

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 8th February at 7.30pm

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

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux

In Attendance: Cllrs David Hurford (part time), Nancy Jennings, Bee Peters, Maggie Keast, Simon Fiddian, Ralph Gay

District Councillor Hugh Gregor (part time)

Claire Dyke (NSC Parish Liaison officer) (part time)

PC Trevor Byford, PCSO Michele Barrett (part time)

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

08/02/2012 1106 - Apologies	ACTIONS
1106.1. Apologies had been received from Cllrs Thomas and McCarthy	
08/02/2012 1107 - Chair's Introduction	
1107.1. The Chairman welcomed all present	
08/02/2012 1108 - Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda	
1108.1. There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda but Cllr Jennings declared an interest in the pre-school (son attends) when it was discussed during the Public Forum.	
08/02/2012 1109 - Minutes of the Meeting of Dundry Parish Council – 04/01/2012	
1109.1. – The minutes of the meeting held on 4 th January 2012 were agreed to be a true record – proposed Cllr Keast, seconded Cllr Fiddian	
08/02/2012 1110 - Crime Report/Neighbourhood Watch	
1110.1. Crime report for preceding month – PC Byford reported that there had been one crime in the previous month involving possession of cannabis.	
1110.2. PC Byford reported that Bristol City Council had cut funding for Operation Biker which had targeted off-road motor bikes on the lower Dundry slopes. He was trying to find some other way of tackling this nuisance which affected both Dundry and Hartcliffe residents..	
1110.3. A mobile police station/beat surgery had visited Dundry the previous week. It would visit again in early March and be parked in the village car park. Cllr Peters said she would try to be there on behalf of Neighbourhood Watch.	
1110.4. Cllr Jennings thanked PC Byford and PCSO Barrett for attending the playground event in January with the bike ramp.	
1110.5. Neighbourhood Watch Report – Cllr Peters said she had nothing to report about NHW	
1110.6. Cllr Jennings said that there was a broken NHW sign which needed replacing but the post supporting it was in poor condition. She and Cllr Laux would inspect this and try to find an alternative location for the sign.	Cllrs Jennings & Laux
08/02/2012 1111 - Public Forum	
No parishioners were present for the Public Forum but councillors and the Clerk had been asked to raise the following points:	
1111.1. A parishioner had reported that they had recently had what could have been a very serious accident at the junction of Dundry Lane with the A38 and mentioned several other incidents which had occurred there. Cllr Fiddian confirmed that there was probably on average some sort of incident once a week at this junction and all agreed that it was a dangerous exit, particularly when turning right on to the A38, and could be frustratingly slow at peak times. Previous efforts to have the speed limit reduced had not been successful and promised safety improvements had not yet materialised.	
Cllr Laux and the Clerk reported that there would be even more traffic on the A38 once the South Bristol Link was completed in 2016. At the meeting they had attended on 13 th January (see item 1117.1) they had asked for attention to be paid to improving this exit as part of the project.	
Councillors requested that the police try to find out how many reported incidents there had	

<p>been at this location in the last few years, although they realised that not all accidents would have been reported to the police. They thought that a statement from the police would be helpful when trying to make a case for safety measures. <i>PC Byford and PCSO Barrett left, and Cllr Hurford joined, the meeting at this point</i></p> <p>1111.2. Cllr Jennings said that she had been asked whether the Parish Council would be prepared to help in some way (perhaps by making available the services of the village orderly) with making the Glebe land by the churchyard available for use by the community – in particular the school. Cllr Peters said that as a school governor she had already asked the Community Service Volunteers if they could help to clear the land. This might involve some financial outlay, mainly for the cost of insurance. Cllrs Peters, Laux and Jennings would take this further.</p> <p>1111.3. Cllr Laux reported that the pre-school were having problems accommodating the increased number of children attending, particularly at times when they did not have exclusive use of the hall which could make accessing the kitchen and toilets difficult. They were looking at various options, including asking for an extension to the hall to accommodate kitchen and toilet facilities or even leaving the village hall to go elsewhere. Councillors were generally of the opinion that the hall was ideal for the pre-school when they were able to use the main hall and that in the first instance they should discuss their problems with the hall committee to see if they could find some sort of satisfactory solution. They also felt that the children could be taken outside more, even in the winter, as happened at other pre-schools. They would therefore not support a request for an extension at present because they didn't think it was necessary. Cllr Laux to reply.</p> <p>1111.4. Cllr Fiddian reported that mud was being carried on to the A38, possibly from the Yanley landfill site. The Clerk would report this to the NSC area officer, copied to Long Ashton Parish Council.</p> <p>1111.5. Cllr Laux reported a large pothole just outside Downs Farm. Clerk to report to NSC</p> <p>1111.6. The Clerk noted that it was very easy to report problems such as potholes and fly tipping direct to NSC, particularly via the website, and that it might focus attention on these problems if parishioners were to do this as well as, or instead of, reporting them to the Parish Council.</p> <p>1111.7. Cllr Peters said how enjoyable the pantomime had been. Other Councillors who had seen it agreed.</p>	<p>PC Byford/ PCSO Barrett</p> <p>Cllrs Laux, Peters & Jennings</p> <p>Cllr Laux</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>08/02/2012 1112 - Report from District Councillor Hugh Gregor</p> <p>1112.1. Cllr Gregor reported that he had attended the following meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th January – full Council meeting focusing on demolition of Tropicana and siting of a second skateboard park in Portishead. • 12th January – Central Planning Committee • 13th January - meeting about South Bristol link • 17th January – full Council meeting – HG stressed importance of flooding issues at Long Ashton end of SBL • 22nd January – Dundry Winter Games event • 23rd January – Meeting of North Rural commissioning network • 24th January - Health working - group focusing on appointments system. • 25th January - Briefing on highway issues 	
<p>08/02/2012 1113 - North Rural Commissioning Network for Youth Activities</p> <p>1113.1. Cllr Jennings reported that there was new funding available for youth activities based on networks of parishes. Dundry was linked with Winford for this. Rob Warren, a North Somerset Play Ranger, was coordinating the scheme and two meetings had been held so far, but unfortunately nobody had been available to attend from Dundry. There was a parishioner keen to be involved but more ideas and volunteers were needed and Cllr Jennings proposed</p>	

<p>that the scheme should be advertised. The Clerk was asked to do this. 1113.2. Cllr Gregor said that the next meeting on February 13th would involve setting up a constitution and councillors agreed that Dundry should be included.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>																																										
<p>08/02/2012 1114 - Finance 1114.1. The Financial Report was approved – proposed Cllr Jennings, seconded Cllr Fiddian 1114.2. The Chairman signed the Clerk’s time sheet 1114.3. The purchase of an updated insert for the Clerk’s Manual (£32) was approved 1114.4. Payment of the following cheques was approved:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cheque</th> <th>Paid to</th> <th>For</th> <th>Payment</th> <th>Fund</th> <th>Category</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>100411</td> <td>N Jennings</td> <td>Postage</td> <td>5.45</td> <td>General</td> <td>Office Expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100412</td> <td>B Peters</td> <td>Engraved plaque</td> <td>16.99</td> <td>Chris Glover Fund</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>100413</td> <td>E.ON</td> <td>Street light</td> <td>10.31</td> <td>General</td> <td>E.ON</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100414</td> <td>NSC</td> <td>IT equipment</td> <td>100.00</td> <td>General</td> <td>Office Expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100415</td> <td>J Hoskin</td> <td>January wages</td> <td>350.00</td> <td>General</td> <td>Clerk’s salary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100416</td> <td>NSC</td> <td>May 2011 election</td> <td>122.04</td> <td>General</td> <td>Elections</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Cheque	Paid to	For	Payment	Fund	Category	100411	N Jennings	Postage	5.45	General	Office Expenses	100412	B Peters	Engraved plaque	16.99	Chris Glover Fund		100413	E.ON	Street light	10.31	General	E.ON	100414	NSC	IT equipment	100.00	General	Office Expenses	100415	J Hoskin	January wages	350.00	General	Clerk’s salary	100416	NSC	May 2011 election	122.04	General	Elections	
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<p>08/02/2012 1115 - Dundry Day 1115.1. Cllr Jennings reported that Dundry Day would be held on 13th May as a joint event between the Parish Council and the Playground Group. She would be coordinating this. She proposed to invite representatives of various village organisations to the next playground meeting on 27th February to discuss ideas. Councillors agreed that a certain amount of fund-raising by organisations would be acceptable and that the hall hire should be paid by the Parish Council. They thanked Councillor Jennings for taking responsibility for this.</p>	<p>Cllr Jennings</p>																																										
<p>08/02/2012 1116 - ‘Awards for All’ possible funding bid 1116.1. Following the consultation at the event on January 22nd Cllr Jennings had circulated a proposal that an application should be made for funding for the most popular item, the pendular see-saw, to be sited near the play tower. She would check whether it would be possible to include the monkey bars (part of the trim trail) within the budget. It was agreed that she should prepare the application and bring it to the next meeting. The Clerk noted that there would be some additional cost in insurance (approx. £150) for this item.</p>	<p>Cllr Jennings</p>																																										
<p>08/02/2012 1117 - Report on Meetings attended 1117.1. South Bristol Link briefing at NSC – 13th January – Cllr Laux, Clerk. Notes and other information about this had been circulated before the meeting. Cllr Laux noted that funding was approved and the project would go ahead, although many details of the route had yet to be finalised. Traffic would increase on the A38 where it passed through the parish and NSC had been asked to look at the implications for the junction with Dundry Lane. There would be a public consultation in March. 1117.2. Parish Councils Airport Association 24th January – Cllr Thomas. (Minutes had been circulated before the meeting) Cllr Thomas had asked the Clerk to draw councillors’ attention to the fact that the Airport still hopes to expand at some point beyond 10 million passengers per annum. He had also queried the apparently limited number of parishes (6, of which Dundry was not one) which could benefit from the new Airport Environmental fund which was a condition of the planning approval. £100,000 per annum was to be made available for projects to mitigate the effect of the airport on the local community. Cllr Gregor was on the committee and councillors asked him to find out whether Dundry could be included. It was also agreed to write to the administrator of the fund requesting that projects in Dundry be considered. 1117.3. Dundry Village Hall Committee – 19th January – Cllr Laux reported that the inside of the hall was being refurbished on 12th and 19th February – all were welcome to join in. There had also been discussion of the Diamond Jubilee – see next item <i>Cllr Gregor and Claire Dyke left the meeting at this point</i></p>	<p>Cllr Gregor Clerk</p>																																										

Parishioner CPRE	<i>need to comment</i> Christian Aid collection 13 th – 19 th May - <i>noted</i> Invitation to localism event 5 th March (evening) – <i>Cllr Thomas & Clerk to attend</i>	Cllr Thomas Clerk
Cllr Gregor VANS	Report on fly-tipping in Littleton Lane – <i>forwarded to NSC</i> Survey on volunteering - <i>noted</i>	
NSC NSC	North Rural Network Meeting 23rd Jan – <i>see item 1114</i> Invite to Neighbourhood Planning event 21 st Feb (morning) – <i>Clerk to attend</i>	Clerk
West of England Rural Network NSC	Heating oil bulk buying scheme – <i>information put on website</i> Consultation on Main Modifications to Core Strategy – <i>Noted that at present the airport's wish to extend car parking into Green Belt has been turned down by the Inspector</i>	
ALCA	ICO guidance on FOI and private email addresses - <i>noted</i>	
<p>1122.1. Comments/queries arising from complete correspondence list (circulated with agenda)</p> <p>1122.1.1. A letter of thanks for the memorial bench for Chris Glover had been received from Annie Glover. Cllr Peters reported that the bench would shortly be fixed by a group of parishioners.</p>		
<p>08/02/2012 1123 - Items to be noted for discussion at next meeting</p> <p>1123.1. <i>No new items were noted for discussion at the following meeting</i></p>		

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 10.34 pm.

Copies of the full minutes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th February 2012 can be found on the village noticeboards, on the parish website (www.dundry.org.uk) or obtained from the Clerk, Mrs Judith Hoskin – Tel: 0117 9642804, email: dundryclerk@tiscali.co.uk
Abridged versions are available in the Parish News and in the Chew Valley Gazette.

The next meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 7th March 2012

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by **Wednesday 29th February**. 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.