

DEAN PRIOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held on

MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2021 at 7.00pm. in the Village Hall in Dean Prior

Present – Cllrs Chew , Thorn , Bailey (Chair) and Rutley
Disc Cllrs Peter Smerdon & Cllr Guy Pannell & C Cllr Daniel Thomas and Cathie Pannell DNPA
the Clerk , Karen Gilbert

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

Full reports available from the Clerk - all reports circulated to Councillors in advance

SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL - Cllr Guy Pannell

The situation continues to be challenging, the current difficulties faced by many Councils across the country around staffing levels, particularly drivers, continue to impact on FCCs ability to collect our waste and recycling. Please continue to register missed collections through the system online or by phone, as this will assist in holding our contractors to account.

The brown bin service remains suspended and In the light of FCC's ongoing staffing issues the Executive has taken the decision that it will not resume until the Spring. Sustainable South Brent is happy to accept garden waste at their composting centre at The Marsh on Sunday mornings. It can also be taken to Devon County Council recycling centres.

Several SHDC councillors have been on a tour of Chelson Meadow Materials Recovery Facility (MURF) at Plymouth, where residents' co-mingled (mixed together) recycling is taken to be sorted and recycled. This gave a wider insight and understanding of these materials' journey from the kerbside, the sorting process and showed the high quality materials that our residents are involved in producing. We can reassure residents that everything is properly and efficiently recycled, and the sorted and baled waste is sold on for further reprocessing. None goes to landfill.

DNPA

DARTMOOR CELEBRATES 70 YEARS

This week (30 October) marks the 70th anniversary of Dartmoor being designated a National Park. Dartmoor was one of the original band of 4 National Parks to be designated in England and Wales – the Peak District, Lake District and Snowdonia were the other three. They may, at times, benefit from a higher profile but Dartmoor is and will always be a special place for many.

STAFF CHANGES

The Authority is going through a period of considerable change and increased pressure on many staff. We are saying goodbye to lots of valued colleagues who have contributed so much to our achievements, some taking retirement while others are moving on to new opportunities. We hope that all of these colleagues will be able to look back and reflect on their part in sustaining Dartmoor as a living landscape for millions to enjoy. We are also saying hello to lots of new colleagues and need to take time to make them welcome – they will help take the Authority forward.

BYELAWS CONSULTATION

The consultation process on a proposed review of DNP Byelaws closes on 1st November. To date there have been over 2000 responses, these will be considered by Officers and Members over the next few weeks.

Highways – 20mph zones:

At October's full Council, a motion was moved as follows:

In response to the growing demand for safer vehicle speeds in town and village centres and along residential roads, this Council will now consider further applications for 20mph pilot schemes that can be implemented in parallel with the Newton Abbot pilot scheme to ensure a more timely response to supporting Active Travel measures that need reduced vehicular speeds to be implemented and effective.

Unfortunately, it was defeated and the Newton Abbott pilot scheme, which as been discussed for over 2 years and is yet to start, remains something of a stumbling block.

Instead, *Elected Members are invited to make representations for communities that they would wish to see considered for 20 mph speed limits pending any change in County Policy.*

I would urge the Parish Council to continue to suggest such any areas and I will attempt to lobby on your behalf.

21/11/01 Apologies for absence - Cllr Wetherall

21/11/02 Approval of Minutes

To consider , amend as agreed by the Council (if required) & approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th October 2021 - **APPROVED**

21/11/03- Declarations of Interest None from Cllrs **Dispensation requests** - None

21/11/04 Clerks Report -

The Clerk confirmed that she had written regarding the path along the A38 to the Church - but had received no reply

She also stated that she had requested a revised quote for the bus shelter by text and phone but had yet to receive it

21/11/05 Planning - No planning matters to discuss

21/11/07 - Finance

a) Approval of cheques - APPROVED

Karen Gilbert - expenses/ home allowance/admin/mileage/ Balance of wages. £97.65

b) To note spend to date and suggested budget for 2022/23

The Clerk presented the spend to date for 21/22 and the estimated spend to the end of the year - 31/3/22 . It was **AGREED** that the previous precept had been correctly set and that there was a potential underspend of £156

The Clerk presented a draft budget to the Council - it having been circulated to all in advance .

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the budget . (Bailey / Thorn / Chew for - Rutley against)

It was **NOTED** that there would be an increase in precept from £4500 to £5250 This represented an increase to a band D property of approx 18p per week.

It was **RESOLVED** that the precept for 2022/23 be set at £5250 (Bailey / Thorn / Chew for - Rutley against)

21/11/08 Highway matters The Council briefly discussed water run off from fields and the effect on the highways and properties

21/11/09 - Parish Bus shelter - No revised quote received to date .

ACTION ; CLLR CHEW TO CHASE FOR QUOTE

21/11/10 - PC admin - The Clerk confirmed that she was seeking local contractors to quote for a new noticeboard . The current one measures 2 x 3ft - portrait style . Cllr Bailey advised that he may be able to obtain a quote

ACTION ; CLLR BAILEY TO SEEK QUOTE

21/11/11- Correspondence - correspondence had been emailed during the month.

21/11/12 Councillors business for next agenda - 20mph speed limit potential sites

21/11/13 - Date/time of next meeting Monday 6th December 2021 at 7pm

21/11/14 - Exclusion of Press and Public

The Council RESOLVED that in accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the agenda item 15 , owing to the confidential nature of the business to transacted and the public interest would not be served in disclosing that information.

21/11/15 - Complaint

The Chair read out the complaint and it was RESOLVED that no further action was required

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40 pm