

# OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Oake Parish Council meeting held at the Oake and District Hall,  
on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7.00pm

1. **PRESENT** Councillors: A Dyke (Chairman), Mrs F Dunn, J Sharland, D Roots, Mrs S Davies & Mrs L Peace. In attendance: Jill Loader (Clerk), TDBC Cllr Roger Habgood & 3 members of the public.
2. **PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME** - Issue regarding dog mess around the village was raised inspite of new notices being put up. Some dog owners need to take responsibility and pick up the mess. PC to monitor the situation.
3. **APOLOGIES** - C Bishop, SCC Cllr J Hunt
4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS** – Fern Dunn declared an interest in Planning no. 27/15/0011 and would respond as a private individual.
5. **MINUTES** - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were circulated and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record. One grammatical amendment was made under 9a).
6. **MATTERS ARISING:**
  - a) CIL Training – Fern Dunn reported the Community Infrastructure Levy training at Deane House had been very informative. Depending upon how the Affordable Housing Development progresses, Oake PC may be entitled to some funds in the future.
  - b) Adrian Dyke to be given the list of properties whose hedges are overgrown along the pathway to ask homeowners to cut them back.
  - c) Heathfield Triangle Action Group – no further news regarding broadband.
7. **MATTERS OF REPORT**
  - a) **Police Report GT021 Beat Report for June 2015**

**Crime**

    - 1 x Non-dwelling burglary – Heatherton Park – nothing stolen
    - 2 x Non-dwelling burglary – Langford Budville – nothing stolen in one, a bicycle stolen in another
    - 1 x theft – Clothes from a washing line – Bradford on Tone
    - 1 x ASB – Hillfarrance
    - 1 x Section 4 Public Order – Runnington
    - 1 x Common Assault – Langford Budville

**Calls to police**

    - 1 x Suspicious – Hele – dogs barking and figure thought to be seen in rear garden
    - 2 x concern for welfare – Nynehead & Bradford on Tone
    - 2 x Road related incidents
    - 1 x Alarm – Oake & Nynehead Primary School
    - 1 x Harassment/Threats
    - 2 x ASB – Allerford & Oake. Vehicles causing a nuisance in Oake Car Park.

**Other**

I have delivered Internet safety to Courtfields Secondary School, Yrs 7/8 and 9/10, on indecent images and sharing of those.

Speedwatch Session in Oake

Highways meeting in Langford Budville to discuss parking

Fetes attended in the area.

- b) **Shop management committee update** - Fern Dunn reported the new shop manager had started.
- c) **Village Hall Committee** – John Sharland reported the fete had raised £2,100. It had been well attended. Funds to be split between school and hall. Ground had been cleared away very well with no rubbish left.
- d) **TDBC Report** – Roger Habgood reported Taunton would be introducing a scheme for alcohol/drug free zones in parks. Did not know whether this would be introduced to Parishes. The Site Allocation and Development Plan had been signed off and was going to full council next week. TDBC were following up outstanding Enforcement Issues around the ward now there were new Enforcement Officers in place. **Mrs Peace** announced the enforcement notice relating to her mobile home on her land would be resolved by September. The mobile home had not been able to be sold, so was being broken up and disposed of.
- e) **SCC Report** – James Hunt had sent a report stating SCC would be starting a further round of ‘Listening, Learning, Changing’ roadshows – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August at Taunton Farmers Market, Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September at Wellington Food Town and Wiveliscombe on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September at the 10 Parishes Festival.

## 8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- a) **Affordable Housing Open Day** – following the open day exhibition First Step Homes had emailed a report on the returned questionnaires which the clerk read out. The Cllrs were keen to ensure the 30mph signs should be extended as far back along the road as possible. The land proposed had been the only land available. First Step Homes would be attending the September meeting to update the parish on the next steps. It appeared that this development may be more forthcoming than was originally thought. The overall result showed people were in favour.
- b) **Car Incident in Village Hall** – this had been reported and PCSO Sharon Cridlin asked for her thoughts and advice. It was agreed to carry out her suggestions and monitor the situation.
- c) **Chairman’s Awards for Service to the Community** – agreed to nominate Fern Dunn as without her support and hard work the Community Shop would not be so successful or open. Agreed for Sue Davies and Clerk to complete the nomination form and return to SCC.
- d) **Bishops Lydeard & Cothelstone Neighbourhood Plan** – pre-submission consultation - the Cllrs supported the aims and goals of the Neighbourhood Plan. Clerk to reply support.

## 9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL -

The planning application below was discussed:

- a) 27/15/0011 Variation of condition no. 10 of application 27/12/0019 to re-word the condition to allow a phased development with regard to be constructed prior to the dwellings being occupied, at Beaconstone, Hillcommon, Oake. The Cllrs agreed to continue to support this application, as it would benefit the community and eventually improve the site.

## 10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY TDBC – UPDATE – None.

## 11. FINANCE

### Payments

Clerks Salary – June	£ 200.85
Clerks expenses – June	£ 30.00
Village Hall – hire	£ 18.30
Clerks Salary & Expenses – July	£ 230.85 to be paid in August

The above payments were approved by the Parish Council.

**Receipts** – Bank interest 0.07p

**Balance of Accounts:** The balance as at 5 July 2015 was £10,215.70. The Chairman signed the bank reconciliation.

- b) **Annual Return 2014/15** – Grant Thornton had signed off the annual return with no issues to report.

**12. Footpath Officer Report** - Tim reported there was no further news regarding the bridge by The Anchor Inn, but it was hoped to put down anti-slip matting. SCC Rights of Way had announced an Adopt A Path scheme for people to take responsibility for a footpath. More details to follow. The path was still closed by the golf club.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE FOR CIRCULATION & OTHER MATTERS:**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Date of the next Parish Council meeting: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Date \_\_\_\_\_