

DOWN ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 14th April 2015 in the Village Hall

Present: Mr J. Tucker, Mrs J. Giles-Bullock, Mr M. Austin, Mr D. Skelton, Mr A. Clark, Mr D. Cooper and Mr A. Martin [Clerk]

Apologies were received from Mr J. Daw, Mrs M. Squires

[98] The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 10th February 2015 which had been circulated electronically were agreed by all present & signed by the Chairman. The Meeting scheduled for 10th March had been cancelled.

Matters Arising

[99] Village Hall. Application had been made to the TAP fund for a grant towards restoration of the flooring.

[100] Village Green. There were plans to roll the grass. Kerb for part of green suggested.

[101] Car Parking. Complaint about an untaxed car taking up two places.

[102] Website had received over 10,000 hits.

FINANCE

[103] FINANCIAL REPORT 14/04/2015

Current Account balance as at 30/1/2015 £8918.34

INCOME

None

EXPENDITURE [Cheques Cashed]

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| 298: Clerk's Salary [Apr – Sept]..... | £285 |
| 301: Information Commissioner [Annual Fee]..... | £35 |
| Transfer into the Reserve Account..... | £5000 |

Cheques not yet cashed: None

Current Account balance as at 1/4/2015 £3598.34

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| Business Reserve Account as at 6/2/2015 | £ 1,515.61 |
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| Interest [Feb]..... | £0.07 |
| Interest [Mar]..... | £0.29 |
| Transfer from Current Account..... | £5,000 |

Balance as at 7/4/2015.....£6,515.97

Correspondence

[104] Suggestion received that there should be a pavement along A377 in front of Woolsgrove. A parishioner had nearly been hit by a car.

Planning

[105] Prior notification for the change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling under Class MB(a) Land and Building at NGR 274137 104372 West of Down St Mary Ref. No: 15/00508/PNCOU

The Parish Council had a series of objections to this proposal. The barn was not suitable for conversion, was in use as an agricultural building, there were problems over the footpath, sewage and visibility at the exit from the property. In addition the barn can be seen from many points in the village & neighbouring areas.

[106] Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of a dwelling in non-compliance with agricultural occupancy condition (f) of planning permission 4/23/78/1649, and adjoining land as domestic garden for a period in excess of 10 years. Glenmore Morchard Road Crediton Devon EX17 5LS Ref. No: 15/00503/CLU

The Parish Council objected to this application. They thought the non-compliance should not have been allowed.

Any Other Business

[107] Extension at 8 Glebelands: Presumed to be within permitted development.

[108] For sale sign at 1 Beech Drive. This had been planted on land belonging to the Parish Council and should be moved.

[109] Risk Assessment: Resolved to continue the risk assessment for another year.

[110] Fir Trees at Woodcarvers needed cutting to preserve safe visibility.

[111] Trees at Wisteria Cottage needed attention. The eucalyptus tree needed surgery.

[112] Solar Farm proposed by Lightsource. Thought it would need a new connection.

[113] Internet seemed slow at the moment. There were outages which affected business.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th May at 8:00 pm.