word
• Find more community Champions
• Meet with the reuse and recycling crew
• Work with the school/pre-school
• Host recycling events (Cllr Armitt would contact the WI about the possibility of holding the NSC WEEE amnesty after the WI jumble sale)
• Gather more residents pledges

10/07/2017 - 2237 Correspondence
2237.1. There was no correspondence of note not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda

10/07/2017 - 2238 Date of next meeting
2238.1. It was provisionally agreed to hold a meeting on 14th August to discuss progress with the Playing Field and to deal with any planning applications. The Clerk would check the availability of the hall.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 9.50 p.m.
Copies of the full minutes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Monday 10th July can be found on the village notice boards, on the parish website (www.dundry.org.uk) or obtained from the Clerk, Mrs Judith Hoskin – Tel: 0117 9642804, email: parishclerk@dundry.org.uk
Abridged versions are available in the Parish News and in the Chew Valley Gazette.

The next full meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on Monday 11th September 2017

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by Monday 4th September You can also raise matters in the Public Forum but, depending on what they are, full discussion may have to be left to the following meeting.