**Chair:** Cllr Holger Laux  
**In Attendance:** Councillors David Hurford, Richard Thomas, Steve McCarthy, Ralph Gay, Maggie Keast and Simon Fiddian  
**Also in attendance:** District Councillor Hugh Gregor, 2 parishioners  
**Clerk:** Judith Hoskin

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<td><strong>1774.1. Bristol Water had sent some minor comments on the minutes of the meeting held on 12th January These were:</strong></td>
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|            | • Item 1760.1.1 – ‘2034’ should read ‘2035’  
• Item 1760.1.3 - ‘provide sufficient water pressure’ should read ‘maintain acceptable hydraulic conditions in the network’  
• Item 1760.2.1 ‘Patrick’ should read ‘Patric’  
• Item 1760.3.1. ‘Beck’ should read ‘Back’ |                 |
|            | **1774.2. Item 1760.2.2 - Cllr Gay asked that the words ‘possibly including fruit trees’ should be inserted after ‘trees would be native species’** |                 |
|            | **1774.3. The minutes were amended and then agreed as a true record (proposed Cllr Hurford, seconded Cllr Keast)**         |                 |
|            | **1774.4. In addition to their comments Bristol Water had sent an email outlining what actions they had agreed to take. This was noted.** |                 |
| 09/02/2015 | **1775 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch**                                                                      | **Cllr Laux Clerk** |
|            | **1775.1. PCSO Ellie Hicks had sent apologies and said that she had not been able to prepare a crime report for the meeting. However, she had had various issues reported to her and it was intended to arrange a meeting between her, the Clerk and Cllr Laux in the near future.** |                 |
|            | **1775.2. The Clerk said she had nothing to report about Neighbourhood Watch**                                       |                 |
| 09/02/2015 | **1776 Public Forum**                                                                                                | **Clerk**       |
|            | **1776.1. Some parishioners had attended to protest at the erection of high and unsightly fencing around a field on the corner of Winford Lane and Castle Farm Lane and the proliferation of trucks and containers on this field. The Clerk said that North Somerset Council enforcement officers had been to visit the site and that she understood there would soon be a meeting with the owner. She was asked to write formally to North Somerset Council asking them to take enforcement action over this fence and investigate the apparent spread of the scrapyard beyond the boundaries set in 2004.** |                 |
|            | **1776.2. A complaint had been received about the possible spreading of the contents of a septic tank on a field near the village. Cllr Hurford said that this was not necessarily illegal. Clerk to find out more details.** |                 |
|            | **1776.3. Cllr McCarthy had some concerns about the amount of information about councillors currently on the website. The Clerk said that she had looked at the websites of other councils and the amount of information given varied widely. It was agreed that each councillor would review their entry and inform Cllr Laux if they wished to change anything.** | **All**         |
| 09/02/2015 | **1777 Report from District Councillor Hugh Gregor**                                                                 |                 |
|            | **1777.1. Cllr Gregor reported that he had attended the following meetings:**  
22nd January – Health Scrutiny panel - reports on health initiatives and surveys  
3rd February – Meeting of Executive and presentation of budget. The Director of Finance has figures in place as far as 2017. The funding gap for 2016 – 2018 has been reduced from £22m to £4.9m. NSC has accepted the Government’s ‘Freeze-Grant’ enabling them to keep council tax lower than other authorities. Some money is also being used from reserves. NSC has been successful in bids for grants from the Government’s Local Growth Fund for |                 |
transforming the interior of the Winter Gardens in Weston-super-Mare into a Law and Professional Services centre (£14.9m) and a Future Technology Centre in the same building (£2m).

4th February – Health Scrutiny Panel - presentation on Mental Health issues in North Somerset.

1777.2. Cllr Gregor also reported that Winford Parish Council had been discussing alternative bus services after withdrawal of the First Bus 121 service. A survey of demand for the bus service is being carried out and they have been in discussion with other companies with a view to possibly introducing services during the day – perhaps travelling through other parishes such as Chew Magna and Dundry. Councillors said they would be very interested in hearing more about this.

1777.3. Cllr Gregor said that a Community Response Project had been set up to try to deal with long-standing difficult issues in parishes. The leader was Mandy Bishop – 01275 882806. The group would become operational in mid-February but he did not know what its budget was.

09/02/2015 - 1778 Finance
1778.1. The Financial Report was approved (proposed Cllr Fiddian, seconded Cllr Gay)
1778.2. The Chair signed the Clerk’s time sheet
1778.3. Payment of the following Cheques was approved:

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09/02/2015 - 1779 High Speed Broadband – update and proposal for village survey – (brought forward from agenda item 11.0)
Cllr Laux outlined the current situation with bringing superfast broadband to the village. Dundry had been designated to be upgraded commercially by BT Openreach. This would mean upgrading cabinet 48 on Broad Oak Hill. It had been very difficult to find out when this might be but confirmation had recently been received that, because of the expense of bringing an electricity supply to this box, the upgrade was unlikely to happen for several years.
Some parishioners had been looking into alternatives (see minutes of December meeting). Cllr Laux said he now proposed putting a questionnaire online to assess the need for, and interest in, superfast broadband in the village. He proposed advertising this in the Parish News and by sending out flyers with the magazine. He also hoped to gather together a small working party to carry this initiative forward.
Councillors (and parishioners in attendance) were unanimously in support of this course of action. Cllr Laux would create the online survey and the Clerk would contact the Editor of the Parish News and the parishioner in charge of distributing it.

09/02/2015 - 1780 – Meetings attended
1780.1. Meeting with Bristol Water – 19th January 2015. Cllrs Laux, Thomas, Hurford, and Fiddian had met with representatives of Bristol Water and their contractors, Damar. The councillors had found the meeting helpful and had been reassured that Bristol Water had taken their comments on board. Work had started but the site offices and contractor’s compound were not yet set up. Cllr Hurford said that the site manager has indicated that he was happy to discuss any problems that might arise.
1780.2. Meeting with Area Officer – 21st January 2015. Cllr Laux said that he and the Clerk had had a useful meeting with the NSC area officer. The AO had explained that there had been a backlog of work because there had only been one road repair team available but that another team had now been added and they were beginning to catch up. The AO had agreed to inform the Clerk when an order had been replaced for repairs and it was intended to put a regular ‘pothole update’ on the village website. The AO had also talked to a representative of the contractor for the new house on Dundry Lane who had reassured him that the verge opposite the house would be reinstated.
1780.3. Parish Councils Airport Association – 27th January. The minutes had been circulated and were noted. Cllr Thomas said that parishes had been particularly concerned to hear that NSC were hoping to receive funds from the Local Community Fund towards the cost of enforcement action against illegal airport parking.
09/02/2015 - 1781 Streets and Open Spaces

1781.1. Broadoak Hill – the Clerk had circulated the NSC response to a letter from a parishioner. It was noted that the traffic lights were to be connected to mains electricity. Work on a design for stabilising the ground was ongoing.

1781.2. Details of verge cutting and road sweeping - A letter had been received from North Somerset Council outlining details of when verges had been cut and roads swept in 2014. It was agreed to keep a record of any activity of this kind seen in the village and to put in more requests for street cleaning. Cllr Laux would put a reminder of the NSC contact details on the website.

1781.3. Request for additional litter bins – Cllr Murphy had suggested that litter bins be placed at the junction of Crabtree Lane, West Dundry Lane and Church Road and at the junction of Downs Road with Crabtree Lane. It was agreed that he and Cllr Laux should inspect these sites to see if a suitable location could be found.

1781.4. Public footpaths. LA7/15 and LA7/41 – the Clerk had emailed NSC and was awaiting a reply.

1781.5. Speed limit A38 – response to Notice of Intent to extend 40 mph limit to Castle Farm It was not certain whether this was the review mentioned by Cllr Ap Rees in an answer to Cllr Fiddian but Councillors did not think this speed limit extended far enough. The Clerk would reply to the Notice requesting that the speed limit be extended at least as far as Dundry Lane.

1781.6. Vehicle Operated signs – Cllr Keast said that she had found a parishioner willing to change and recharge the batteries when the VOS was moved from Wells Road to Dundry Lane. The Clerk would contact the NSC officer dealing with this.

09/02/2015 - 1782 Brief Reports and updates

1782.1. Fingerposts – A parishioner had reported that, after many requests, NSC had agreed to repair and repaint all the fingerposts in the village. He had also asked them to replace the fingerpost which had almost certainly existed at the Broadoak Hill crossroads. Cllr Hurford said he thought that he might have an old photograph showing this fingerpost.

1782.2. Royal Garden Party - Cllr Laux reported that Dundry (along with Bleadon) had come first in the Avon Local Councils Association ballot to find representatives to go to a Royal Garden Party later in the year. He looked forward to representing Dundry and ALCA.

09/02/2015 - 1783 Annual Parish Meeting – preferred dates were Monday 27th April and Thursday 24th April. This would be an opportunity to report on progress with improving broadband. The Clerk would check availability of the hall.

09/02/2015 - 1784 Planning

1784.1. Applications Received

15/P/0061/F Little Orchard, Ham Lane, Dundry, BS41 8JA Demolition of existing single garage and conservatory. Alteration to existing front retaining walls to accommodate a drive way, off road parking and a double garage adjacent to the property with a garden room and decking over. Erection of two storey side, rear and front extensions and alterations/extension to the roof including the addition of front and rear dormers. Dundry Parish Council has no objections to the above application subject to North Somerset Council addressing the concerns of neighbours.

Councillors would also support the recommendation that proper provision should be made for accommodating surface water runoff.

15/P/0191/F Spring Barns, Spring Lane, Dundry, BS41 8NT Change of use from agricultural outbuilding to residential to provide a gym and bedroom attached to annexed accommodation - Not yet on NSC website. To be dealt with under Standing Order 3c.

1784.2. Applications Approved by NSC – (noted)

14/P/2684/F 10 Dundry Lane, Dundry, BS41 8JQ : Erection of a two storey rear/side annexe with ramp and paved parking area. Erection of a rear conservatory following the demolition of existing garage and conservatory

1784.3. Applications Refused by NSC – (noted)

14/P/2592/ CUPA Dutch Barn at Watercress Farm, Upton Lane, Dundry, BS41 8NS - Prior approval for change of use from agricultural building and land to a single dwelling within use class C3
plus associated operational development comprising erection of two storey structure within
dutch barn with corrugated cladding, doors and windows and replace corrugated roofing
sheets.
14/P/2678/F Alveare, Bridgwater Road, Dundry, BS41 8JP Carport attached to existing garage

1784.4. – Other Planning Matters
1784.4.1. NSC planning enforcement had been asked to investigate a new drive being created off
the road leading to the bottom of the Steps.
1784.4.2. Cllr Fiddian said that the Aztec1 garage had stopped selling cars and the new owners
were in discussion with NSC about a planning application for change of use.
1784.4.3. A response had been received to the Dundry PC letter of complaint about the way in
which the reservoir application had been handled. Councillors were very disappointed with the
response and felt that the planning officers had not consulted sufficiently or had any regard to the
local knowledge available. A reply had been drafted and commented on before the meeting. The
Clerk was asked to re-draft to include the comments. It was agreed not to send it to other parishes
at present. Cllr Gregor would also take this matter up with the planning department.

09/02/2015 - 1785 Clerk’s Reports
1785.1. The Clerk’s Report and Streets and Open Spaces Report for the previous month had
been circulated before the meeting and were noted.
1785.2. Cllr Fiddian said that the drains and gullies on the A38 near Dundry Lane had been jetted
and appeared to be working satisfactorily. The one that had been thought to run to a soakaway
appeared in fact to run to a drain the other side of the road.
1785.3. Bristol Water had still not responded to NSC about the ‘waterfall wall’. NSC were
considering doing the necessary work to drain the water and attempting to reclaim the money
from Bristol Water

09/02/2015 - 1786 Correspondence
NSC A new strategic plan for the West of England – scope and process document - noted
Winford PC Winford PC - Loss of 121 bus service – contact to express interest
Alun Meeting about SBL for parish councillors – 23\textsuperscript{rd} February – noted (Clerk might
Griffiths attend)
1786.1. Correspondence list -. Councillors had no further comments on the list of
correspondence.

09/02/2015 - 1787 Items to be noted for discussion at next meeting
1787.1. No items were noted for discussion at next meeting

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 10.25 pm.

Copies of the full minutes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Monday 9\textsuperscript{th} February 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 meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on
Monday 9\textsuperscript{th} March

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by
Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} March. 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.