

DUNKESWELL PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes for a meeting of Dunkeswell Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 18th June 2016, 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllrs John Barrow (Chairman), Brendan Procter (Vice Chairman), Tina Page, Andrew Luscombe, Philip Stevens, Andrew Maynard, Tim Clewer, District Councillor Colin Brown, PCSO Anning 30012 and no members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs Kerry Webber, County Councillor Paul Diviani, PC Vickery 4783.

All councillors were politely reminded of their obligation to declare interests under the Code of Conduct. In making decisions the Parish Council recognise their statutory duties provided for in Section 11A(2) of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 (National Parks) and Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (AONBs) that in exercising or performing any functions in relation to, or so as to affect, land, they shall have regard to their purposes (ie conserve and enhance their natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage and to promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of their special qualities by the public).

1.1 Receive apologies for absence. AS ABOVE

1.2 **Minutes** of the previous meeting held in the Village Hall on **Monday 20th June 2016** were signed as a correct record of that meeting. **AGREED**

1.3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & RISK ASSESSMENT:** To receive declarations of interest and to note any additional risks. **SEE 6.2**

2 PLANNING

(http://planning.eastdevon.gov.uk/PublicAccess/tdc/DcApplication/application_searchform.aspx)

2.1 **Decisions** (for information)

2.1.1 **16/1188/PDO Land Adjacent 3F Marcus Road** PDO Prior approval granted for proposed change of use of office (B1a) to residential (C3)

2.2 Applications

2.2.1 **16/1420/FUL 25 Catalina Close** - Alterations to roof height and creation of gables to form first floor accommodation. COMMENTS: no objections

2.2.2 **16/1546/FUL Slade Farm** - Construction of single storey rear extension, re-rendering and tiling of existing roof. COMMENTS: no objections

2.2.3 **16/1569/FUL Stentwood Farm** - Construction of a firewood storage shed - The parish council have no objections in principle and actively encourage the use of alternative energy production. However, buildings must fit within the context of the landscape and be suitably designed. The Parish Council question the height of the proposed store, which seems excessive to need and would like to see the building constructed in materials sympathetic to the structure of the surrounding buildings. Given the nature of the occupying business as a tea rooms it was felt that the application should be accompanied by a structural engineer's report showing that the building is specifically designed to retain the weight of this mass of timber safely. It is also requested that a condition of any consent be the permanent removal of the scrap and lorry bodies that have accumulated on the site

2.3 **BT/Openreach** intends to erect a 9m. wooden pole with 1.7m below ground and 7.3m above ground in Blackdown Hills AONB area. Under the UK wide Electronic Communications Code and revised legislation of 27th June 2013 BT is required to give 28 days prior notice. The legislation is the Town and country planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment)(England)Order 2013. The pole is for fixed line, always on broadband service. Part 24 class A

2.4 APPEALS

2.4.1 **APP/U1105/W/16/3146859 Marylea Dunkeswell** - Construction of agricultural workers dwelling (outline application with all matters reserved). Appeal dismissed.

2.5 **EDDC Training session** - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) which will be introduced from the 1 September 2016. The levy is a charge on development that will help to fund infrastructure such as open space, sports pitches, school places etc that are needed to support new developments. It will fund infrastructure that is to be delivered away from the development site itself and will work alongside Section 106 agreements which will now primarily be used to secure infrastructure on the development site itself. Town and Parish Councils will also receive a proportion of CIL for spend on infrastructure. In order to prepare Members and the Town and Parish Councils across the district EDDC are running a series of training sessions to aid understanding of the levy and how it will be collected and spent in the district. Please select from the following sessions:
27 July in the Council Chamber, Knowle, Sidmouth - 2.30 – 4.00pm or
28 July in the Council Chamber, Knowle, Sidmouth - 7.00 – 8.30pm - JB, TP & TB to attend

2.6 TREE APPLICATIONS (for decision)

- 2.6.1 16/0445/TCA Jacaranda** - T1, Oak: Remove lowest limb on southern aspect and crown clean.
T2, Sycamore: Remove lowest limb overhanging the garden of the Old Royal Oak.
- 2.6.2 16/1151/TRE Jacaranda** - T1, Oak: Reduce lowest lateral limb over bank, by removing the secondary branch over the garden and crown clean the remaining canopy. T2, Sycamore: Lift crown over the garden of The Old Royal Oak removing a group of 5 lower lateral branches back to the main stem making cuts of approx. 75mm diameter. DECISION: APPROVED.
- 2.7 Neighbourhood Plan** – Plan is now being checked and reworded where necessary to ensure it conforms to the Local Plan following the Inspectors recommendations, next Steering Group Meeting will be Monday 8th August 2016 at the Village Hall 7.30pm all are welcome; this will be to agree final wording on policies where the consultants have needed to make changes.

3 HIGHWAYS

- 3.1 Lengthsman/Highways Issues to report** – Cllr Diviani is generously supporting our road resurfacing from his budget, more information to follow.
- 3.2 Parish Highways work** – update layby on Abbey Road

4 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

- 4.1 Report from Cllr Barrow** – Update on Burnsome Lane and Bridleway 12 – these have now been tested by riders on horses and the parish council have been thanked for their part in the renovation and reopening of these paths. The Parish Council would like to thank the landowners who have been so generous in allowing new routes to be created in order for the paths to be safely reopened, we would also like to thank the neighbouring house and land owners who have been so tolerant while the major works have been completed. We know that riders and walkers will enjoy these paths greatly, and ask that you remember that this has only been made possible by the generosity of the landowners, so please respect the country code, close gates and keep dogs on leads, be careful of livestock and polite to all you meet, they could be the ones who made it possible for you to enjoy this reopened route.
- 4.2 DCC** - Confirmation of Bridleway 12 and Footpath 13 & 22, public diversion order and extinguishment and definitive map and statement modification orders 2015.

5 ENVIRONMENT

- 5.1 Emergency planning & winter issues** – receive any new items for consideration

6 COMMUNITY

- 6.1 Community policing report** – PC Vickery/PCSO Anning – Four crimes since last meeting – TV taken from shed and later returned, drink driving offence Highfield Road, road rage and damage to vehicle, theft from a building site.
- 6.2 Playgrounds/Sports field – Request from parishioner** - could someone safety check the baby swing in the play area. The rubber covering the holding bolts have degraded and the bolts seem to be substantially rusted now and very sharp. Also two wooden rails from zip wire take off area now missing, equipment to be inspected carefully this week, and parish council to look at replacement equipment and funding.
- 6.3 Allotments** – no report
- 6.4 Halls** – BT require a further £921.15 in connection charges (in addition to the standard connection fee) to cover erecting a new pole which will serve the hall. For decision.
- 6.5 Gigaclear meeting** - Uptontery is the first community area that we will be focusing on and trying to make sure we reach the threshold required. We are hosting a community event on the 16th July at Uptontery Village hall from 9.30am-12.00. All our events can be found at: <http://www.gigaclear.com/our-communities/events/>
- 6.6 AGM of the Blackdowns Hills Parish Network Wednesday June 22nd 2016** – JB attended nothing to report
- 6.7 Dunkeswell Abbey** – letter from Diocese of Exeter with draft proposals to close the Church of Dunkeswell Holy Trinity as a place of regular worship and transfer it to the Dunkeswell Abbey Preservation Fund (who already own the ruins) as a monument and for cultural and community purposes and ancillary purposes. Views may be sent to the Diocese by 30th August 2016 – DAPF will be invited to attend the next meeting in order that their view can be heard and help inform our response.

7 FINANCE

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| 7.1 Grants – | Dunkeswell Youth Club | £100.00 |
| 7.2 Receipts - | Allotments Association (2013-6) | £3.00 |
| | EDDC Queens Birthday Awards prize | £100.00 |
| | Credit BT | £90.00 |
| 7.3 Cheque payments – | Cut and Strim (grass cutting) | £132.00 |
| | Clerk Remuneration July | £671.58 |
| | Clerk expenses July | £70.61 |
| | Wiltshire Flowers | £43.00 |

HDMI cable	£9.99
T Bell work for Neighbourhood Plan Committee 2015-16	£1020.00
South and West Internal Audit	£200.00
BT contract broadband	£30 (DD) in error (June)
1&1 website hosting	£74.84 & £9.58 (DD) (June)
Cheques to other parishes – Parishes Together Fund	
Sheldon Parish Council	£370.48
Offwell Parish Council	£610.28
Broadclyst Parish council	£489.87
Whimple Parish Council	£1,004.03
Politmore Parish Council	£424.37
Clyst Hydon Parish Council	£496.50
Rockbeare Parish Council	£305.00
(Cheques AGREED)	

Account balances – Parish Account at 1/7/16 - £41,754.77 includes the following:

P3 balance of funds £341.00 (opening bal 2016 +£341 March 2016 grant £00 less -£178 -£138)

P3 balance of Burnsome lane funds £2252.50 (opening bal April 2015 grant £3,000 -£747.50 - £734 not including VAT paid of £149.50 + 146.80 as this will be reclaimed)

7.4 **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC** (The meeting to be closed before questions from the public). None

Email, web and social media enquiries have been responded to and councillors copied in, councillors are asked to consider if further action or correspondence is necessary.

Dates for next meetings 2016 –

8th August 2016	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm	Dunkeswell Village Hall
15th August 2016	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm	Dunkeswell Village Hall