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**THE DUNTISBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL VILLAGES MEETING**

**Minutes of the 148th Meeting on Tuesday 20th May, 2014 at 7.00
In Duntisbourne Abbots Village Hall**

Present: Mr R. Lane, Mr R. Carver, Mr W.J. Eykyn, Mrs J.R. Edwards,
Mr J. Weston, Mrs E. Whitaker. Mrs C. Ling (Clerk)
Apologies: Mr R. Bliss

Mr Nigel Robbins – County Councillor
Mr Nick Parsons – District Councillor

Also present: Mr and Mrs F. Drake, Mrs. J. Ash and Mr R. Gittins

Mr Nigel Robbins was welcomed as our new County Councillor. He gave a Report which covered the A417 Loop scheme of which he is in favour. Highways repairs are now covered by AMEY PLC but too soon to see if an improvement having a national company. There is a small budget for 'traffic' use and one for Public Health schemes such as swimming lessons, fitness classes. RDL wondered about a First Aid course or a Defibrillator. As a Town Councillor, Mr Robins talked of the large Chesterton development and the effect it might have on Cirencester. Regarding potholes, RC asked if CDC could provide materials for people to fill local potholes themselves, but it was agreed difficult to achieve a good result without correct equipment.

Mr Nick Parsons talked of the success of UBICO Refuse Collection, and RDL commented on the staff's efficiency and politeness. Mr Parsons also talked of the A417 Loop scheme which, with support from local agencies and funding in place, is more likely to succeed than ever before. He talked of the Local Development Plan and Planning generally. JW queried 'precedent' in regard to successful applications locally. Nick Parsons also covered the Chesterton development in some detail. There are funds available for WW1 Commemoration schemes, - options were discussed, a scheme for Green Spaces to be recorded in villages, and a Youth Project that JRE utilised with good effect last year.

Minutes of the last Meeting - were approved.

Matters Arising: JRE reported **Dog Fouling** is again bad in Leer and the Clerk was asked to put signs around the villages. Chris Price had emailed inviting representatives of the PC to a meeting of Riparian owners regarding the **Daglingworth flood**, on 12th July. JRE will attend and possibly RB and JE.

Planning: No outstanding planning applications at present.

Highways: JE has been in communication with Highways concerning the flooding in the Grove and the drains being cleared – still to take place.
RC has reported serious potholes by the water trough – the Clerk to chase up.

Finance: The accounts for 2013/14, having been audited by Robert Towill, were approved before being sent to the Official Auditor. A vote of thanks was given for Mr Towill.

Any Other Business: JRE has kindly taken on the Rural Services Network on behalf of the PC and gave a short report – mainly concerning progress with regard to Broadband. JRE will attend the next Neighbourhood Co-ordination meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: Neighbourhood Co-ordination Meeting – Thurs 5th June
7.30pm at Daglinworth.
Tuesday 19th August at 7.30
Tuesday 11th November at 7.30