

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 11th September 2017 at 7.30 pm

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

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux

In Attendance: Councillors Ralph Gay, David Hurford, Thomas Armitt (part time), Amanda Scott.(part time)
Nancy Jennings.

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

No members of the public were present.

<p>11/09/2017 - 2239 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Maggie Keast, Simon Fiddian, Jim Scott and Steve McCarthy, Ian Wilson (NSC Parish Liaison officer), Cllr Nick Wilton and PC Martin Faithful.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2240 Chair's welcome and introduction. 2240.1. Cllr Laux welcomed all to the meeting.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2241 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda 2241.1. Cllr A. Scott declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2249.1 Sports and Social Club because her property backs onto the playing field. She also declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2252 PCAA as her husband is a pilot. She was given dispensation to take part in the discussion.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2242 Minutes of Previous Meeting 2242.1. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10th July 2017 were approved as a true record (proposed Cllr Gay, seconded Cllr Hurford)</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2243 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch 2243.1. The following crime report had been received from PC Faithful:: In the previous month there had been:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 x Theft From a Motor Vehicle • 1 x Criminal Damage • 1 x accident • 1 x other <p>Please be aware, Outbuilding and Plant/Farm machinery are still being targeted by Criminals. Fly tipping continues to be an issue across Redwood Beat. Please report any such incidents to the Local Council who are the lead agency on such matters With the darker evenings approaching, now is the time to invest in Security lighting and Timer switches. Review your home security and take action. Your Neighbourhood Beat Team can come and give you Crime Prevention and Target hardening advice for your home, outbuilding and vehicles.</p> <p>2243.2. The Clerk said she had nothing to report on Neighbourhood Watch but she distributed Newsletters from the Police and Crime Commissioner.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2244 Public Forum 2244.1. Cllr Hurford reported that the potholes in Castle Farm Lane are very bad. Clerk to report.</p>	Clerk
<p>11/09/2017 - 2245 District Councillor Report 2245.1. Cllr Wilton had written that he had little to report from North Somerset Council, He urged councillors to get involved in the Bristol South West Economic Link Study as he considered expansion of the airport to be inevitable and the best that could be hoped for was mitigation of the worst effects.</p> <p>He had been working on problems in the Avon Fire and Rescue Service There had been a Value for Money Inspection published in July 2017 which was available should any Councillor or resident be interested to read it. He was happy to give those who are interested as much information as they wished. AFRS had serious issues. The Chief Fire Officer and Deputy Chief Fire Officer had both been suspended and to be investigated as are others.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2246 Finance 2246.1. The Financial report for September was approved (Proposed Cllr Jennings, seconded Cllr Hurford)</p>	

<p>2246.2. The Chair signed the Clerk's time sheet for September.</p> <p>2246.3. The Clerk said that the External Audit had been completed. The report would be published on the website.</p> <p>2246.4. Payment of the following cheques was approved:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>100655*</td> <td>Playsafety Ltd</td> <td>117.60</td> <td>General</td> <td>Playground Inspections</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100656</td> <td>EDF Energy Customers PLC</td> <td>52.85</td> <td>General</td> <td>Clubhouse utility bills</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100657</td> <td>PCAA</td> <td>50.00</td> <td>General</td> <td>Fixed bills and subscriptions</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100658</td> <td>Judith Hoskin (Total 401.3)</td> <td>375.00</td> <td>General</td> <td>Clerk's salary</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>26.30</td> <td>General</td> <td>Office Expenses</td> </tr> </table> <p>*Paid in August</p> <p>2246.5. Cllr Laux said that the payment for website hosting would be due soon. He would investigate whether it was possible to pay this by Direct Debit.</p>	100655*	Playsafety Ltd	117.60	General	Playground Inspections	100656	EDF Energy Customers PLC	52.85	General	Clubhouse utility bills	100657	PCAA	50.00	General	Fixed bills and subscriptions	100658	Judith Hoskin (Total 401.3)	375.00	General	Clerk's salary			26.30	General	Office Expenses	<p>Clerk/Cllr Laux</p> <p>Cllr Laux</p>
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<p><i>Cllr A Scott joined the meeting. Since Cllr Armitt was expected shortly it was agreed to proceed from item 17 of the agenda (Planning) until he arrived.</i></p>																										
<p>11/09/2017 - 2247 Planning</p> <p>2247.1. Applications Received</p> <p>17/P/2012/F The Coach House, Church Road, Dundry, BS41 8LH First floor extension, construction of new roof including rear dormer – <i>no comment</i></p> <p>17/P/2058/F 40 Dundry Lane, Dundry, BS41 8JQ - Erection of a single storey side and rear extension, the erection of a new porch entrance on the side elevation following the Demolition of the single storey timber framed carport at the side of the property – <i>no comment</i></p> <p>2247.2. Applications Approved by NSC (noted)</p> <p>17/P/1352/F 52 Dundry Lane, Dundry, BS41 8JQ - Erection of a rear conservatory</p> <p>2247.3. Applications Refused by NSC – none (noted)</p> <p>2247.4. Application withdrawn</p> <p>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.</p> <p>2247.5. Other Planning Matters</p> <p>2247.5.1. Planning Enforcement – The Clerk had circulated NSC's most recent planning enforcement list. She had made enquiries as to why the over-high fence on Castle Farm Lane no longer featured on it but as yet received no reply.</p> <p>2247.5.2. Complaint about height of Bridge View Development (see minutes of previous meeting item 2235.4.1) The Clerk said that now the roof was complete it was clear that the development was higher than the adjoining building. She had asked NSC to investigate.</p> <p>2247.5.3. NSC - Site Allocations Plan: Further Assessment of Residential Sites – As part of the Core Strategy NSC had been asked by the Planning Inspector to investigate additional sites for potential development. None of the sites being considered was in Dundry.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>																									
<p>11/09/2017 - 2248 Reports</p> <p>2248.1. The Clerk's Report for the previous month had been circulated and was noted. Councillors also noted the following:</p> <p>2248.1.1. Work had been taking place on Broadoak Hill that day.</p> <p>2248.1.2. A new railing had been installed at 'Storm Point' on Dundry Lane</p> <p>2248.1.3. The experimental laminated A4 'No dogs' signs appeared to be having the desired effect. The Clerk was asked to order permanent versions to be located on the gatepost and on the kissing gate.</p> <p>2248.2. The Clerk said that she had decided to resign, probably in August 2018, by which time she would have been in post for 9 years. She was telling councillors now to allow them time to consider any budgetary and other administrative implications.</p> <p>2248.3. <i>Cllr Armitt joined the meeting at this point</i></p> <p>2248.4. Other Reports</p> <p>2248.5. Cllr Armitt reported that the NSC recycling challenge had been temporarily suspended because of staffing difficulties in the NSC Waste Minimisation Department. It was hoped to reinstate it when more staff had been recruited.</p> <p><i>The meeting returned to the agenda at item 9.0 – Playing Field</i></p>	<p>Clerk</p>																									

<p>11/09/2017 - 2249 Playing Field 2249.1. Sports and Social Club 2249.1.1. CVFC Update on progress with assigning lease and licence & reason for survey. Following the July PC meeting CVFC had been asked again to provide proof of their legal status or give reasons why they could not. No satisfactory response had been received and a further email detailing exactly what was required had been sent. Meanwhile the Clerk had contacted the original trustees who had told her that they had resigned but not attended any meetings or signed any documents. From this it appeared that the lease and licence had not yet been assigned. At the beginning of September the Clerk had asked CVFC for an update for the PC meeting on progress with assigning the lease and licence and an explanation of why a survey had been taking place on the playing field on 1st September. She had received no reply, and no acknowledgment of her email.</p> <p>2249.1.2. Agree next actions Councillors had to conclude that, for whatever reason, CVFC were not intending to provide either proof of trusteeship or that the agreements had been assigned. They agreed that this situation was not in the interests of the parish and could not be allowed to continue. They were supportive of sports activities for young people and had hoped to form a good relationship with CVFC but this appeared not to be possible. The Clerk was asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send an email to CVFC saying that, if proof of assignment of the agreements was not received within seven days, formal action would be taken. • Contact the solicitor for further advice on appropriate action. • Draft a statement for the Parish News explaining the situation to parishioners. 	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2250 Road Safety 2250.1. A38 speed limit – The Clerk reported that she and Cllr Fiddian had met with two NSC engineers in August. Although acknowledging that there was now a considerable amount of traffic on this stretch of road the engineers had repeated their opinion that 50 mph was an appropriate speed limit, despite the number of dwellings and businesses along its length. Cllr Fiddian had had further correspondence with the engineers, mainly about parking outside the construction site at Bridge View and on the visibility improvement area and the danger of exiting from Dundry Lane. However, despite several road traffic incidents at the end of Dundry Lane it appeared that this location did not meet NSC’s criteria for further road safety measures. Councillors were of the opinion that data used against these criteria (number of personal injuries in a certain amount of time) might soon be out of date because of the increase of traffic since the opening of the South Bristol Link but there appeared to be nothing further that could be done unless the criteria were met.</p> <p>2250.2. Incident in East Dundry – The Clerk and Cllr Armitt reported that there had been an incident in East Dundry where a car being driven too fast had failed to negotiate the corner by Walnut Farm and had instead ended up in the drive of that property. The occupants had abandoned the car, with its engine still running, and left the scene in a car which had been following. This incident had led to calls from residents for a 20 mph speed limit but councillors were of the opinion that this would be have been unlikely to deter these particular drivers. The Clerk said that NSC had promised to refresh the road markings in this area and replace the corner sign.</p>	
<p>11/09/2017 - 2251 Other Matters 2251.1. Broadband - Councillor Laux reported that Wight Wireless were proceeding with installation but finding the practicalities of getting direct line of sight to the transmitters more challenging than originally thought. He would ask for a progress report on installations.</p> <p>2251.2. North Somerset Local Plan 2018-2036 - Dundry Settlement Profile Cllrs and the Clerk had reviewed this document which covered only the area within the ‘settlement boundary’. Within these limited criteria the document appeared to be a fair representation of the village and it was agreed to send it back with some minor amendments to detail.</p> <p>2251.3. Hill Road Turning circle, anti-social behaviour. A parishioner had emailed Cllr A Scott about repeated anti-social behaviour in the Hill Road turning circle. Councillors agreed that many possible solutions had been tried and failed in the past but that one solution might be to re-open the road out to Oxleaze Lane and deter parking by doing away with the turning circle. Cllr Scott would investigate this possibility further with the farmer through whose land the road would pass.</p>	<p>Cllr Laux</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Scott</p>

<p>11/09/2017 - 2252 Parish Councils Airport Association. 2252.1. A letter had been received from the PCAA describing Bristol Airport's wish to expand further to 15 – 20 mppa by 2036. The letter outlined the PCAA's strategy to oppose further expansion and requested support from member parishes. While councillors were aware that might be some economic advantages to an expanded airport they were also aware that many parishioners, particularly those living under or near the flight path, would be against further expansion and agreed to support the PCAA strategy.</p> <p>2252.2. Bristol Airport Slot coordination Consultation Bristol Airport had applied to be designated a 'partially-coordinated' airport which meant that at certain times aircraft would be given slots for landing rather than a 'first come first serve' arrangement. The consultation was complicated and the PCAA had sought advice from various parties. The concern was that this arrangement would lead to more night flights but advice had been that a planning application would be needed for this. It was suggested that having 'slots' might increase the amount of aeroplanes circling waiting for their appointed slot. The Clerk would forward this comment to the chair of the PCAA</p> <p>2252.3. The future of UK aviation - a new Aviation strategy. – PCAA draft response was noted</p> <p>2252.4. Report of meeting between PCAA and NSC on the Bristol South West Economic Link The Chair and one of the vice chairs of the PCAA had met a representative of NSC to discuss the proposed Bristol South West Economic Link study. The Clerk had forwarded the minutes which were noted. The PCAA chair had been disappointed that all the emphasis for the study appeared to be on economic issues, with no reference to the environment or sustainability. She had requested a copy of the Terms of Reference.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>11/09/2017 - 2253 Correspondence Pill & E in G PC Re parking restriction consultation - noted ALCA West of England Strategy Discussion paper – survey – closes 27th September - noted</p>	

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 10.02 p.m.

Copies of the full minutes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Monday 11th September 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
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The next full meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on Monday 9th October 2017

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