

## DUNKESWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for a **MEETING** of Dunkeswell Parish Council held in the Village Hall on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs John Barrow (Chairman), Geoffrey Sworder (Vice Chairman), Vanetta Keitch, Nicola Gale, Brendan Procter, Andrew Luscombe, Philip Stevens, Andrew Maynard County Councillor Paul Diviani, District Councillor Bob Buxton, PCSO Anning 30012 and two members of the public.

**Apologies:** PC Vickery 4783

*All councillors are 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 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014** 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. Clerk reminded Cllr Barrow to please put the spare safety notice on the half pipe as the last one had become detached.

## 2 **PLANNING**

([http://planning.eastdevon.gov.uk/PublicAccess/tdc/DcApplication/application\\_searchform.aspx](http://planning.eastdevon.gov.uk/PublicAccess/tdc/DcApplication/application_searchform.aspx) )

2.1 **Decisions** (for information)

2.2.1 **14/1073/MFUL Land South Of Blossom Hill Park Powells Way** – Permission refused for construction of 20 no. dwellings (8 affordable dwellings) including associated external works and access road (resubmission of 14/0315/MFUL previously withdrawn) – appeal has been lodged.

2.2.2 **14/1265/FUL Oaklands** – Permission granted to construction of two single storey garages to serve approved dwellings under application 11/1829/FUL.

2.2.3 **14/0407/FUL Highfield Sports And Social Club (Unit 2) Culme Way** – Permission refused for change of use from sports and social club (sui generis) to public house (class A4) with landlords accommodation above and associated balcony.

### 2.3 **Applications**

2.3.1 none

### 2.4 **APPEALS**

2.4.1 **14/0422/OUT Land Adjacent Flightway Business Park** - New industrial unit, use class B1, B2 or B8 with associated external works and car-parking (outline application with all matters reserved) APP/U1105/A/14/2223490.

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of the East Devon District Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development. The appeal will be determined on the basis of **written representations**. The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009. EDDC have forwarded all the representations made to them on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal. **If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so on the Planning Portal at [www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs) or by emailing [teamp1@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:teamp1@pins.gsi.gov.uk) If you do not have access to the internet you can send three copies to Sarah Hardy, The Planning Inspectorate, 3/09 Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol BS1 6PN. All representations must be received by 26 September 2014.** Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. **All representations must quote the appeal reference.** Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal. The appeal documents are available for inspection at the Council Offices, Knowle, Sidmouth EX10 8HL between 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday or can be viewed on the Council's website at [www.eastdevon.gov.uk](http://www.eastdevon.gov.uk)

### 2.5 **TREE APPLICATIONS (for decision)**

2.5.1 **14/1957/TRE 7 Whitebeam Grove** - G1, Beech - Reduce height to match adjacent trees

### 2.6 **ENFORCEMENT**

2.5.1 **9 Whitebeam Grove UPVC waste stored in front and side garden copy letter from Enforcement**

Over concerns that householders are carrying out a waste recycling and storage operation from a domestic property which requires planning permission under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, because they are changing the use of the land/property. Householder are required to cease this activity and remove all UPVC windows, casement, door frames, glazed panel, storage drums and any other material associated with this activity within 28 days of receiving the letter.

- 2.7 **COMMUNITY LED RURAL HOUSING SEMINAR – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2014 12-3pm Hemyock (Hastoe Housing) Cllr Barrow and Mr Clewer attended and reported that the majority of rural villages have struggled to gain Affordable housing whereas Dunkeswell has had a substantial number of houses built. Community Land Trusts were discussed as a way for communities to take control of their housing need.**
- 2.8 **Community Council of Devon Conference - Rural Renaissance Shrinking state and blooming communities 25th September 10:00 - 16:00 Exeter Racecourse. The cost of the conference is £40 for members and £60 for non-members (including lunch, refreshments, conference pack, and a post conference report). Each member organisation may send up to 3 delegates at the member rate. Please tell clerk if you would like to attend.**
- 2.9 **Neighbourhood Plan – Questionnaire has been sent, next meeting is 1<sup>st</sup> September 7.30pm, Village Hall. Notably Eric Pickles has recently sent a letter encouraging running businesses from home, there was also a question raised by the recent action of MDDC to abolish Band E on the housing list, which would impact who is eligible for an Affordable Home – clerk has enquired if EDDC propose to follow suit.**
- 3 HIGHWAYS**
- 4.1 **Lengthsman Pilot – Parishes Together funding – clerk to arrange meeting shortly, project on Long Lane to alleviate flooding in frost pocket of road has been progressed and map and quote is being drawn up between landowners involved.**
- 4.2 **Issues to report – none in addition to those already reported, road closure on Hemyock road is expected in the autumn for resurfacing, more details shortly.**
- 4.3 **Highway Matters Conference - after the success of the last conference which was held on the 14 September 2013, Devon Highways are currently in the process of organising a similar event this year. As a result of the feedback received from the last event, we have decided to hold two events this year and they will both take place on a weekday;  
The first conference will be held on **Wednesday 17 September 2014** at The Clinton Hall, Merton  
The second conference will be held on **Monday 29 September 2014** at Stokeinteignhead Village Hall  
The events will both be the same in content, with a focus of Community Self Help on Highway Works, and will start 9.30 am. Further details will be provided in due course. Cllr Barrow to attend second date.**
- 5 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**
- 5.1 **Report from Cllr Barrow – Footpath 4 has had a new bridge and laurel cut back and chipped, there is some flattening to be done to make the step up to the bridge more accessible.**
- 5.2 **Enquiry from resident about Foot Path 12 – requesting an update and information on what is being done about reopening it. Apparently Clayhidon are having an informal consultation ref various ideas including upgrading some footpaths to bridleways. Perhaps if Bridleway 12 is not going to be reopened in the near future, DCC could consider upgrading the footpath to a bridleway?  
Clerk to respond that it is closed as a bridleway but currently open as footpath, the river bank is so steep it was dangerous. We are still awaiting action from DCC PROW department, many plans and assessments have been carried out.**
- 6 ENVIRONMENT**
- 6.1 **Emergency planning & winter issues – receive any new items for consideration**
- 6.2 **Devon Waste Plan - Devon County Council waste plan to 2031. The plan will ensure there is adequate waste management capacity for Devon, guide the location of future waste management facilities and provide the policies which will inform decisions on waste planning applications. Representations by 5pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 [www.devon.gov.uk/dwpmmodifications](http://www.devon.gov.uk/dwpmmodifications)**
- 6.3 **Best Kept Village – Dunkeswell scored 88 with no particularly detrimental comments.**
- 7 COMMUNITY**
- 7.1 **Community policing report – PC Vickery/PCSO Anning - Three burglaries on Flightway in one night, a van which was recovered in Birmingham, there was a large quantity of scrap which was also found in the van, there was also scratches to the bodywork of a car and a rear quarter panel one a car was smashed but no entry gained.**
- 7.2 **Playgrounds/Sports field – sign needs replacing on half pipe. Neighbour to rear of Churchill playground has requested that the fence be mended, Cllr Procter to look at what is needed and at replacing some of the wooden posts on the play equipment.**
- 7.3 **Allotments – nothing to report**
- 7.4 **Halls – nothing to report**
- 7.5 **Dog Walking area – rubbish has been burnt, areas are being levelled and cleared ready for seeding in the**

autumn.

7.6 **Dog Bins** – clerk has received several requests for some more dog bins on Highfield, as people are now walking on the roads they are picking up faeces and the current bins are overloaded, there could be bins placed in more locations to spread the load. Three more bins are proposed, decided to ask owners if a trial of composting bins would be feasible with a view to discounted bins for everyone in the parish to alleviate the overburdening of the bins.

7.7 **Parish Computer** – needs a new venue, for discussion.

**8 FINANCE**

8.1 Devon Playing Fields Association and the Devon Association of Community Buildings has merged with the Community Council of Devon to increase the range of services and resources available to the members and clients of each organisation, also to achieve some operational efficiency and cost savings. Membership is £50 for agreement.

**DALC CONFERENCE** – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014 Westpoint. Delegates required please.

8.2 **Bank Account** – a Triodos bank account has been applied for, clerk to circulate details.

8.3 <b>Cheque payments –</b>	Community Council of Devon membership	£50.00
	Cut and Strim (Wellsteps, Hall and two cuts Churchill Playground)	£106.00
	Clerk remuneration June – August 2014	£2145.44
	Clerk expenses June– August 2014	£158.41
	Martin Bell Builder (erect two sheds and lay bases in playgrounds)	£845.00
	Vistaprint (Neighbourhood Plan banners)	£132.83
	Printed.com (Neighbourhood Plan boards)	£78.59
	Stuart Todd Associates (second stage payment support NP)	£1000.00
	J Barrow (footpaths)	£192.00
	R Barrow (footpaths)	£225.00
	<b>(Cheques agreed)</b>	

Account balances – Parish Account at 1/8/14 - £21,816.50 includes the following:

P3 balance of funds - £1198.00 (after above cheques drawn) (298 bal 2014 + 900 grant)

Neighbourhood planning grants £2000 EDDC & £6300 DCLG

(NB Repeal of s.150 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 – electronic payments)

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

**Dates for next meetings 2014 –**

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN MEETING – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 7.30pm Village Hall

8th September 2014 Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm (TBC)

(8th SEPTEMBER 2014 WARD MEETING – 7.30pm Combe Raliegh?)

15th September 2014 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

13th October 2014 Planning Meeting 7 – 8pm 20th October 2014 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

10th November 2014 Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm 17th November 2014 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

8th December 2014 Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm and  
Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm