

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 16th December, 2015 at 7.30 pm

Chair: Cllr Holger Laux

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

Also in attendance: 1 parishioner

Clerk: Judith Hoskin

16/12/2015 - 1919 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Nancy Jennings and Simon Fiddian, District Councillor Nick Wilton and PC Martin Faithful	Actions
16/12/2015 - 1920 Cllr Laux welcomed all present.	
16/12/2015 - 1921 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda 1921.1. There were no declarations of interest.	
16/12/2015 - 1922 Minutes of Previous Meeting - The minutes of the meeting held on 9 th November 2015 were agreed as a true record (proposed Cllr Keast seconded Cllr Gay)	
16/12/2015 - 1923 Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch 1923.1. PC Faithful had reported that in November there had been one non-dwelling burglary and one drug offence in Dundry. He also reported that there has been an increase in suspicious activity around building sites. In Wraxall and Failand there has been a vehicle theft and damage caused to a parish-owned phone box and he asked residents to remain vigilant. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and reminded everyone to be careful not to advertise expensive gifts to opportunist criminals when putting boxes out for recycling. The Redwood Beat team have set up a Beat Surgery (held on Thursdays) at Long Ashton Library. Times and dates can be obtained from the library. Members of the public can also visit www.police.uk if they wish to review any crime figures for a certain postcode or area. This site is also helpful for crime prevention advice and local issues. 1923.2. The Clerk said she had nothing to report about Neighbourhood Watch.	
16/12/2015 - 1924 Public Forum 1924.1. There had been numerous complaints about potholes on Highridge Road. The Clerk said that she had reported these twice – the second time she had been told that the Area Officer would go to assess the problem within 24 hours. Councillors noted that there were also potholes on Winford Lane and Downs Road. They thought it possible that these had been caused by the increase in traffic during the closure of Broadoak Hill and the building of the Bristol Water Reservoir. 1924.2. Cllr Hurford reported that the Chairman of the village hall committee had agreed to the relocation of the clothes recycling bin to behind the noticeboard. 1924.3. The parishioner present said that he had done a substantial amount of clearing down the edges of Broadoak Hill while the road had been closed. He asked the Parish Council to urge NSC to maintain the gutters better in future. Councillors thanked him for his work.	Clerk Clerk
16/12/2015 - 1925 Report from District Councillor Nick Wilton 1925.1. Cllr Wilton had sent his apologies so there was no report.	

16/12/2015 - 1926 Finance 1926.1. The Financial Report for October was approved (prop. Cllr Keast, sec. Cllr Scott) 1926.2. The Chair signed the Clerk's time sheet. 1926.3. Payment of the following cheques was approved: <table><tr><td>100587</td><td>N Somerset Council*</td><td>Playground Insp</td><td>12.00</td><td>Playground insp.</td></tr><tr><td>100588</td><td>Philip Britton*</td><td>Re-treat bench</td><td>50.00</td><td>Chris Glover Fund</td></tr><tr><td>100589</td><td>Holger Laux</td><td>Website Hosting</td><td>142.56</td><td>Community - website</td></tr><tr><td>100590</td><td>Judith Hoskin (389.04)</td><td>November Salary</td><td>375.00</td><td>Clerk's Salary</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>Stamps</td><td>14.04</td><td>Office Expenses</td></tr><tr><td>100591</td><td>St Michael's PCC</td><td>P News and floodlight</td><td>250.00</td><td>Fixed bills and subs</td></tr><tr><td>100592</td><td>Jody's Garden Services</td><td>Village ord. Oct/Nov</td><td>339.00</td><td>Village orderly</td></tr><tr><td>100593</td><td>Children's P'Ground Co</td><td>Replace toddler seat</td><td>206.88</td><td>Playground</td></tr></table> * signed at finance WG meeting 30/11/2015 1926.4. The finance working group had met on 30th November and discussed: 1926.4.1. Possible revision to Finance Regulations to allow for internet banking - The Clerk explained that since the repeal of S150 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 it was now possible for parish councils to use internet banking instead of payment by cheque with two signatures. NALC had prepared new model financial regulations which included additional safeguards to protect against fraud. The finance working group had considered making the change to internet banking and concluded that there would be little benefit to DPC. Councillors were in agreement and it was therefore resolved that no change was required to the Financial Regulations. Councillor Laux asked whether the Financial Regulations allowed for payment for the Domain Name and Hosting of the website by Direct Debit. The Clerk would check. 1926.4.2. Proposed budget 2016 – 2017 A projection of spending to the end of the year had been prepared by the Clerk. The projected carry forward was approximately £6,500 which was very near the actual carry forward from the previous year. The Finance Group recommended leaving the Precept (including the Council Tax Support Grant which it appeared would be passed on to parishes) at £9000. This was agreed in principle but would be finalised at the next meeting.	100587	N Somerset Council*	Playground Insp	12.00	Playground insp.	100588	Philip Britton*	Re-treat bench	50.00	Chris Glover Fund	100589	Holger Laux	Website Hosting	142.56	Community - website	100590	Judith Hoskin (389.04)	November Salary	375.00	Clerk's Salary			Stamps	14.04	Office Expenses	100591	St Michael's PCC	P News and floodlight	250.00	Fixed bills and subs	100592	Jody's Garden Services	Village ord. Oct/Nov	339.00	Village orderly	100593	Children's P'Ground Co	Replace toddler seat	206.88	Playground	Clerk
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16/12/2015 - 1927 Sports and Social Club/Playing field 1927.1. Letter to Sports and Social Club – The Clerk reported that no reply had yet been received from the Sports and Social Club to the letter sent on 26th October despite a request for a response within four weeks. The Clerk was instructed to enquire whether the Sports and Social Club intended to reply, stating that she would like to be able to report their response to the next PC meeting. Should a reply still not be forthcoming a stronger and more formal letter would be sent after the next meeting. 1927.2. Registration of Playing Field with Land Registry – The Clerk reported that she was still awaiting information from the Chair of the Village Hall Committee about services from the hall which crossed Parish Council land. It should then be possible to sign the 'overriding interests' form and the information could be sent to the Land Registry.	Clerk																																								
16/12/2015 - 1928 Streets and Open Spaces 1928.1. Broadoak Hill 1928.1.1. The road had opened on 19th November – several days sooner than scheduled. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to everyone who had pushed for this work finally to be carried out and overseen its construction, especially Dave Murphy, the engineer in charge and District Councillor Nick Wilton. 1928.1.2. Unfortunately a serious accident had occurred shortly after the road had been																																									

to sweep the floor and make sure the heating and lights were off and the windows shut. • The emergency entrance to the playing field (by the playground) was shortly to be cross-hatched to stop cars parking there. • The boundary wall with 1 Crabtree Close had collapsed again and discussions about its repair were ongoing. Cllr Laux had been asked if he knew any sources of funding to help with the cost but Councillors had no suggestions.	
16/12/2015 - 1931 Consultations 1931.1. North Somerset Core Strategy consultation on changes to remitted policies 1931.2. Changes to some policies in the Core Strategy were necessitated by the increase in numbers of dwellings required be built in North Somerset. The policies under consultation which were relevant to Dundry were CS6 (Green Belt), CS14 (Specifically the paragraph on Settlement Boundaries), CS19 (Strategic Gaps) and CS33 (Infill villages). None of these policies (which DPC had supported in the original Core Strategy) had changed and the Clerk was asked to respond to the consultation supporting these unchanged policies.. 1931.3. W of E Joint Spatial Plan and Joint Transport Study – following on the Core Strategy Consultation are consultations on plans for the ‘West of England’ (Bristol, BANES, NSC, South Glos) to 2036 and a Joint Transport Study for the same area. The consultations close on 29th January and can be found on https://www.jointplanningwofe.org.uk/consult.ti . It was agreed that Cllr Gay and Cllr Fiddian (if he agreed) would coordinate a draft response to be discussed at the next meeting. All councillors would look at the consultation and forward their comments to Cllr Gay.	Clerk All
16/12/2015 - 1932 Items carried over from previous meeting 1932.1. Aircraft Noise – no further complaints had been received about increased aircraft noise. Cllr Scott said that weather conditions could contribute to the perception of increased noise from aircraft. It was suggested that parishioners should direct any further complaints to the airport by visiting http://www.bristolairport.co.uk/about-us/environment/noise-management or telephoning 01275 473799. 1932.2. Speed of Traffic in Parish – Although complaints had been received about traffic speed in specific locations councillors were not sure whether it was an issue for the whole parish. it was agreed to put the subject of traffic in the parish on the Agenda for the APM.	Clerk
<i>Cllr McCarthy left the meeting at this point</i>	
16/12/2015 - 1933 Planning 1933.1. Applications Received 15/P/2674/CUPA Barn to rear of Valley View Farm, Highridge Road, Dundry, BS41 8JU. Prior 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 northern half of building. Re-roofing of building, timber cladding/ render finish to building – <i>no comment</i> 1933.2. Applications Approved by NSC - (noted) 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	Clerk

15/P/2366/MMA	4 Broad Oak Cottages, Wells Road, Dundry, BS41 8NE - Minor material amendment application to planning permission 12/P/1453/F (erection of two storey rear and side extension at first floor level over existing kitchen) to allow repositioning of extension to west elevation and minor alterations in appearance	
1933.3. Applications Refused by NSC –(noted)		
15/P/2298/F	Severn View, Downs Road, Dundry, BS41 8LR - Erection of a two storey rear extension	
1933.4. Appeal (noted)		
APP/D0121/W/ 15/3136859 - Dutch Barn, Watercress Farm, Upton Lane, 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 of works to convert dutch barn into a dwelling with corrugated cladding, doors and windows and replace corrugated roofing sheets		
16/12/2015 - 1934 – Planning Enforcement		
1934.1. A list of enforcement cases had been received from NSC. The Clerk noted in particular: • Land at the end of Oxleaze Lane – the Inquiry relating to Appeal APP/D0121/C/15/3006506 was to be re-adjourned to January 2016.as discussions were taking pace with the landowner. • The unauthorised static caravan being used as a dwelling at Alveare was on the list but yet to be assessed.		
16/12/2015 - 1935 Clerk’s Reports		
1935.1. The Clerk’s Report and Streets and Open Spaces Reports for the previous month had been circulated before the meeting. Some items had been discussed at the meeting, the rest were noted.		
16/12/2015 - 1936 Correspondence		
Parishioners	Concern about suggested housing sites in Dundry - <i>noted</i>	
NSC	Cancellation of works by Bristol Water in Dundry Lane, Dundry – <i>noted – will be rescheduled for next year</i>	
NSC	Precept Notification Letter and Electronic Form 2016/17 - <i>noted</i>	
1936.1. Correspondence list -. Councillors had no further comments on the list of correspondence.		
16/12/2015 - 1937 Items from the Public Forum to be noted for discussion at next meeting - None		

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.40 p.m.

Copies of the full notes of the meeting of Dundry Parish Council held on Wednesday 16th December 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

Because of the timing of this month’s deadlines abridged versions will not be available in the Parish News or the Chew Valley Gazette.

The next meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on Monday 11th January 2016

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda please notify a councillor or the Clerk by **Monday 4th January**. 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.