Duntisbourne Parish Council

Annual Parish Assembly

May 24th 2022

At 8pm in the Village Hall

The Annual Parish Assembly, organised by the Parish Council, is an opportunity for any resident to come along and hear what the Parish Council and other organisations in the village have achieved in the last year, and to make suggestions on what you would like to see as priorities for the next year.  It is an informal meeting and a real opportunity for your voice and views to be heard.

1. **Attendance recorded as Parish Councillors** **Jane Edwards, Rupert Lane**, **Eammon Cuthbert**, **Valerie Dyson**, **Jamie Eykyn, Julian Weston** – District Councillor Julia Judd **2members of the public**
2. **Apologies for absence to be recorded**, County Councillor Harris, Parish Councillor Richard Bliss
3. **Minutes of previous Parish Meeting held on 25th May 2021**.
4. **Report received from the Chairman of the Parish Council** on its activities over the last year and its plans for the future (distributed via email and to be attached to minutes)
* Discussion on flow of River Dunt took place
* Long Ford – GCC have appointed new contractor and will be meeting on site. PC has stated that it wishes it to be repaired. It was stated that CC Harris will send letters to all residents to seek views
* Parish Councillor Dyson has liaised with Cotswold Wardens and achieved the replacement of fingerposts signs
* Thanks were given to previous Clerk and new Clerk
* Thanks to previous Chair of Council

**Going forward aims**

* To review Community Emergency Plan
* Budget setting taking place in November will need to consider election charges being passed on from CDC
1. **Report received from County Councillor** **Harris** (read out in AGM and key points highlighted again and to be distributed via email/minutes)
* Challenging first year with a lot of focus on Highway matters
* Visit by Highways Manager with District Councillor was arranged
* Highway Local budget has been used for some local projects
1. Greenpit Lane
2. HGV signage
3. New Grit Bin
4. Countywide 20mph project – speed survey in The Duntisbournes
5. Long Ford – GCC new contractor and site visit scheduled – Cllr Edwards liaising with Glos Highways- any works need to be undertaken by GCC contractors
6. Build Back better funding noted

 **Public comments** – wished for the Long Ford to be reinstated. It was also stated that the Long Ford is the best example in the Country and Historic England could be involved in the longer term. This would have implications for vehicle traffic

**Parish Council decision was to get the Long Ford repaired as a priority and will remain the priority**

1. **Report received from District Councillor Judd** (distributed via email and to be attached to minutes) and gave a recap for members of the public

**Public comments- “Mobile signal blackspot**” DC Judd explained that CDC cannot make progress as the suppliers are only interested in the next phase of 5G

**Smart meter installation (E-on) may be useful in this context**

**Soft Plastics are not being recycled by CDC** DC Judd explained that CDC cannot recycle soft plastics due to commercial considerations at the present time

1. Representatives from other organisations present were invited to report.

Duntisbourne Neighbourhood Watch representative gave a verbal update including type of alerts and during lockdown was moving towards community noticeboard type of messages, PCSO change noted – **to be invited to PC meeting** (Cirencester rural north)

Now Cotswold Neighbourhood watch group liaising

Councillors proposed a vote of thanks for the work done

1. Open discussion on other priorities for the Parish - none

Meeting closed at 20.44