

DUNTISBOURNES PARISH COUNCIL

Agenda Meeting [192] held on Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7pm
At Duntisbourne Village Hall

1.	Welcome and introductions from Chair of Council
2.	Attendance recorded: Parish Councillors Jane Edwards (Chair), Julian Weston, Andrew Beckett, Michael Lowe. District Councillor Julia Judd & one member of the public (Duntisbourne NW Coordinator).
3.	Apologies for absence received from: County Councillor Joe Harris, Valerie Dyson, Samantha Scott White, Rupert Lane.
4.	There were no declarations of interests from matters on the agenda
5.	Public Session: no questions received.
6.	Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on 30 th May 2024. Council approved minutes of the AGM on that day at 8pm . Matters arising: White gates – see item 12.
7.	Council invited the report from District Councillor Julia Judd. The district council is working hard to address problems with missed bin collections. Food waste collections also missed. Late Bin collections report direct to Julia Judd (Julia.judd@cotswold.gov.uk) and CDC website. <u>A417 updates</u> . Works causing traffic disruption in some villages. <u>Planning matters</u> Councillor Judd reminded DPC that any planning matters causing concern to be raised early in the process.
8.	Clerk: update Vacancy still unfilled.
9.	Finance: External Audit notification : GL0081: Receipt of documents – notification of exempt status, 2024 Noted that PKF Littlejohn (External auditors) received and logged the notification of exempt status for the year ended 31 March 2024 submitted to us for Duntisbournes Abbots Parish Council. Responsible Finance Office [RFO] resignation accepted from Councillor Valerie Dyson. Chair to thank for her for work in this role. Council appointed new Responsible Finance Officer. Cllr Andy Beckett. Council to appoint an Independent Auditor for 2024/2025. Bank reconciliation documents previously circulated and published on website Duntisbourne Voice. Council discussed the new Finance Regulations in May. These were circulated for further scrutiny and comment. <u>The Model Financial Regulations for Local Councils 2024</u> . These were further discussed and agreed that as a Council we complied with all aspects and agreed to adopt these Financial Regulations recommended by NALC and were necessary be tailored to Duntisbourne Parish Council as appropriate for our small sized Council.
10.	Council received update on progress for New Noticeboard Duntisbourne Abbots. Duntisbourne Village Hall committee to be approached for permission to erect at VH a replacement for existing weather damaged board. Council discussed storage of PC archive materials.

11.	<p>1. Gloucestershire Association of Parish and Town Councils (GAPTC) new initiatives and Web site compliance. The initiative would see considerable extra costs and administration time, transparency currently unclear. The proposal is suggestion that all Parish Councils should adopt the domain .gov.uk; but this is not statutory. Chair to attend meeting on this issue online. DPC councillors were unanimous in support our current arrangements and the continued appreciation of the work of Paul Smith in liaising, managing and administration of the site on our behalf.</p> <p>2. Introduction of local area - Hubs; The Duntisbourne Hub 9. Chair to attend meeting on Oct 7th</p>
12.	<p>Council considered response from Highways: None received.</p> <p>Current issues:</p> <p>1 - Long Ford culvert repair previously scheduled May 2024 not completed. Collapse of previously poorly repaired wall/footpath. Further collapse noted and is now in a dangerous condition.</p> <p>2 - Duntisbourne Abbots underpass – some repair work noted. Still poor condition.</p> <p>3 - Potholes: partial repairs in D’Leer; some of which already show signs of erosion. The state of the whole length of the road through the village is in total disrepair and in a dangerous condition. It was noted that several people have fallen due to the numerous potholes. These have been reported to Highways. Council requested sight of a recent safety report (A safety Officer from Oxford had completed a safety report). Recently white lines painted in D’Leer and D’Abbots around some of the potholes. It was forcibly stated that the whole road needs to be resurfaced rather than the uneconomic short-term repairs. Chair to contact Councillor Harris and request a site meeting urgently.</p> <p>4 - White gates – D’Abbots. From item 6. Decision against proceeding further.</p>
13.	<p>Planning matters: Application: No 24/01428/FULAnnexe Abbots Hill awaiting decision.</p>
14.	<p>Defibrillator update: Loan Defibrillator tested and reported as in service June /July August /September/October. guardian J. Edwards</p>
15.	<p>Any other business: None.</p>
16.	<p>Date of next meeting 26th November 2024 at 7.00pm. Venue DVH. Meeting closed 8.30pm.</p>