

Draft Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of Dinton Parish Council held on 15th September 2020.

This meeting was held using zoom.

Present; Cllrs Fry, Grover, MacKinder, Rowitt and Southern.
In attendance; Mrs C Churchill (Clerk). Wiltshire Councillor Mrs Wayman.
No members of the public.
Apologies; None
Not present; Cllrs Bennie and Smith

- There were no questions or statements from members of the public.
- Report from Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Wayman, Nadder and East Knoyle.

There was an increase of 26% on recycling and 27% on household waste collected in April and May which is most likely some collections were a day later than scheduled.

There is a questionnaire on facebook page regarding booking for the HRC.

Currently over 12,000 residents are claiming benefits which is up from 4,000, this will affect the council tax base.

Cllr Rowitt opened the meeting at 7.37pm

1113 There were no apologies for absence.

Dinton PC noted that Cllrs Bennie and Smith were not present – no apologies had been received.

Local Government Act 1972 s85(1)

1114. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 21st July 2020.

Dinton PC resolved to approve the previously circulated Minutes which were taken as read, without amendment, and will be signed by the Chairman.

Local Government Act 1972 sch 12, para 41(1)

1115. Declarations of Interest.

- (i) Cllrs to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests related to any matters to be considered in this agenda that do not appear in the Cllr's register of interests.
None declared.
- (ii) In accordance with the Dispensation Procedure, any requests for a grant of dispensation must be submitted prior to this meeting.
None received.

Cllrs were reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure their register of interests on the WC website is kept up to date. *Localism Act 2011. S 33.*

1116. Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under. Not required.

Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 and Local Government Act 1972 ss100

1117. Planning

(i) **To consider how to respond to any planning applications** made after the publication of this agenda. One application has been received.

20/06986. Stoney Meadow Workshops, Hindon Lane.

Permanent siting of ancillary office associated with existing B8 storage buildings and yard approved under 18/02752/FUL for a temporary period.

A virtual Planning Meeting will be held at 6.15pm on 22nd September to consider the application and make a response. Clerk to circulate agenda. Clerk

(ii) **To receive an update on planning matters previously considered by Dinton PC.**

The application for a shed at Station Hse was approved with conditions.

The application at Farthings remains undetermined.

Dinton PC noted this information.

(iii) Tree applications. To note any tree applications received after the publication of this agenda. There were none.

(iv) Delegated Power regarding tree application. No applications to fell a tree have been received. To note that the Clerk has not used the delegated power to respond to a tree application. Dinton PC noted this information.

(v) Tree applications not stating the reason for the felling of a tree.

To consider whether Dinton PC should object to any tree application that does not clarify the reason for felling the tree on the application form.

Dinton PC discussed the issue and agreed that the Clerk should check with the LPA why an application can be validated without a reason for felling the tree being given. Clerk

To be discussed at the next meeting.

Ongoing

1118. To respond to the current consultation on the changes to the Planning system. Information on this consultation has been previously circulated.

Dinton PC resolved not to respond to this consultation but reminded Cllrs they may respond as individuals if they wished.

1119. Highways.

(i) To receive an update on issues raised at the last meeting regarding speeding.

A message was posted on the DPC facebook page asking for volunteers to join the working group and feed back to Dinton PC. 3 volunteers came forward and will meet before the October meeting.

Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Wayman reported that Wiltshire Police is getting a new mobile enforcement vehicle which will be used in areas based on data.

Cllr Southern is meeting the new Head Teacher at Dinton Primary and will discuss traffic speed, this will be reported back at the next meeting.

(ii) To consider a request for apply for a speed limit along the C64 by Oakley Farm.

A request was received via the parish council website.

Dinton PC resolved to request a metrocount on the C64 near dwellings or entrance to the industrial park.

Depending on the results of the metrocount the options available will be considered at a future meeting.

(iii) To clarify whether the CSW data may be shared with the parish council and road safety group.

No update has been received, to remain on the agenda.

Ongoing

(iv) Parking on St Mary's Road. During busy times the National Trust car park is full and cars park on St Mary's Road causing issues for local residents. To consider what could be done to address this issue.

Dinton PC resolved that a letter is written to the National Trust requesting the car park is enlarged as cars parking on the carriageway are causing an obstruction and may cause difficulties for emergency vehicles to pass. Clerk

1120. Daffodils. Cllr Southern reported that this is unlikely to happen this year due to the covid restrictions. There has been quite a lot of interest and it is an ongoing project and aiming for Autumn 2021.

Cllr Southern is also in discussion with the National Trust.

Ongoing

1121. Wildflowers in Dinton. To receive an update on the findings following a meeting with interested parties. Cllr Southern reported that three parishioners met with the lady from Wilton to discuss this. A potential site has been identified within Dinton Recreation Ground and a request has been made, currently waiting for a response.

If successful then the group may approach to Dinton PC for a grant.

Ongoing

1122. Reinstatement of the notice board opposite Spracklands. This has been put up but is in the wrong location.

Clerk to contact Abbots and ask them to reposition the noticeboard after checking with the landowner.

Dinton PC resolved that it will pay all costs for the repositioning.

There is also an issue with the Spracklands noticeboard lock.

Cllr Rowitt will check the doors and lock.

Cllr Rowitt

Finance

1123. To respond to a question from a parishioner.

Why does Dinton PC bring forward £11,000 each year when those funds could be put to good use. Cllrs are asked to consider the information provided each year for the November meeting regarding budgets, precepts and reserves.

(i) To respond to the question.

Dinton PC has, for many years held small reserves to avoid large increases in the annual precept particularly for highway improvements where the parish is expected to contribute 25% of the cost. It also has to hold general reserves in case there is an issue with the payment of the precept, the general reserve should be 6 – 9 months of expenses (not inc grants, this equates to a general reserve of £4400 – 6500).

At the end of the financial year (31st March) Dinton PC held ringfenced reserves totalling £7,367.45 which left a general reserve of £2,677.90

(ii) To consider adopting a reserves policy.

Dinton PC requested that drafts are circulated and this is considered at the next meeting. Clerk Clerk explained the drafts would be from other councils not drafted for Dinton PC specifically.

1124. Year ending 31st March 2021.

(i) To note the balance of the accounts.

Opening balance	£10,045.35
Total receipts	£ 6,954.33
Total payments	£ 6,072.34
Balance	£10,927.34

This includes ring fenced / committed monies totalling £7,367.45, leaving an available balance of £3,559.89

Dinton PC resolved to note the information, there were no questions.

Cllr Rowitt confirmed he has a printed page stating the accounts overview and that the balances shown match the balances on the spreadsheet.

Dinton PC resolved to note this information.

(ii) To note the current budget / spend

Dinton PC resolved to note the current budget / spend, there were no questions.

(iii) To consider ring fenced monies and vire across if required.

Dinton PC resolved to vire the £1500 currently allocated to weed clearance to the general highways reserves.

(iv) To note payments made since the last meeting. None made.

(v) To authorise terms of expenditure, as detailed in the schedule of payments.

Dinton PC resolved to authorise payments totalling £882.93

1125. Locations for the two new litter bins within the parish. Last year Dinton PC purchased two new litter bins but the location for these bins needs to be confirmed.

(i) To agree a location for the first litter bin.

Dinton PC resolved that the preferred location would be at the Church side of the entrance to the NT car park. Clerk to check with WC and the Church. Clerk

(ii) To agree a location of the second litter bin.

Dinton PC resolved that the preferred location would be by the bus stop at Spracklands. Clerk to contact WC for permission. Clerk

(iii) To agree that Dinton PC will enter a contract for the emptying of the two litter bins.

This will be confirmed once the locations of the bins has been agreed.

1126. Dog fouling within the parish. Earlier this year it was agreed to contact Dinton Primary School about designing posters to discourage dog fouling. Due to covid-19 this was put on hold.

Cllr Southern will raise this at her meeting with the Head Teacher later this week. Cllr Southern

1127. Dinton Phone Box Library. This needs a little attention.

Dinton PC agreed that an additional shelf is required.

(i) To agree a notice is required informing users how the library works.

Dinton PC resolved that a notice will go into the village newsletter explaining about leaving books

(ii) To agree to purchase stickers. This is ongoing as prices are required.

Ongoing

1128. Dinton Covid-19 volunteer group.

Cllr Grover reported the group is currently inactive but ready to be restarted when required.

1129. Emergency Plan for Dinton. No update was available.

Clerk to check if there is a new WC template for the Civil Emergency Plan.

Clerk

1130. Clerk's Report. To note the following.

CATG meeting to be held virtually on 9th September at 2pm.

SWWAB meeting to be held virtually at 6.30pm on 30th September.

Wiltshire Council has launched a new website

Various WC covid updates

Reopening of libraries – currently limited to the larger libraries, full details are on the WC website.

Webinar on planning and climate change

Dinton PC resolved to note the information above. There were no questions.

1131. To receive an update on actions from the meeting held 21st July 2020.

1. (1106) The audit papers were signed and the certificate has been sent to the External Auditor.

All other actions appear as agenda items.

1132. To note items for the agenda of the next meeting. Cllrs are reminded that all agenda items require a title, description and proposal.

All agenda items must be received no later than 9am on Thursday 8th October.

The information regarding agenda items was noted.

1132. To confirm the date of the next meeting which is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 20th October 2020.

The date above is the next full meeting of Dinton PC.

Dinton PC will hold a planning meeting on 22nd September at 6.15pm.

Cllr Rowitt closed the meeting at 9.08pm