

**DUNKESWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes for a MEETING** of Dunkeswell Parish Council held in the Village Hall on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs John Barrow (Chairman), Nicola Gale, Brendan Procter, Andrew Luscombe, Andrew Maynard District Councillor Bob Buxton, and fifteen members of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllrs Vanetta Keitch, Geoffrey Sworder (Vice Chairman), Philip Stevens, County Councillor Paul Diviani, 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 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015** 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. Cllr Barrow declared an interest in application number 15/0507/FUL as did Cllrs Procter and Luscombe. This did not leave a quorum of councillors who were able to vote and return comment, therefore the parish council must allow the district council to decide the application without passing comment. Cllr Procter declared an interest in application 15/0280/VAR and did not participate in the discussion or the vote.

**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)

2.1.1 **15/0146/FUL 34 Catalina Close** – Approval granted for extension

2.1.2 **14/2486/FUL Lammas Land** - Approval granted for installation of 50kW ground mounted solar PV array and associated infrastructure.

2.1.3 **14/2226/FUL Dunkeswell Airfield** - Approval granted for construction of aircraft storage shed

2.2 **15/0204/FUL2 Broomfields** – Approval granted for creation of vehicular access and provision of off road parking

**2.2 Applications**

2.2.1 **15/0280/VAR Mansell Raceway Dunkeswell Aerodrome** - Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 99/P0234 to allow more than 8no karts to be in use at any time. Cllr Procter declared an interest and did not participate in the discussion or vote. The parish council heard the out line of the proposal from the agent for Mansell Raceway, from Sheldon Parish meeting representatives and Dunkeswell residents who all expressed concerns about noise, pollution and traffic as well as increased development on the site to accommodate more visitors. Lisa Turner planning officer BHAONB has written a substantial objection to the proposal on many grounds relating to policies in the AONB Management Plan. It was agreed that despite best intentions stated by the raceway that the increase will allow more people on the track at once and so will shorten the time that the track is used, it was felt that if any permission was granted it could be implemented to its full and noise will as agreed by all increase, no mater by how much, therefore worst case has always to be considered. It was suggested that an increase in kart numbers could be mitigated by imposing further time restrictions, this is not however part of this application. **COMMENTS:** It was agreed that the parish council should object strongly to the application supporting the comments made by Lisa Turner Planning Officer for the BHAONB in their entirety. Representatives of Mansell Raceway were thanked for coming to answer questions and it is hoped they might take on board the comments made by those affected in any future application.

2.2.2 **14/2582/VAR Blossom Hill Park Louis Way** - Variation of condition 3 of planning application 87/P0472 to amend layout of static holiday caravan park. **COMMENTS:** The parish Council feel that no. 1, 2, 3 & 4 should be moved away from the boundary, and lowered further for the privacy of neighbouring properties. It is still felt the development is too dense and the layout does not retain the open feel of the original permission.

2.2.3 **15/0507/FUL Marylea** - Construction of dwelling for agricultural worker. Cllr Barrow declared an interest and left the room while discussions took place. **COMMENTS:** After all interests were declared there was not a quorum who were able to vote and return comment, therefore the parish council must allow the district council to decide the application without passing comment.

**2.3 TREE APPLICATIONS (for decision)**

- 2.3.1 15/0532/TRE 1 Foxglove Close** – T1,3,4,6,8,10,12,27 and 28 - Coppice to 1m.T2,5,7,9,11,13-18, 20-26 and 29-31 - Reduce to 4m.
- 2.3.2 15/0547/TRE Delfim** - T6, Beech - Remove 1 branch on N E aspect of tree. T8, Beech - Fell.

- 2.4 Neighbourhood Plan** – The draft plan has been circulated for six week consultation comments to parishioners, all consultees, neighbouring parishes and EDDC comments are due by 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015. Dunkeswell now has a facebook page and twitter feed both are being well used already with roughly 50 followers on each. Planning applications and news will be posted on both so it will be an instant way for public to keep up with events. The Neighbourhood Plan link was promoted with a budget of £10 which has ensured that almost 600 people in Dunkeswell have had it appear on their news feed on Facebook.

**3 HIGHWAYS**

- 4.1 Lengthsman Pilot – Parishes Together funding** – update
- 4.2 Issues to report;**

**5 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

- 5.1 Report from Cllr Barrow** –

**6 ENVIRONMENT**

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

**7 COMMUNITY**

- 7.1 Community policing report** – PC Vickery/PCSO Anning - there was a spate of burglaries last week on Flightway all in one night.
- 7.2 Playgrounds/Sports field** – It was asked if the clerk could ask the adjacent builders to stop using the New Century playpark as a parking area, there are safety concerns for children.
- 7.3 Allotments** – nothing to report
- 7.4 Halls** – nothing to report
- 7.5 Dog Walking** – one of the new poo bins has come loose, Cllr Barrow to check fixing.

**8 FINANCE**

<b>8.1 Receipts -</b>	Locality Grant (final balance) Neighbourhood Plan	£700.00
	P3 DCC Footpaths Grant	£1000.00
<b>Cheque payments –</b>	J Barrow footpaths expenses	£45.00
	CJ Barrow (Percy Hill)	£288.00
	EDDC Dog Bins	£588.00
	Mr B Buxton (Storage of files)	£24.00
	Village Hall insurance grant	£575.00
	Hire of village Hall	£294.00
<b>DONATIONS;</b>	East Devon Citizens Advice Bureau	£50.00
	Honiton Mobile Library	£50.00
	Honiton Library	£50.00
	Honiton Ring and Ride - TRIP	£50.00
	Blackdown Support Group	£50.00
	Dunkeswell Preschool	£150.00
	Blackdown Hills Parish Network	£200.00

**(Cheques and donations agreed)**

Account balances – Parish Account at 1/3/15 - £13877.78 includes the following:

P3 balance of funds (opening balance minus - £92) (+£1000 grant)

Neighbourhood planning grants £2000 EDDC & £7000 DCLG

- 8.2 P3 Forms** have been submitted.

- 8.3 Dates and awareness raising for forthcoming elections** – Clerk to put details of how to apply to be a parish councillor in the magazine and on the notice boards, website and social media. It would be ideal if everyone standing would like to send a paragraph about themselves and their vision for the village to the magazine to print and this could also be displayed as at the All Party General Election Hustings at Throgmorton Hall in April 2015.

**KEY DATES FOR CANDIDATES WHO WISH TO STAND FOR PARISH COUNCIL ARE:**

Clerk should have nomination packs by 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Receipt of Nominations (when you can submit your application forms) from Tuesday 31 March between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm (Close of nominations is 4pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and elections will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015)

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

**Dates for next meetings 2015 –**

31 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	NOMINATIONS OPEN (forms can be delivered to EDDC from 9am)	
9th April 2015	CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS (Forms must be at EDDC by 4pm)	
13th April 2015	Village Hall	Planning Meeting 7 – 7.30pm
20th April 2015	Village Hall	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	POLL – ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS	
11th May 2015	Village Hall	Planning Meeting 7–7.30pm & Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm (Annual General Meeting)

18th May 2015      **Annual Parish Meeting** 8pm Throgmorton Community Hall

8th June 2015	Village Hall	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
15th June 2015	Village Hall	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
13th July 2015	Village Hall	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
20th July 2015	Village Hall	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
17th August 2015	Village Hall	Planning Meeting 7 - 8pm
24th August 2015	Village Hall	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm