

OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Oake Annual Parish Council meeting held at the Oake and District Hall,
on Thursday, 14th May 2015 at 7.10pm

1. **PRESENT** - Councillors: A Dyke (Chairman), Mrs F Dunn, J Sharland, C Bishop, Mrs L Peace & Mrs S Davies. In attendance: Jill Loader (Clerk), TDBC Cllr Roger Habgood & 2 members of the public.
2. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN** – it was proposed and seconded that Adrian Dyke be elected as Chairman which he duly accepted.
3. **DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE** – The Chairman and Councillors signed their declaration of acceptance of office form which was also signed by the Clerk. The Councillors also completed and signed the Register of Interests Form which will be sent to TDBC.
4. **PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME** - Mr Peace asked the PC what plans for the future they had for the parish and what did the PC actually do. He was unsure about the role of the PC within the local authority. The Chairman and Clerk outlined various points and informed him of what had been achieved over the years. The PC are constrained by Statutory Duties and the Precept. The public are always welcome to attend. Notices are put up and onto the website as well as the local magazine informing the community what the PC are working on.
5. **APOLOGIES** - Cllr D Roots
6. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS** – None
7. **MINUTES** - The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th April 2015 were circulated and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.
8. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - a) CIL Training – it was agreed to attend the evening session on 7th July for the Community Infrastructure Levy training at Deane House. Clerk to email numbers.
 - b) It was agreed to write a letter of thanks to Sally Woodbury for all her hard work and effort as a parish councillor.
 - c) Dog Fouling Signs – these would be put up before the next meeting around the village.
9. **MATTERS OF REPORT**
 - a) **Police Report GT021 Beat Report for April 2015**

Crime
1 x Burglary in Dwelling – Langford Budville
1 x Common Assault & Battery – Langford Budville

Calls to police
5 x Suspicious;
Chibley – male disturbed in outbuildings and cycled off.
Poole – male turned up at address, appeared under influence and acting strangely.
Nynehead – 2 young males seen pushing mini/moto up the road
(police attended after various sightings and ASB, located and seized)
Oake – Vehicle had been parked for some time, informant thought it been have been stolen.
Enquiries made, all in order.
Cold calling in the area – generators and other equipment being sold door to door

3 x Animal;
Allerford – Horse on road

Bradford on Tone – Cows on road
Chibley – Two loose dogs
All owners located and words of advice given

1 x Harassment/Threats – Allerford
1 x Road traffic – Tractors speeding in Langford Budville/Mud on the road
2 x Road Traffic Accidents – Langford Budville & Nynehead
1 x Driver under influence
2 x Concern for welfare – Ham and Nynehead

1 x ASB – Elderly female received abuse from young people in the area of Nynehead Weir.

Other

Speedwatch session held in Chibley

Travellers have recently arrived in Foxmoor Industrial Estate, Wellington, although at the time of this report being written (01/05) some if not all are now leaving the area. Several visits on a daily basis are being made, details taken, recorded and monitored.

- b) **Shop management committee update** - Fern Dunn reported the AGM was on 4th June for all members and shareholders . A new manager would be starting in a few weeks' time. It has been a tricky year for various reasons, but it was hoped this year would be better.
- c) **Village Hall Committee** – John Sharland reported the Hall's cash balance was healthy. The slide in the play area was rotten so a replacement was needed. The plant sale had raised over £500. The village fete was to be held on 4 July with the school. There would be a car boot sale at the same time but needed volunteers to help run it.

10. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- a) Heathfield Triangle Action Group Meeting – it was agreed Sue Davies and Cliff Bishop would attend this meeting which included SCC David Hall and BT representatives.
- b) Somerset Emergency Community Contacts – it was agreed to put Louise Peace and Sue Davies as contacts. Clerk to check with Sally Woodbury she is still happy to have her name on the list.
- c) SALC Training – it was agreed to email the Councillors details of any training for Councillors being provided by SALC.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL -

.The following planning applications had been received too late for the agenda. It was agreed to ask TDBC Planning if these could be discussed at the June meeting.

- a) 27/15/0009 – conversion of barn to 1no. two bedroomed dwelling at Oake Green Farm, Oake Green, Oake
- b) 27/15/0010/CM – notification of change of use under class R from agricultural to class B1 and B8 at Allerford Farm Barns, Norton Fitzwarren.

12. PLANNING APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY TDBC – UPDATE – None.

- 13. PLANNING SITE MEETING MINUTES** - The minutes of the site meeting held at Allerford Farm on 11th April to discuss application 27/15/0007 were signed as a correct record. The councillors had supported the application but with conditions, as it was felt TDBC would approve the scheme.

14. FINANCE

Payments

Clerks Salary – April	£ 200.85
Clerks expenses – April	£ 30.00
SALC membership	£ 189.17
P Archer – internal audit	£ 35.00
Broker Network – insurance	£ 265.00

It was agreed the insurance renewal would remain with Came & Company. They were recommended by SALC and had been very helpful with advice recently. It was agreed to take advantage of the long term agreement of three years again.

The above payments were approved by the Parish Council.

Receipts – The TDBC Precept for £5,191 had been received on 15 April 2015.

- a) **Year End Accounts:** the clerk had circulated the year end accounts. The balance as at 31st March 2015 were £6,224.58. Current a/c £3,395.41 Deposit a/c £1,780.51, National Savings a/c £1,048.66. The councillors approved the year end accounts as correct.
- b) **Accounting Statements – Annual Return** – the Councillors approved the accounting statements which were the yearend figures.
- c) **Annual Governance Statement – Annual Return.** The clerk read out and stated each section of the Annual Governance Statement that the council has carried out its duties correctly. This was approved.

15. **TDBC Roger Habgood** introduced himself and thanked Cliff Bishop for all his hard work and efforts over the years. He would be a hard act to follow, but hoped he could provide a service for Oake parishioners when required.

16. **SCC JAMES HUNT REPORT** – No report received.

17. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR CIRCULATION & OTHER MATTERS:** None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Date of the next Parish Council meeting: Thursday 11th June 2015.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____