

Minutes of the Dunkerton & Tunley Parish Council Meeting 7 September 2023 7.30 pm Dunkerton Parish Hall

Ref	Agenda Item	Minute	Action
	ATTENDANCE	Cllr Robinson Vice Chair and Chairman of this meeting, Cllr Mannings , Cllr Prescott, Cllr Willert (Cllr from agenda item 5), Cllr Batchelor (Cllr from agenda item 5), Ward Cllr Matt McCabe (from agenda item 5.3) and the Clerk Kathryn Manchee	
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Cllr Orme and Ward Cllr Gourley.	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS	None.	
3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25 July were approved and signed by the chairman.	
4	Consideration of Co-option of Councillors	The parish council unanimously approved the co-option of Hannah Willert and Sue Batchelor as councillors onto the parish council.	
4.1	Receive the declaration of Acceptance of Office from Co-opted Councillors	The declaration of office was signed by both prospective councillors witnessed by the clerk.	
5	MATTERS ARISING		

5.1	Update on Progress on Reintroducing a Bus Service to Tunley – Ward Cllr Fiona Gourley	Due to a clash with a BANES council meeting Cllr Gourley was not present to provide an update.	
5.2	Update on the Dunkerton Bus Shelter Street Light Repair	A quote has still not been received. Clerk to continue to chase.	Clerk
5.3	Update on DPH Committee Proposal regarding the Cricket Ground and Manders Orchard	Cllr Orme has spoken to a Dunkerton Parish Hall committee member about the undeveloped proposal concerning Manders Orchard and the cricket ground. Cllr Orme explained that at the June parish council meeting the parish council had agreed to seek some income from them. Cllr Orme made an appropriately undeveloped counter-proposal, as discussed at the July meeting, that if some agreement could be fashioned that created some income for the parish council the parish council would not be averse to the idea that the DPH committee take on the management of the Orchard and cricket ground. The DPH committee member said he was in a recruiting push for additional DPH committee members, after which he would get the committee to discuss. He started out on potential DPH recruiting but holidays etc. means he will progress again in October – so any	

		dialogue on Manders Orchard etc. would be some way off. To remain open as an agenda item.	
5.4	Update on Remaining Prospective Councillors	One is to be co-opted at the October meeting and the other at the November meeting. Then all vacancies will have been filled.	
5.5	Consideration of the insurance and maintenance implications of installing a metal miner in Tunley.	<p>Following the approval by highways for a metal miner to be installed by the coal truck the metal miner installation in Tunley is being progressed by the Somerset Miners Welfare Trust (SMWT) with a parishioner. The parish council unanimously resolve to take on the responsibility for the metal miner in terms of insurance and ongoing care subject to the following conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No aspect of the installation should adversely impinge on any aspect of highways safety such that it might undermine BANES' recent approval for the installation • If for whatever reason, by whatever means, the figure is stolen or damaged beyond repair the parish council will not purchase another one to replace it • SMWT to confirm to the parish council when the figure has been installed to its satisfaction, so there is a definite handover date to the parish council. We note we assume responsibility for 	Clerk

		ongoing maintenance thereafter. Clerk to respond to the SMWT.	
5.6	Update on Tunley Traffic Calming Review	Confirmation has been received from BANES Council of the acceptance of the proposals. The working group now has to wait for the highways officers to scrutinise the review that has been submitted.	
6	URGENT BUSINESS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIRMAN	None.	
7	FINANCE		
7.1	Payments For Approval	Approved. Details can be found in Appendix 1.	Clerk
7.2	Financial Report including 1st qtr Forecast vs Budget 2023 2024	The balance of funds as at 7 September is £12,971.94.	
7.3	Consideration a Request from TRC for help with financing new defibrillator pads	It was unanimously resolved to fund half of the cost of the new pads which would be a contribution of £70.	Clerk
8	PLANNING		

8.1	BANES Planning Decisions	<p>Planning Application REF 22/02169/EOUT Parcel 4234 Combe Hay Lane Combe Hay Outline application for Phases 3 and 4 for up to 300 dwellings; landscaping; drainage; open space; footpaths and emergency access; all matters reserved, except access from Coombe Hay Lane via the approved Phase 1 spine road (details of internal roads and footpaths reserved); (ii) Detailed application for the continuation of the spine road (from Phase 1), to and through Sulis Manor and associated works comprising: the demolition of existing dilapidated buildings and tree removal; drainage; landscaping; lighting; and boundary treatment; to enable construction of the spine road, and (iii) Detailed application for landscaping; mitigation works; allotments; including access; on the field known as Derrymans. PENDING DECISION. Lots of additional information has been submitted on which the parish council will be commenting.</p> <p>Planning Application REF 22/01975/FUL Upper Manor Farm Priston Hill Priston Conversion of existing garage and storage barn into residential dwelling. PENDING DECISION.</p> <p>Planning Application REF 22/01861/FUL and Planning Application REF 22/01862/LBA Old Farmhouse Withyditch for replacement of</p>	

		<p>an existing single story rear extension, adjustments to an existing two story rear extension and removal of a single storey lean-to structure. APPROVED.</p> <p>Planning Application REF 23/00450/FUL Lower Tunley Farm Stoneage Lane Tunley Erection of new farm building APPROVED</p> <p>Planning Application 23/01722/ADCOU Barn In Parcel 8966 North Hill Farm The Hollow APPROVED.</p> <p>Planning Application REF 23/02293/FUL Parcel 4823 Old Dunkerton Hill Dunkerton Erection of link extension to dwelling APPROVED.</p> <p>23/01706/FUL Parcel 8775, Tunley Road, Tunley, Bath Erection of tractor and implements shed PENDING DECISION</p> <p>The Batch Tunley 22/00378/UNAUTH PENDING though an update was provided by the case officer.</p>	
8.2	Planning Correspondence and Planning Related Matters	None.	Clerk/Cllr Robinson
9	OTHER ISSUES FOR THE ATTENTION OF DISTRICT	Cllr McCabe advised that a fully costed bus plan has been submitted to the WECA Mayor. He also outlined the timetable for	

	WARD COUNCILLORS	and progress on the new local plan. Planning policy is holding a rural areas planning workshop later this month. Clerk stated that Cllr Orme will be attending.	
10	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Tuesday 24 October 7.30 pm Tunley Recreation Centre.		

Appendix 1 – Payments for Approval

Dunkerton & Tunley Parish Council Payments for approval at meeting 7 September 2023

Payments to Ratify

31 July	Standing Order	Clerk's Net Salary July	£536.43
19 August	Direct Debit	Street Lighting July	£10.47
31 August	Standing Order	Clerk's Net Salary August	£536.43

Payments for Approval

7 September	Bank Transfer	Clerk's Expenses June/July	£95.22
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