

OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Oake Parish Council held on Thursday March 9th at 7 p.m. in Oake Village Hall

Present: Cllr Adrian Dyke; Cllr Fern Dunn; Cllr Susan Davies; Cllr David Roots; Cllr Frances Gully; Cllr Louise Peace; Mr David Gliddon (Clerk) Cllr Roger Habgood (TDBC) Cllr James Hunt (SCC) & 1 member of the public.

1 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME
None

2. APOLOGIES
PCSO Sharon Baker;

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS
Cllr Fern Dunn – Village Shop;

4. MINUTES: To approve and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th February 2017
The minutes were approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING requiring action:

- a) Parish Plan meeting update
Meeting due to be held on March 13th 3.30 - 5 p.m.in Oake Hall. Councillors & other interested parties have been invited to attend.
- b) Parish Council Facebook page – Clerk/Cllr Gully
Set up and currently has 17 people following the Page.
- c) Oake Close - Street Sign
TDBC have been contacted – unfortunately the person who deals with this is off sick. The clerk and Cllr Habgood will pursue this matter.

6. MATTERS OF REPORT:

- a) Police Report for February
No major problems although one incident of “Road Rage” had been reported and the theft of a high value motor cycle.
- b) Village Hall Committee Report
Nothing to report
- c) Village Shop Report
Cllr Dunn reported that very little had changed since the last meeting and the next meeting will be held March 23rd.
- d) TDBC Report
Cllr Habgood reported on a number of consultations that were now complete or beginning, including council mergers, pedestrianisation in Taunton & developments at Henlade and Firepool.
- e) SCC Report
Cllr Hunt reported on replacement of a junction in Taunton with a roundabout; a new 14 class school at Cades Farm near Wellington and also on the ongoing contractual dispute re: the NDR.

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION.

a) Defibrillator

After discussion it was agreed that Cllr Dunn would attend a training session on March 23rd at TDBC. It was felt that community training on “Heart Start” provided by the BHF, would possibly be more beneficial.

b) Annual Parish Meeting – April 20th 6 p.m.

The Clerk will circulate invitations to this meeting and the WI will provide refreshments.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED TO DISCUSS/APPROVE:

None

9. FINANCE -To discuss/agree the following:

No.	Item	Amount £
1.	Clerks Salary – February	£166.04
2	HMRC - tax	£34.00
3.	Taunton Deane Borough Council – new dog bin	£414.00
4.	Mr D P Gliddon – repayment of laptop purchase	£399.99
5.	Devon Assn Local Councils – Annual Conference	£72.00
	Total	<u>£1086.03</u>

All approved

Receipts: Interest £0.02

Balance of Accounts to 05/03/17

Current Account: **£9,023.94**

Reserve Account: **£2,845.49**

NS&I Account: **£0** (transfer of funds to Reserve Account & closure now effective)

- **Computer Software will be needed but on a months free trial at the moment.**

10. MATTERS OF REPORT.

1. Chairman

- Meeting with Rebecca Pow (MP) on February 14th was well attended. Main concerns were over the importance of having infrastructure in place before major developments took place.
- A complaint had been received regarding vehicles damaging The Village Green in Hillfarrance. The Clerk was asked to write to the householder reminding him of the planning conditions and inviting him to make good the damage.

2. Clerk

- Resignation of Councillor J Sharland – TDBC had been informed and residents have until April 7th to call for an election. Councillors should consider suitable co-optees. Posters to go up in and around the villages.
- Traffic Calming – the land is owned by SCC so the problematic “planter” will be removed to allow the scheme to progress
- Pension Scheme – All the necessary paperwork has now been completed and the Pension Regulator has been notified that we have no-one to put into a Pension Scheme.

11. CORRESPONDENCE FOR CIRCULATION

None

The meeting closed at 8 p.m.

Next meeting **Thursday 20th April 2017** at 7 p.m. preceded by the **Annual Parish Meeting at 6 p.m.**