

DUNKESWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for a meeting of Dunkeswell Parish Council held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm, **Monday 16th August 2010**.

Present: Cllrs Mr G Sworder (Chairman), Mr J Barrow (Vice Chairman), Mssrs M Stevens, C Sumpter, B Procter, County Councillor Mr Paul Diviani, District Councillor Mr Bob Buxton, PC Vickery 4783 and no members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs Mr A Luscombe, Mrs B Russell and Mrs V Keitch, PCSO Anning 30012

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 **Minutes** of the previous meeting held in the Village Hall on **Monday 19th July 2010** were signed as a correct record of that meeting. AGREED

2 **PLANNING**

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

2.1 **Decisions** (for information)

2.1.1 none

2.2 **Applications** (for comment – support or objection)

2.2.1 10/1471/FUL The Old Kennels, Stentwood – construction of lean-to roof adjoining existing retaining wall to form wood shed. **COMMENTS:** no objections

2.2.2 Old Highwood Farm – agricultural building applied for under the Town and Country Planning Act (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 part 6. Comments on siting and appearance may be made within 14 days. **COMMENTS:** no objections

2.3 **Parish Plan** – no update this month

2.4 **Conservation Area** – Stephen Guy has been in contact, on the basis that he has only had objections to the proposed designation from those within the employment land boundary, he has proposed a consultation on two separate conservation areas, the old village and the airfield (excluding the employment land boundary). There would be a questionnaire sent to every household in the parish to consult on this. It was agreed to wait for the results of the Parish Plan questionnaire before responding to the District Council. For information.

3 **HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC**

3.1 To receive issues to report – Limers Cross to Wolford Cross road subsidence has been reported again as a cyclist has made safety issue complaints. Badger mound on the road by Wolford Cross – clerk to enquire as to what Highways are going to do about it as the soil on the road is a potential hazard to traffic.

3.2 Traffic counter information has been received, southbound traffic is significantly faster and 60% are exceeding the 30mph limit leaving (40% on the way in), 73 people were doing more than 50mph in a two week period. The chairman will write to County highways about how to deal with this very unsatisfactory situation.

4 **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

No report this time

5 **ENVIRONMENT**

No issues to report

6 **COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

6.1 Community policing report – PC Vickery/PCSO Anning – there has been one theft of a quad bike left insecure on a farm drive, one criminal damage at Abbey where extensive damage was caused inside a house and one burglary 'other' at a business on Culme Way where a laptop was stolen, but with no signs of a forced entry.

- 2 Minutes for meeting of Dunkeswell Parish Council 16/8/10
- 6.2 Playgrounds/Sports field/ Allotments – dead trees are to be replaced by the installers.
- 6.3 Halls – no report
- 6.4 Emergency Plan – no report
- 6.5 Mobile Library Service – the service is being reviewed, and it is proposed that from January 2011 that Dunkeswell will have stops every two weeks as follows: Throgmorton Hall, 25 users – three hour Saturday stop, Village Hall, 5 users, one hour (no day specified), Dunkeswell Abbey, 3 users (no stop scheduled). Comments invited by 10th September 2010. Clerk to request that the Abbey stop continues and point out that the most needy and appreciative are often in the smaller stops.
- 6.6 BHAONB office have contacted the clerk to ask what if any events the parish council are planning to coincide with and promote the Tour of Britain cycle race that will pass through the village on the 14th and 15th September 2010 – clerk to respond and pass on the information to the school.
- 6.7 **School for Dunkeswell** – a draft proposal has been received from WIMS(UK)Ltd, this is not an application as yet, the District Council is interested but the County Education Authority needs to take any action. For information.

7 FINANCE & COUNCIL BUSINESS

7.1 Funding -

7.2	Cheque payments – Clerk - remuneration	£1258.84
	Clerk expenses	£197.86
	Cut and Trim (grass cutting invs 67, 82,89)	£65.00
	Parish plan committee grant to print plan	£2367.88
	Wicksteed (matting play area groundworks grant)	£153.93
	Halse of Honiton (repairs Churchill playground)	£3.17
	Cligg (repairs Churchill playground)	£30.00
	(cheques AGREED)	

Account balances – Parish Account at 1/8/10 - £8,948.87 includes the following:

P3 balance of funds - £518.00

Parish Plan SDF funds balance - £867.88, plus £1500 pc match funding = total £2367.88

- 7.3 Honiton Town Council has written regarding the Town and Parish Meetings it has been holding quarterly for the past eighteen months to discuss matters of mutual interest and to share ideas and initiatives. There have also been speakers on various topics. Honiton Town council feel they have shown willingness for this group to be active but attendance has been very small and they have come to the conclusion that meetings should be suspended until developments at national, local or regional government level indicate the need for joint working and collaboration.
- 7.4 Reminder; Ward Meeting: 6th September 2010 Sheldon Village Hall 7.30pm

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (The meeting to be closed before questions from the public).

Dates for next meetings –

Parish Plan:

13th September 2010 7pm **Dunkeswell Village Hall**

Planning Applications:

20th September 2010 7.30 – 8pm **Dunkeswell Village Hall**

Parish Council:

20th September 2010 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm **Dunkeswell Village Hall**