

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 12th October 2015 at 7.30 pm

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux

In Attendance: Councillors David Hurford, Amanda Scott, Nancy Jennings, Maggie Keast, Steve McCarthy, Ralph Gay.

Also in attendance: District Councillor Nick Wilton, 1 parishioner

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

12/10/2015 - 1888 Apologies had been received from Cllr Simon Fiddian and PC Martin Faithfull.	Actions
12/10/2015 - 1889 Chair's welcome and introduction. 1889.1. Cllr Laux welcomed all present. He noted that as the September meeting had been inquorate this was the first official meeting since July.	
12/10/2015 - 1890 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda 1890.1. There were no declarations of interest.	
12/10/2015 - 1891 Minutes of Previous Meeting 1891.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 13 th of July, 2015 were agreed as a true record (proposed Cllr Gay seconded Cllr Hurford) The notes of the meeting held on 14 th of September were noted.	
12/10/2015 - 1892 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch 1892.1. No crime report had been received 1892.2. The Clerk said she had nothing to report about Neighbourhood Watch.	
12/10/2015 - 1893 Public Forum 1893.1. Councillor Hurford said that he had received a complaint about the obtrusiveness of the clothes bank in the village hall car park. He suggested that it should be moved to behind the noticeboard and offered to do this. Councillors agreed. 1893.2. Because of the closure of Broadoak Hill for repairs more traffic had been coming through the village. Some of this was travelling very fast. The Clerk said that she had asked the area officer to provide some 'slow' signs. 1893.3. The owner of the land next to Broadoak House on Broadoak Hill had complained because the contractors had blocked the entrance to his field. Councillors suggested that he take this up directly with the contractors. 1893.4. The Clerk said she had received a copy of an email from District Councillor Elfan Ap Rees to a parishioner who had complained about the lack of street sweeping and maintenance of pavements in the village. Councillor Ap Rees had said that North Somerset Council no longer had the resources to maintain the whole district and were instead concentrating on urban areas where they hoped to attract employers. The Clerk noted that this confirmed the suspicion of rural parishes that they were not receiving the services they would normally expect. The Clerk said she had nevertheless asked the area officer to arrange for the roads to be swept. 1893.5. Councillor Gay noted that the Bristol Water reservoir was nearing completion and would soon be ready for planting. The Clerk was asked to invite representatives from Bristol Water to the next meeting to present their proposals for enhancing the biodiversity of the site. .	Clerk Clerk
12/10/2015 - 1894 Report from District Councillor Nick Wilton 1894.1. Broadoak Hill - Councillor Wilton said that he had been very active in the matter of Broadoak Hill and the road was now undergoing repair. There had been various difficulties along the way but these had been resolved and Bristol Water had agreed to meet most of the cost. There was some discussion of the speed of diverted traffic through the village. Councillors thought that the problem might continue during construction of the South Bristol link but that reduction of the speed limit to 20 mph might help. Councillor Wilton	Cllr Wilton

said that the speed limit in Winford was to be reduced to 20 mph and he would ask how this had been arranged. 1894.2. Councillor Wilton said that he had been pushing for a comprehensive review of the A38 from Bristol to the airport. Councillor Laux said that at every consultation meeting about the South Bristol Link it had been pointed out how difficult it was to exit onto the A 38 from Dundry Lane and how much worse it would get when the Link was complete. Councillor Wilton hoped to get everyone together to discuss a joint solution. 1894.3. Councillor Wilton referred to the new Winford Community Bus service. This had been extended to Dundry but it had become apparent that it was not being used by Dundry residents. Councillors were of the opinion that it would be more used if it went down into Bishopsworth.	Cllr Wilton																								
12/10/2015 - 1895 Finance 1895.1. The Financial Report for October was approved (prop. Cllr Scott, sec. Cllr Gay) 1895.2. The Chair signed the Clerk's time sheet. 1895.3. Payment of the following cheques was approved: <table><tr><td>100584</td><td>J Hoskin</td><td>Sept salary</td><td>375.00</td><td>General</td><td>Clerk's Salary</td></tr><tr><td>D/D</td><td>*E.ON</td><td>Streetlight</td><td>12.27</td><td>General</td><td>Fixed bills and subs</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Jody's</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>100585</td><td>GS</td><td>Village orderly July - Oct</td><td>337.00</td><td>General</td><td>Asset Management</td></tr></table> *Cllr McCarthy undertook to check that the streetlight was still working	100584	J Hoskin	Sept salary	375.00	General	Clerk's Salary	D/D	*E.ON	Streetlight	12.27	General	Fixed bills and subs		Jody's					100585	GS	Village orderly July - Oct	337.00	General	Asset Management	Cllr McCarthy
100584	J Hoskin	Sept salary	375.00	General	Clerk's Salary																				
D/D	*E.ON	Streetlight	12.27	General	Fixed bills and subs																				
	Jody's																								
100585	GS	Village orderly July - Oct	337.00	General	Asset Management																				
12/10/2015 - 1896 Sports and Social Club/Playing field 1896.1. Playing Field Working Group – draft letter to Sports and Social Club The playing field working group had met in August to discuss ways of improving relations with the Sports and Social Club and whether the playing field was being used by too many clubs in a way that was detrimental to local residents. They had also reviewed the lease and licence agreements and highlighted areas where they felt that certain requirements had either been forgotten or were being deliberately ignored. A letter had been drafted and this had been circulated to councillors. After some discussion about what it was hoped to achieve the wording was agreed in principle with some minor amendments. The Clerk would include these and circulate the letter again before sending it. 1896.2. Registration of Playing Field with Land Registry – The Clerk reported that registration of the playing field with the Land Registry was progressing. The solicitor had sent an 'Overriding Interests' form for the council to fill in. The Clerk had replied listing several possible items for inclusion. Of these the solicitor had suggested that only the drainage to the village hall and the Bristol Water main were relevant. The Clerk was asked to check that this was correct.	Clerk Clerk																								
12/10/2015 - 1897 Streets and Open Spaces 1897.1. Grit bins – Cllr McCarthy had completed the annual grit bin survey. Apart from two bins which needed filling no repairs or replacements were required. No requests for new bins had been received so the Clerk was asked to ask North Somerset Council to fill the two bins. 1897.2. Request from NSC to Survey Footpath signs - maps had been received from North Somerset Council showing locations of missing footpath signs. These were distributed among councillors so that they or other parishioners could check the information as requested.	Clerk Various																								
12/10/2015 - 1898 Meetings Attended 1898.1. Meeting with PCSO Elle Hicks and Area Officer – 6th October – Cllr Laux and the Clerk had attended a meeting to discuss problems at the blind corner by no 107 Dundry Lane (the old shop). In recent months this building had been damaged by heavy																									

vehicles several times. The owner had put some stones at the corner of the building to try to prevent this but there had been complaints that the stones pushed traffic too far into the path of oncoming vehicles. After some discussion the area officer had said that he would discuss the problem with a highways engineer at North Somerset Council to see if a solution could be found. Meanwhile he had installed some temporary barriers to replace the stones. The Clerk was asked to find out when the previously proposed white lines would be painted on the road in this location. 1898.2. The Clerk had attended the Town and Parish Council Forum in Weston-super-Mare on 7th October. The main items of interest had been: • Future transport strategy – there would be a consultation soon. This would be linked to the Joint Spatial Plan to 2036 – based on the ‘Wider Bristol Housing Market Area’. • There had been a presentation on broadband in the district. Connecting Devon and Somerset had made progress in some areas but others, including Dundry, which was theoretically part of the commercial rollout, were not scheduled to receive broadband soon. The Chair of ALCA had suggested that ALCA take this up with NSC. Councillors said they would be happy to support an initiative taken by ALCA. • Winford Community Bus – uptake in Dundry had been low. The Clerk had suggested that an extension to Bishopsworth might improve passenger numbers. • Finance – there would be even less help from Government in the next few years. It was not clear what effect the recently announced changes to business rates would be. 60% of NSC’s budget is spent on adult and child social care.	Clerk Clerk
12/10/2015 - 1899 Planning 1899.1. Applications Received 15/P/2201/F Stone Barn on Land off West Dundry Lane, Dundry, BS41 8ND Retrospective application for repair works to barn comprising re-pointing and re-roofing. Change of use to overnight accommodation for cyclists and walkers. Erection of a cycle store and the installation of bio-disc drainage – <i>No objection</i> 1899.2. Prior approval Applications – Approved - noted 15/P/1934/CUPA Barn to rear of Valley View Farm, Highridge Road, Dundry, BS41 8JUPrior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling house (Class C3) plus associated operational development comprising the insertion of windows and doors to all elevations. Demolition of lean-to to the west elevation and north elevation wall to form a veranda 1899.3. Applications Refused by NSC (noted) 15/P/1940/F Alveare, Bridgwater Road, Dundry, BS41 8JP Erection of carport attached to existing garage.	Clerk
12/10/2015 - 1900 – Other planning Matters 1900.1. Planning Enforcement - The Clerk reported that she understood that enforcement action at Downs Farm had not significantly progressed because enforcement officers were overstretched. It was suggested that Councillor Wilton should be asked to take this up with the planning department.	Clerk
12/10/2015 - 1901 Clerk’s Reports 1901.1. The Clerk’s Report and Streets and Open Spaces Reports for the previous month had been circulated before the meeting. The Clerk noted in particular: • She had asked North Somerset Council to install the promised litter bins on the	

newly-refurbished finger posts at each end of Crabtree Lane • She was still trying to find out the procedure for co-opting new councillors • Crabtree Close was due for resurfacing shortly • She was attempting to revive the discussion with North Somerset Council about speed on Wells road and Dundry Lane and the dangerous junction of Downs Road and Crabtree Lane.	
12/10/2015 - 1902 Correspondence NSC Info on community response -<i>noted</i> NSC Invitation to Town and Parish forum – <i>Clerk attended</i> Sports and Social Club Fixtures Withywood FC - <i>noted</i> NSC Survey of sports and Leisure Facilities in NS – <i>Clerk to complete</i> Sports and Social Club Ashton United fixtures (2 teams) - <i>noted</i> Various PCs Traffic Calming measures Downside Road – any comments? – <i>traffic very slow here.</i> NSC NSC Draft Corporate Plan 2015-2020 – for comment - <i>noted</i> NSC WEEE Amnesty 26th October - <i>noted</i> Parishioner Various – <i>noted/action as appropriate</i> Dundry Playground Notice of AGM 19th October – <i>noted</i> Group NSC Invitation to Chairman's Civic Evening - Weston Carnival 13 November 2015 – <i>Chairman not available to attend</i> 1902.1. Correspondence list -. Councillors had no further comments on the list of correspondence.	
12/10/2015 - 1903 Items from the Public Forum to be noted for discussion at next meeting 1903.1. No items were noted for discussion at next meeting	

Copies of the full notes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Monday 12th October 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 9th November

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by **Monday 2nd November**. 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.