

DUNSTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD At DUNSTER TITHE BARN ON
13th December 2021 7.00pm

Attendees

Councillors: D Challoner (Chair), C Oliver, A Vicary, K Sully, T Williams, J Meakes, G Dibble, M Ellis
and P Finney

Clerk: Mrs Sarah Towells

Other: Christine Lawrence (SCC), S Griffiths (SWaT)

Apologies

Councillors: C Ell & P Herron

Other: None

21/170 To note apologies for absence: As noted above.

21/171 Any New Declarations of interest and dispensations: There were none.

21/172 Minutes of the Meeting held on 08th November 2021 for approval: It was resolved to approve the minutes.

21/173 Accounts

21/173.1 Approval of expenditure: It was unanimously resolved to pay the payments on the attached list. It was further resolved to changing the water supply back to Wessex Water.

21/173.2 Current account expenditure analysis for November 2021: It was resolved to note the income and expenditure for November, and this was signed by Cllr Finney

21/173.3 Bank reconciliation for November 2021: It was resolved to note Cllr Finney had signed this.

21/173.4 Buttercross Orchard balance: The Clerk had received updated accounts.

21/173.5 Budget Monitoring: It was resolved to note the budget monitoring. This was signed by Cllr Finney.

21/173.6 PAYE figures for November 2021: These were checked and signed by Cllr Dibble

21/174 Planning:

21/174.1 To consider the following planning applications:

ENP	6/10/21/131LB	10 High Street Dunster, TA24 4SG	Listed building consent for the proposed replacement of two first floor windows.	It was resolved NO OBJECTIONS
ENP	6/10/21/132LB	30 High Street Dunster, TA24 4SG	Listed building consent for the proposed upgrading of existing shop ceiling for fire protection and installation of fire door to replace existing.	It was resolved NO OBJECTIONS

21/174.2 Response from Trevor Short regarding marquee at The Castle: It was resolved to contact him again and explain that the marquee is still there and should have been removed by the end of September.

21/175 Toilets: Cllr Challoner had met with Ross Cox regarding the work needing doing. It was resolved the Clerk would chase to get the quote.

21/176 Correspondence: There was none.

21/177 Dunster Recovery Working Group: The Christmas trees are up. Three planters need to be moved. Jenny Fender had now completed the website training.

21/178 Welcome Back Fund: The bins are now on order. Three bike racks are waiting to be installed.

21/179 Risk Register – updates: There were no updates.

21/180 Report from County Councillor: Cllr Lawrence recommended we invite Sam Murrell to come and address the council. The Coronavirus support helpline continues to be available. Somerset continues to have one of the highest vaccination rates in the country. Following the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government (now renamed Department for Levelling up, housing and communities) decision to support the move to a single unitary council across Somerset the transition programme, lead teams and governance structure have been agreed by all Councils. A Joint scrutiny board is now being formed by approval through the five councils. SCC's rights of way team have completed work on a major new section of the English Coastal Path around Doniford section.

21/181 Report from District Councillor: SWaT employees and councillors are going back to working from home. Government will look at allowing zoom meetings again. SWP website has a festive feature telling us what we can recycle.

21/182 20mph speed limit in Dunster: There was no update.

21/183 Dunster Working Group: A meeting was held in November and Chris Oliver was the chair. The money should be transferred to the Parish Council to hold for the working group and to be used within the policy of the working group. It was noted that the money required for the play area should be transferred to allow the work to be conducted. The next meeting would be held mid-January.

21/184 Packhorse playing field: Dunster working group would pay for the work required. A grant from Hinkley Point has also been received.

21/185 Riverside Walk: Cllr Challoner reported this should be complete prior to Christmas.

21/186 Sea Lane Flooding: There was no update. It was resolved the Clerk would chase this.

21/187 Trees by the underpass: There was no update. It was resolved the Clerk would chase this.

21/188 Charge Points at Luttrell: It was resolved to note the letter from ENP Planning department.

21/189 Charge points in Car Park: There was no update. It was resolved the Clerk would request a date form SWAT when these would be fitted.

21/190 Queens Jubilee 2022: Cllr Dibble put this in the Parish magazine but had received no feedback to date. Would try again in the January.

21/191 Hedge by doctors: The hedge by the doctors' surgery had been cut.

21/192 Stone Wall on cemetery side of allotment: The Clerk had contacted three people for quotes and they would be contacting Cllr Sully to arrange a site meeting before submitting their quotes to the Clerk.

21/193 Loose Cobles by the Deli: These had been repaired but some were already working loose again.

21/194 Domestic Homicide Review Representative: Cllr Oliver had done this.

21/195 Community Garden Project: A bit of land has been leased from the College on the old A39 to start a community garden project. Cllrs Sully, Vicary, Meakes and Williams attended a meeting. Cllr Sully explained he thought it was too much out of the way to work.

21/196 Items to Report:

Trees up the steep require work.

Complaints about water flow on the River Avil, as someone smashed the lock and replaced it. This was reported to Burt Leach and it has now been sorted.

A lot of work has been going on in the middle nunnery cottage on Church Street.

The Ash Tree behind the Pavilion needs removing.

The steps at the top of West Close are dangerous at night.

21/197 Matters for the next meeting: There were none

Meeting closed 8.20 p.m.

Signed Date.....