

DUNKESWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for a **MEETING** of Dunkeswell Parish Council held in the Village Hall on **Monday 17th February 2014 at 7.30pm.**

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

Apologies: Vanetta Keitch, Donna Delamain, PC Vickery 4783, PCSO Anning 30012

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 20th January 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. **NONE**

2 **PLANNING**

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

2.1 **Decisions** (for information)

2.2.1 **13/2721/FUL April Cottage** - Construction of single storey extension, approval granted

2.2 **Applications**

2.2.1 **14/0136/FUL Oaklands** – renovations and extension to bungalow **COMMENTS:** no objections

2.3 **TREE APPLICATIONS** (for decision)

2.3.1 **14/0243/TRE 18 Kennedy Way** – crown oak by 10% **DECISION:** (to be made after officers report received)

2.4 **Neighbourhood Plan-** clerk has met with Lisa Turner AONB, Stuart Todd and Paul Weston to obtain quotes and spoken to Lesley Smith CCD. Timeline and skeleton sequence of consultation events has been agreed (to be circulated). Quotations awaited,

3 **HIGHWAYS**

3.1 **Lengthsman visit** – all further highway works other than safety issues (but including lengthsman visits) have been postponed until the next financial year due to storm clean up works. Clerk has asked for the support of Cllr Diviani regards applying for Parishes Together Funding to trial a local service to support the lengthsman, supply Chapter 8 training and a small grant to parishes. **AGREED** to apply.

3.2 **Letter received from Neil Parish** explaining that he is asking for a further feasibility study regards possible improvements to the A30/303.

3.3 **Items to report;** field on the left from Wolford to Ewings Ash, Windgate Hill, on main road by police house and Green Lane potholes, culvert under the road by Wolford Chapel needs jetting/clearing.

4 **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

4.1 Report from Cllr Barrow – some major clearing up has been along the footpath beside Garden Cottage.

5 **ENVIRONMENT**

5.1 **Emergency planning** – receive any new items for consideration

5.2 **Cherry Tree Wellsteps** – this tree is completely rotten and possibly unsafe, agreed to dig out the spot and replace with another tree of a different species.

5.3 **EDDC Special Event** – Parliamentary Outreach Service Thursday 13th March 2014 6-9pm Knowle Sidmouth. Every parish council is invited to send one councillor to the event and in addition if there is anyone in the parish who is considering standing for election in 2015 they are asked to contact EDDC direct.

5.4 **Devon Waste Plan: Pre-submission Consultation event.** This will be available for you to view and comment on until 24/02/14 17:00 Please select the following link to view this event: http://devoncc-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/devon_waste_plan

5.6 **Day Services Review** - Devon County Council is carrying out a review of its day services in order to identify how best to respond to the different choices that people are now making about their daytime needs. There will be a 45 day consultation period (3rd February 2014 -19th March 2014) and that consultation documents for services in your area are available on-line at <http://new.devon.gov.uk/daysservices/>. If you would like a copy sent directly to you please email clcfeedback@devon.gov.uk. The review and consultation is taking place because more people are choosing to

pursue other hobbies and interests during the day, or attend other activities such as memory cafes or luncheon clubs in preference to attending Council owned day centres. While many people have told us that they wish to receive their day services in different ways by using personal budgets, we also recognise that others may still wish to attend day centres. Most importantly, there will be no change to people's entitlement, and everyone eligible for Council support will continue to receive it. DCC are working closely with voluntary organisations, care providers, community groups and other services to make sure we can provide a range of choices and opportunities. And we have gathered information on local provision to inform the review and proposals, with community groups, charities and organisations who provide day services sharing their knowledge with us. For each centre we have considered current capacity, likely future demand, condition of the building and its ability to meet rising care standards. As a result, we are proposing retaining 10 of our day centres, merging six day services into three of our centres, and using private sector provision in place of 25 centres. We will now be holding meetings over the coming weeks with staff, clients and their carers to discuss the proposals for their day service in more detail before any decisions are made in the spring. There will also be a series of meetings to gather the views of stakeholders on the proposals – more details will be sent to you in the coming weeks. Further information about the day service review and the consultation process can be found on our dedicated website <http://new.devon.gov.uk/daysservices/>.

5 COMMUNITY

- 6.1 **Community policing report** – PC Vickery/PCSO Anning -
- 6.2 **Playgrounds/Sports field** – nothing to report.
- 6.3 **Allotments** –
- 6.4 **Halls** –
- 6.5 **School for Dunkeswell/Youthclub** –
- 6.6 **CPRE - Best Kept Village** – applications to be submitted by 18th April 2014, details for the children's map competition to be publicised.
- 6.7 **Abbey Chapel** – letter received from Neil Parish and DCC, also copy of Ofsted's recent inspection. Meeting with Charlie West DCC, police and Gill Holt ECG is scheduled.
- 6.8 **CITIZENS ADVICE** - have an exciting opportunity for our parish council to provide the venue for a free course entitled 'Making your money go Further' would the parish like to host an event? Cost will be £50 agreed not to accept the offer.
- 6.9 **Devon County Council** will be withdrawing from the delivery of open access, universal Youth Work and will become one providing targeted support. This would mean that DCC would no longer manage and run any of the current local youth centres. There is now a consultation period where people in communities can explore options and look at how this may impact in THEIR communities. Please find all the information on the review and process here: www.devon.gov.uk/youthreview. Within the website there is a page for communities to find out more and register an interest and I know as interested members within your community you may like to discuss with others. I am not in a position to answer many questions at this time, however I am able to offer a space within the Honiton or Axminster Centre for a meeting if you wish. Please contact me with for further information and forward this to other interested members of the community. peopleservices-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

7 FINANCE

- 7.1 **Receipts** - none
- 7.2 **Cheque payments** –
- | | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Clerk remuneration | £1791.56 |
| Clerk expenses | £241.17 |
| HMRC PAYE | £27.40 |
| Chris Rudge (scaffold) | £315.0 |
| Dunkeswell parish magazine | £481.00 |
| Dunkeswell Hall Hire | £252.00 |
| J Howard FPs | £255.00 |
| J Barrow FPs | £320.00 |
- 7.3 **P3 finance forms** received for completion by MONDAY, 24th FEBRUARY 2014
 Account balances – Parish Account at 1/2/14 - £21,293.12 includes the following:
 P3 balance of funds - £918.00 (after above cheques drawn) (459+800 – 138 -203 -255 -320)

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

A lady and gentleman asked about the highways network and why it was deteriorating so badly, Cllr Diviani explained that the current DCC £35m budget for highway repairs needs to be approximately £65m per annum to keep the highway as it is, let alone make improvements, there simply isn't money available to do what is needed.

Members Remember! You must declare any personal or prejudicial interests at the start of the meeting (item number 3). Make sure you say the reason for your interest as this has to be included in the minutes. If your interest is prejudicial you must leave the room.

Dates for next meetings 2013/4 –

(3rd March 2014	7.30pm WARD MEETING – Sheldon – NOW CONFIRMED)
10th March 2014	Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm
17th March 2014	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
7th April 2014	Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm
14th April 2014	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
12th May 2014	Planning Meeting 7–7.30pm and Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm (Annual General Meeting)
19th May 2014	7.45pm Annual Parish Meeting (CHECK TIME FOR DOG TRAINING CLASH?) (at Community Hall)
9th June 2014	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
16th June 2014	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
7th July 2014	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
14th July 2014	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
11th August 2014	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
18th August 2014	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
8th September 2014	Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm
(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