

DUNSTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10th September 2018 7.00pm.
TITHE BARN, DUNSTER

Attendees

Councillors: D Challoner (Chair), C Oliver, C Ell, G Witherford, A Vicary, G Lamacraft, A Webber, G Dibble and A Bevan (left at 7.55pm)

Clerk: Mrs Sarah Towells

Other: 1 member of the public

Apologies

Councillors: Cllr Lawrence (SCC) & Cllr P Pilkington (WSC)

Other: None

Before the start of the meeting a presentation was made from Alex de Medoza and David Latimer on the Minehead Rail Link Group.

18/65 Apologies – As listed above

18/66 Declarations of interest and dispensations: There were none.

18/67 Co-option of new councillor: An application had been received from Mr Peter Finney for the casual vacancy on the council. It was unanimously resolved to co-opt Mr Finney to the council. As Cllr Finney was in attendance he duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance, after which he was able to take part in the remainder of the meeting.

18/68 Minutes of the meeting held on 13th August: It was unanimously resolved to approve the minutes.

18/69 Public Participation: None

18/70 Report from West Somerset Councillor: There was no report.

18/71 Report from Somerset County Councillor: There was no report.

18/72 Any other reports: There were none.

18/73 Matters arising:

18/73.1 Dunster Steep Toilets: Cllr Challoner reported the sani-flow had been repaired and also the automatic lock on the mother and baby unit, but one of the locks in the gents had broken. Cllrs Challoner and Ell would have a meeting with Dunster Tourism Forum to ask if any funding is available.

18/73.2 Commercial unit: A provisional tenant had been found. It was resolved Thorne Segar would act for the Parish Council.

18/73.3 Sport England Award: Sport England have confirmed they are now happy with all the information received and will pay the £20,000 funding. The planning permission will be looked at by WSC on 19th October and Cllr Challoner confirmed the £250.00 would still be payable for the administration fees along with £117.00 for the planning application.

18/73.4 Defibrillator: Cllr Challoner reported that the Luttrell Arms had contacted him to say the defibrillator could be positioned in their loading bay. Cllr Bevan left at this point.

18/73.5 Electric car charge points: Cllrs Witherford and Challoner had completed the survey which Cllr Pilkington sent in.

18/73.6 Festival shed: No update.

18/73.7 Floating Banner: The Clerk reported she had no update, but Cllr Dibble agreed to have a word with the shop owner.

18/73.8 Bin at Church Street: It was resolved the Clerk would type something up and Cllr Ell would place in the letter boxes of the holiday cottages.

18/73.9 Trees and shrubs in the school playing field: The Clerk reported the correspondence received from the school stating they would get this looked at.

18/73.10 Sign for underpass: It was resolved to write to Jo Sharpe to ask for this.

18/74 Accounts Report:

18/74.1 Approval of expenditure: It was unanimously resolved to pay the payments on the attached list with the exception of the one for the electrical repairs in the toilet. Cllr Challoner would contact G A Sully for clarification on this invoice.

18/74.2 Current account expenditure analysis: It was resolved to note the current account expenditure analysis and to note the bank balance on 31st August 2018 was £49,908.10

18/74.3 Bank reconciliation for August 2018: It was resolved to note that Cllr Challoner had signed the bank reconciliation for the month of August.

18/74.4 Buttercross and Riverside Walk balance: It was resolved to note the balance of the accounts were £2519.88 and £250.96 as of 10th September 2018.

18/75 Planning

18/75.1 To consider the following planning applications:

Exmoor National Park	6/10/18/105LB	Dunster Working Watermill	New set of Millstones	NO OBJECTIONS
Exmoor National Park	6/10/18/108	Riverside 22 Park Street Dunster	Rear extension with internal alterations	NO OBJECTIONS
Exmoor National Park	6/10/18/106	26 High Street Dunster	Replacement rear lean-to extension with internal alterations and erection of a timber shed in garden	A site meeting would be arranged.

18/75.2 To note the following planning decisions:

Exmoor National Park	6/10/18/104	Former Public Conveniences	Variation to windows on side wall	Amendment - Accepted
Exmoor National Park	6/10/18/103LB	Dunster Castle	LB Consent for new handrails	Granted

It was resolved to note the decisions.

18/75.3 Appeal – Maples Ellicombe Lane – It was resolved that there was no change to the Parish Council's original comments.

18/76 Correspondence:

18/76.1 To note the correspondence log: It was resolved to note the correspondence log.

18/76.2 Any other correspondence: There was none

18/77 Cemetery Charges: It was resolved to defer this item to the next meeting.

18/78 Misuse of disabled parking bays: It was resolved the Clerk would respond to say this is not in the remit of the Parish Council and if she continues to have concerns to call the police.

18/79 Items on Report: The report in the latest edition of the Free Press regarding non-salting of roads would be no change for Dunster.

The meeting held at the Rugby Club for Castlefields was well attended. It was noted that minimum repairs would be carried out to the pill box to include making the roof sound and putting a door on.

The yellow zig zag lines by the school are still being parked on.

Tree in cemetery needs cutting back.

The gate post in the old cemetery needs repairing as it had been knocked.

Lots of A Boards are appearing in the village on the footpaths.

Three street lights at Dunster Marsh are not working.

Weeds in the village require a second spray.

Comments had been received to say how nice the new cemetery was kept.

The twenty-minute parking in the high street was never adhered to, some cars parking there for very long periods.

18/80 Matters for the next meeting to be held on 8th October: There were none.

Meeting closed 8.35 p.m.

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