

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 12th February 2014 at 7.30 pm

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

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux

In Attendance: Councillors Ralph Gay, Nancy Jennings, Richard Thomas, David Hurford, Maggie Keast, Gordon Murphy, Steve McCarthy, Simon Fiddian

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

Also in attendance: District Councillor Hugh Gregor

2 parishioners attended the meeting.

12/02/2014 - 1574 Apologies 1574.1. Apologies had been received from Cllr Jane Pellowe.	Actions
12/02/2014 - 1575 Chair's Introduction 1575.1. Cllr Laux welcomed all to the meeting.	
12/02/2014 - 1576 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda 1576.1. Cllr Jennings declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 1590.1 (Land to south of West Dundry Lane).	
12/02/2014 - 1577 Minutes 1577.1. Meeting 8 th January 2014, Item 1556.1 - Cllr Gay said that he had been involved in planting a community orchard rather than setting one up. With this amendment the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2014 were agreed as a true record (Proposed Cllr Thomas, seconded Cllr Fiddian) 1577.2. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 5 th February 2014 were circulated and read and agreed as a true record (proposed Cllr Gay, seconded Cllr Hurford)	
12/02/2014 - 1578 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch 1578.1. Crime Report: PC Rooke had reported as follows on crimes committed in the parish since the previous meeting: Recorded Crimes • 12th – Possession of cannabis, Hill Road. • 13th – Possession of cannabis, Hill Road. • 15th – Theft/damage of a padlock/fence, East Dundry Lane. • 22nd – Possession of cannabis, Hill Road • 27th – Possession of cannabis, Hill Road • 29th – Theft of fuel, Bridgwater Road petrol station. Calls to police • 1st –Abandoned 999 call. • 4th – Welfare check on elderly resident living on her own. • 10th – Dog running loose inside a car, causing a distraction for driver. Not traced. • 15th – Fly tipping, East Dundry Lane. • 22nd – Reports of suspicious vehicle in area. • 24th – Traffic lights stuck on red – Broad Oak Hill. • 31st – Reports of a suspicious vehicle in area. 1578.2. Neighbourhood Watch - No report had been received.	
12/02/2014 - 1579 Public Forum 1579.1. Two residents of Broadoak Hill had attended the meeting to express their concern at the slow progress of work at the point on the hill where a burst water main had washed away the foundations of the road and damaged the supporting bank. They said that the road surface was deteriorating where drivers sped away from the traffic lights and the resultant trench in the road surface and gravel on the road was dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians. They had contacted Bristol Water and been told that the matter was presently with loss adjusters to determine who would pay for the remedial work which was likely to cost a substantial amount. The Clerk said that the information she had received from North Somerset Council was similar and that no timescale had been mentioned. Cllr Gregor said that he would contact the NSC engineer in charge to see if he could find out more and stress the urgency of finding a solution.	Cllr Gregor

12/02/2014 - 1580 Report from District Councillor Hugh Gregor 1580.1. Cllr Gregor reported that he had attended the following meetings: • 10th Jan: Children and Young Persons Scrutiny Panel (Safeguarding children/Performance of NS schools) • 14th Jan – Full council (Major schemes update- Junction 21 on time and £1m below budget resulting in 'Pinch Point' funding from the Government for work on the Yanley Viaduct which would speed up this project) • 21st Jan – Presentation by new Chief Executive and other council officers on coping with further Government cuts. • 24th Jan – Tour of Dundry with new Chief Executive (see also Item 1588.3 below) • 28th Jan – Presentation by Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable (see also Item 1588.4 below)																			
12/02/2014 - 1581 Finance 1581.1. The Financial Report was approved (proposed Cllr Murphy, seconded Cllr Thomas) 1581.1.1. Cllr Laux noted that the village orderly budget appeared to be considerably underspent. Cllr Jennings would review this before the next meeting and report back 1581.2. The Chair signed the Clerk's time sheet 1581.3. Payment of the following Cheques was approved: <table><tr><td>100516</td><td>Aspli Safety Ltd</td><td>Litter Pickers</td><td>92.82</td><td>General</td><td>Asset maintenance</td></tr><tr><td>100517</td><td>J Hoskin</td><td>January Salary</td><td>375.00</td><td>General</td><td>Clerk's salary</td></tr><tr><td>100518</td><td>Jody's GS</td><td>Village orderly (Dec)</td><td>135.00</td><td>General</td><td>Village orderly (rest)</td></tr></table>	100516	Aspli Safety Ltd	Litter Pickers	92.82	General	Asset maintenance	100517	J Hoskin	January Salary	375.00	General	Clerk's salary	100518	Jody's GS	Village orderly (Dec)	135.00	General	Village orderly (rest)	Cllr Jennings
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12/02/2014 - 1582 – Defibrillators 1582.1. Cllrs Jennings and Keast had found and circulated more information about defibrillators. The consensus seemed to be that defibrillators were excellent tools but most likely to be used effectively in hospitals or where there were large numbers of people. The machines were only useful if located very near to the casualty as the heart needed to be re-started within 5 minutes or brain damage would occur. Councillors therefore agreed that a defibrillator was unlikely to be useful in a village as spread out as Dundry. As an alternative it might be preferable to provide CPR training in the village under the British Heart foundation 'Heartstart' programme. The Clerk was asked to make enquires and to find out if a representative could attend the APM to explain what was involved.	Clerk																		
12/02/2014 - 1583 – Website 1583.1. Cllr Laux said that he was keeping the website going and currently working on a page which could be easily updated with events. He had a meeting the following week with the NSC IT development team. The Clerk said that she had heard of one parish which had enlisted a student from Weston College to create a website for them.																			
12/02/2014 - 1584 – Village orchard. 1584.1. Councillor Gay said that he had contacted the parishioner who had suggested the idea of a village orchard. Councillors thought that the idea had potential but, apart from finding a suitable site they would need to establish whether there was any support in the parish. It was agreed to include this topic in the agenda for the APM.																			
12/02/2014 - 1585 Annual Parish Meeting (20th March) 1585.1. Councillors discussed the agenda for the APM. It was agreed that the normal 'business' part of the meeting should be kept as short as possible in order to leave time for discussion of Heartstart and a possible Village Orchard.																			
12/02/2014 - 1586 – Dundry Day 1586.1. It was agreed that Dundry Day should be held during June – possibly on 8 th . The Clerk would find out about availability of the village hall and the recreation ground. She would also contact the Sports and Social Club to discuss the possibility of their being the 'featured' village organisation.	Clerk																		
12/02/2014 - 1587 – Dundry School 1587.1. The school was in the process of preparing a business plan for the unlikely eventuality																			

that they might have to leave all or part of the school site in an emergency. They had asked whether in this case they would be able to use the playing field to erect temporary classrooms and toilet blocks. Councillors were supportive but could think of circumstances where 'temporary' use actually stretched over months or even years. This could affect use of the field by the Sports and Social Club and the village hall. It was agreed that Cllr Laux would raise this matter at the next meeting of the village hall committee. 1587.2. Friends of Dundry School had contacted the Clerk to say that they were planning to hold a fund raising 'marathon relay' event on the playing field on April 27th. Councillors had no objection to this.	Cllr Laux
12/02/2014 - 1588 – Meetings attended 1588.1. Parish Councils Airport Association – January 28th – The minutes of this meeting had been circulated. Cllr Thomas drew councillors' attention to the items on the airport's draft noise action plan, the local community fund, and government forecasts for passenger numbers and the new hanger which had been deemed to be permitted development despite its size. 1588.2. North Rural Network (Forward Activities) – 10th February – The Clerk said that the steering group had met on 10th February. They were proposing formalising the group shortly. There were no activities planned for the very near future but funds were still healthy. 1588.3. Tour of Parish with new Chief Executive NSC – Cllr Laux reported on his meeting with Mike Jackson, the new chief Executive of NSC, which had taken place after Cllr Gregor's guided tour (see item 1580.1 above) He said it had been a useful meeting where he had been able to discuss various aspects of the relationship between DPC and NSC. 1588.4. Joint Public Forum of the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Police 28/01/14 -Cllr Laux reported on this meeting with the PCC and chief constable. The meeting had covered policing numbers and finance, changing shift patterns, grants available and other aspects of policing. He noted three websites of interest: Police and Crime Commissioner http://www.avonandsomerset-pcc.gov.uk/Official-site.aspx Local crime rates can be reviewed at http://www.police.uk/avon-and-somerset/JN321/crime/ The Avon and Somerset Police Web site has been re-launched, see https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/	
12/02/2014 - 1589 Brief Reports/updates 1589.1. Cllrs Laux and Jennings reported that the results of the patient survey had been circulated. Cllr Jennings would review them for the next meeting.	Cllr Jennings
12/02/2014 - 1590 Planning 1590.1. Applications Received 14/P/0116/F Land to the south of, West Dundry Lane, Dundry, Bristol, BS13 7LN The conversion of a redundant equestrian building to provide a 2 bed holiday unit including the provision of access track and associated landscaping works - <i>Dundry Parish Council OBJECTS to this application. The building is in the Green Belt and was built relatively recently to provide stabling. The building is still in use and we understand that there is still a demand for stabling in the area. It therefore cannot be described as redundant. In addition there is no suitable infrastructure in the village for a holiday let – no shopping facilities and limited public transport.</i> 1590.2. Applications Approved by NSC - noted 13/P/2269/F Land adjacent to Downs Road, Dundry, Erection of telecommunications mast, associated equipment, engineering works and alterations to access from Crabtree Lane/Downs Road junction. 1590.3. Applications Refused by NSC – none (noted) 1590.4. Full Planning Application required – noted	

14/P/0019/PDA Land adjacent to Mount Pleasant Broadoak Hill Dundry agricultural building for the storage of machinery and fodder. 1590.5. Other Planning Issues 1590.5.1. Planning Enforcement. The Clerk had circulated the planning enforcement record which was noted. In particular there had been much discussion between the owner of the field on Broadoak Hill and the NSC Enforcement officer. While the owner was still in breach of planning regulations in several respects he was presently considering what measures he would take to remedy this. 1590.5.2. Cllr Fiddian reported that he had been informed by NSC that the owner of the Aztec 1 Service Station would shortly be given planning permission for short term (3 years) use as a car wash and valeting operation. Conditions included: • The caravan must be removed and there must be no overnight accommodation or car parking • Operating hours to be 9 – 6 daily									
12/02/2014 - 1591 Clerk's Reports 1591.1. The Clerk's Report for the previous month had been circulated before the meeting. The Clerk noted in particular: • Litter pickers and hi-visibility waistcoats for use by parishioners had been received and distributed • She had contacted NSC and Bristol Water's planning consultant about consultation over construction of the reservoir should it receive planning permission. She understood that representatives of Bristol water would be happy to meet councillors. • She had reported blocked gullies on Oxleaze lane to NSC • The NSC Area officer would be inspecting the road signs to see which ones were in need of cleaning. 1591.2. The Streets and open spaces report had also been circulated • The Clerk noted that the painted 'slow' signs had finally been reinstated on East Dundry Lane									
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12/02/2014 - 1593 Items to be noted for discussion at next meeting 1593.1. The village orderly budget was noted for discussion at the next meeting									

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 9.55 pm.

Copies of the full minutes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Wednesday 12th February 2014 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 meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 5th March, 2014

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by **Wednesday 26th 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.