

Dundry Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th December 2024 at 5pm

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

In Attendance: Councillors Holger Laux (chair), Tim Waite, Dave Hurford, Andy Pearce, Steve McCarthy, Jane Fowles, Jake Hewins, Cllr A.Waite (NSC),

Clerk: Robin Moss

Apologies –Cllr Scott	Action & Decisions
<u>Chair's welcome and introduction</u> Cllr Laux welcomed all to this online meeting. It is an earlier start, as the village carol service is taking place later this evening.	
<u>Cooption of Councillor</u> Jake Hewins has attended the last couple of PC meetings & expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. It was unanimously agreed that he be coopted.	
<u>Declarations of interest:</u> None	
<u>Minutes of 11th November 2024 PC Meeting</u> Proposed Cllr Hurford, 2 nd Cllr Fowles Agreed	
<u>Crime Report and Neighbourhood Watch</u> # Invitations have been sent to the Police & Crime Commissioner, as well as the local beat team, to ask them to attend a PC meeting	Clerk
<u>Public Forum</u> # The link to the new bus time table, on the website, doesn't appear to work. Cllr Laux to follow up. # A tree has fallen down on the Steps, across private land. It isn't clear who has responsibility to remove, or who can remove. # The complaints about the potholes continue & residents should be encouraged to continue to report to 'Fix My Street' so there is a clear reporting line. Cllr A.Waite has asked that NSC officers be clear with residents about what can & cannot be done. Financial pressures limit what is possible, and promises should be clear & transparent.	
<u>Councillors items</u> # The agreement to pay for CCTV cameras, which will be administered by NSC, was agreed some time ago, but there has not been any response from NSC. Clerk to follow up. # There was a discussion about the potential closure of the pub & the loss of a community asset. In addition the telephone box is unused at the moment, there could be a community use.	Clerk
<u>District Councillor Report:</u> Cllr A.Waite reported on a number of issues, but mainly the budget for 2025-26: # The financial position is very difficult, NSC are very short of money. Social Care costs are out of control. There is a shortfall of £8M currently, with a £23M shortfall over the medium term.	
<u>Playground</u> # There has been a number of inspections with repairs that need undertaking. Clerk to follow up.	Clerk
<u>Village Hall</u> # The minor works have been completed. # The current chair of trustees is due to change the details of trustees, to show the Parish Council as corporate trustee. Clerk to follow up & remind.	Clerk
<u>Finance</u> Monthly report sheets will be available at http://www.dundry.org.uk/parish_council_documents.php (a) The financial report for December 2024 was agreed - (Proposed Cllr xxx 2 nd Cllr xxx) (b) There was a discussion about the budget for 2025-26. NSC has requested that Parish & Town	

Councils take on additional responsibilities. While the details for Dundry PC are not totally clear, it will probably mean a precept rise of approx. 25-30%. Clerk has been asked to prepare budget options at 30%, 35% & 40%.				Clerk	
(c) Payment of the following cheques was approved:					
100894	R.Moss	Nov salary & office expenses	£507.65		
100895	NPower	Electricity	£41.21		
Meetings Attended					
Cllr Laux reported on a briefing provided by NSC, outlining their very difficult financial situation. This will be reflected in budget & parish precept discussions that will set the 2025-26 budget.					
Planning:					
Planning Applications received:					
24/P/2556/CQA	Barns Willow Farm Dundry Lane BS41 8JQ	Prior Approval for a proposed change of use of 2no. agricultural buildings to 2no. dwellinghouses			
Comments were made about the amount of parking, also about the details on rerouting any public rights of way & the opportunity to enhance those rights of way.					
It was noted that Bristol Airport are looking to expand their operation. There were over 10M passengers last year, with an anticipated 12M by 2027 & 15M by 2030. There is the option to comment by the end of January, with the need to specifically state the impact on Dundry. There appears to be no plans for integrated transport or tackling unregulated parking. It was also noted that the airport is for sale. Cllr Laux to prepare a response.					
Planning applications that have been registered &/or determined were noted:					
DPC meeting				DPC comment	NSC decision
October 2024	24/P/1673/FUL	Junction Of Broadoak Hill And Oxleaze Lane Dundry	Change from agricultural to dog exercise field	No comment	Registered
September 2024	23/P/2185/FU2	EPIC - Long Ashton	Re-consultation construction of new office campus	Object	Registered
Reports					
Clerks reported that there are currently 2 bids for the village orderly work, with a 3 rd anticipated.					Clerk
Any other business					
There was no further business, the meeting closed at 20.29pm. The next meeting will be on 13 th January 2025 & will be online.					
Correspondence received from:					
a. Weekly newsletters from the Police & Crime Commissioners Office					
b. Newsletters from CPRE – circulated					
c. Newsletters from VANS - circulated					

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The next full meeting of Dundry Parish Council will be held on 13th January 2025.

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda, please notify a councillor or the Clerk by Friday 3rd January 2025. You can also raise matters in the Public Forum but, depending on subject matter, full discussion may have to be left to the following meeting.