

DALWOOD PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DALWOOD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONWEDNESDAY, 25<sup>th</sup> MAY 2016AT 7.30 p.m. IN DALWOOD VILLAGE HALL

1. PRESENT : Cllr. K.G. Laing (Chairman), Cllr. P.H. Lawrence (Vice-chairman), Cllr. G.R. Cooper, Cllr. K.J. Gigg, Cllr. G.J. Perry, Cllr. L.P. White, Cty. Cllr. Moulding, Dist. Cllr. I. Chubb and the Clerk. 2 members of the public.

2. APOLOGIES : Cllr. A.P. Bengier.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

a) Chairman – Cllr. Laing, duly proposed and seconded, was re-elected as Chairman and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

b) Vice-Chairman – Cllr. Lawrence, duly proposed and seconded, was re-elected as Vice-chairman.

The following responsibilities were allocated, duly proposed and seconded:

c) Planning – all members.

d) Dalwood Village Hall – Cllr. Laing.

e) Parish Paths Partnership Co-ordinators – Mr. O. Morgan.

f) Responsible Financial Officer – the Clerk.

g) Devon Association of Local Councils Area Representatives – Chairman and Vice-chairman.

h) Axe Valley and West Dorset Ring and Ride – Cllr. Cooper.

i) Dalwood Lands Trust – Cllr. Laing and Cllr. Lawrence.

j) Internal Auditor – Mr. Walker.

k) Dalwood Recreational Trust – Cllr. Perry.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016: Cllr. Cooper pointed out that his name had been omitted as being present. Cllr. Lawrence, seconded by Cllr. White, proposed that these minutes be approved and adopted subject to that correction. Agreed.

5. POLICE REPORT: no crimes had been reported.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016: None.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS :

a) Current Position - the Clerk reported the financial position stood as follows:

<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>	
30/04/2016	
STATEMENT 75 30/04/2016	11533.64
(Unpresented Cheques)	-425.65
Post Date Payments	0.00
	11107.99
Post Date Receipts	1200.00
Total	12307.99

This was broken down as follows:

ACCOUNT SUMMARY	
P3 Balance	2715.97
Parish Business Balance	9592.02
Grants Balance	0.00
Total	12307.99

b) Requests for Financial Assistance - None.

c) Intervening Payments to be Approved:

CHQ NO.	PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP	Sum	V.A.T	Goods
	Payee	£	£	£
908	O. Morgan (Materials)	40.08	0.00	40.08
		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total	40.08	0.00	40.08

CHQ NO.	PARISH BUSINESS	Sum	V.A.T	Goods
	Payee	£	£	£
909	Devon Association of Local Councils (Annual fee)	91.17	11.85	79.32

Cllr. Perry seconded by Cllr. Lawrence proposed that these payments be approved. Agreed.

d) Payments to be Approved for which bills had been received : None.

e) Forthcoming Payments: The Clerk said that the bills for stationery, grass cutting and the commemorative medallions may fall due before the next meeting.

f) Parishes Together Funding – it was proposed that contact be made with Stockland Parish Council with a view to further works being undertaken on various local paths. Cllr. Perry will discuss the additional works which will be required as a continuation of the work being done, using a grant from Cllr. Moulding's Locality Fund, in the current year and bring a cost to the next meeting.

g) Pensions Auto Enrolment – The Clerk had not yet made contact with Devon County Council pension fund to find out whether Dalwood Parish Council could register with it.

#### 8. PLANNING MATTERS:

a) Applications:

16/0840/FUL

Merrydown, Old Taunton Road, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7QD

Single storey front and rear extensions and provision of raised deck.

DALWOOD PARISH COUNCIL SUPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

CLLR. LAWRENCE DECLARED A PECUNIARY INTEREST AS THE EMPLOYER OF THE APPLICANT OF THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION AND LEFT THE CHAMBER WHILE THIS APPLICATION WAS DISCUSSED.

16/1035/FUL

3, Danes Hill, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7EH

Proposed car port.

DALWOOD PARISH COUNCIL OPPOSES THIS APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT IS DISPROPORTIONATE IN RELATION TO THE DWELLING AND DETRACTS FROM THE GENERAL AMENITY OF THE PAIR OF HOUSES WHICH LIE IN AN AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY

CLLR. LAWRENCE RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER.

16/1054/FUL

Frooms Cottage, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7DY  
Second storey extension and new porch.

DALWOOD PARISH COUNCIL SUPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

16/1152/AGR

Elford Farm, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7HB  
General purpose agricultural building.

DALWOOD PARISH COUNCIL OPPOSES THIS APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS OF ITS EXCESSIVE SIZE AND PROMINENT POSITIONING WITHIN AN AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY

#### APPEALS

b) Decisions

APPROVAL

16/0840/FUL

Merrydown, Old Taunton Road, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7QD  
Single storey front and rear extensions and provision of raised deck

16/0772/FUL

Land adjacent to Cobweb Cottage, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon. EX13 7HP  
Construction of tractor shedc) Correspondence –

d) Neighbourhood Planning – Dr. Fearnley had confirmed her willingness to chair the steering group. Other members of the steering group will be Cllr. Laing, Mrs. Horley and Mrs. Lucas. The general feeling of Parish Council members was that although Dalwood was deemed by the District Council to be an unsustainable village, some degree of development was needed.

#### 9. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

a) Response to Matters Reported Previously – the Clerk said that she had reported various items to the Neighbourhood Highway Officer but had not had the opportunity to pursue the outcomes as yet.

b) Matters to Report:

- i. Sunnylands Lane to Loughwood Lane turn – many potholes and drainage problems.
- ii. Lower Lane – need for an unmetalled road sign at Millwater Cross.
- iii. Need for a reflective bollard by Hill View.
- iv. Large stone on visibility splay by Harner's Mead needs highlighting.
- v. The drains by the chicken farm in Sunnylands Lane need to be investigated as it is feared they have collapsed. This work should be done prior to any remedial work in i. Being undertaken.
- vi. The drainage on the road between Carters Cross and Ham is also in need of proper remedial action.
- vii. Drainage problems above Newberys.
- viii. Subsidence on Andrewshayes Lane.

c) A35: nothing to report.

10. MATTERS OF URGENCY: None.

11. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP: It was agreed to accept the quote to undertake the provision of steps on footpath 13 for the sum of £1360. Additional funding had been made available by the County Council. Works on the Boundary Path were not yet possible.

12. EMERGENCY PLANNING: Cllr. Lawrence said that there was nothing to report.

13. ARRANGEMENTS FOR H.M. QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY: arrangements for this event are in hand.

14. MAINTENANCE MATTERS:

- a) Notice Boards – the fitting of a corkboard surface was still required but the Clerk was concerned that the perimeter needed extra sealant as it appeared that water was getting in which might affect the adhesion of any corkboard to the backing board.
- b) Grass Maintenance – nothing to report. The next cut was needed.
- c) Telephone Kiosk – nothing to report.
- d) Bus Shelters – these were in sound condition.
- e) Tree Matters – nothing to report.
- f) Seats – it was agreed that the seats owned by E.D.D.C. should be treated to prevent their deterioration.
- g) River Gravel – Cllr. Perry will contact the Environment Agency to arrange a suitable time for this to be shifted.

15. SUPERFAST BROADBAND: the high cost of this was thought to be a deterrent for some people.

16. ELECTORAL REVIEW OF DEVON DECISION: it appeared from the response of the Member of Parliament that it was unlikely that the Boundary Commission's decision would be reversed..

17. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION: nothing to report.

18. CORRESPONDENCE: Various items were put into circulation.

19. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS: Councillors updated their Registers of Member's Interests.

20. PUBLIC FORUM: the following were among matters raised:

- a) That there appeared to be some problems in the way some information relating to footpaths was appearing on the website. The matter will be raised with the webmaster.

Signed ..... Date .....