

Buckland Dinham Parish Council - Meeting Minutes - 24th October 2024

Present	Cllrs: JR, AK, SB, SH, IB	Meeting Opened 19.00		
In Attendance	Cllr BClarke. Clerk DS. BClarke left the meeting after item 9a1. AK left after item 10c. IB left after item 11b.			
	Comment	Action	Date	Resolved
0.	Public Forum			
	None. Reopened at end of meeting as items had been missed.	none	n/a	n/a
1.	Apologies for Absence, consideration of reasons			
1.261	EK	none	24Oct24	y
2.	Declarations of Interest			
2.262	None.	none	n/a	y
3.	Exclusion of the Press and Public			
3.263	None.	none	n/a	n/a
4.	Minutes of the Full Council, previous Meeting			
4.264	Minutes of 12Sep2024 accepted, signed by JR	signed	24Oct24	y
5.	Chair's Announcements			
5.265	Clerk to draft a formal letter of complaint to Highways regarding the continued lack of work on trees in St Michaels Close.	DS	31Oct24	ongoing
5.266	Clerk to draft letters to Highways regarding the failure to plan for road safety and the onward impact of homes flooding due to the inadequate culvert below the A362 bridge, drainage directed up instead of downstream, lack of gullies, lack of drains north of and in Sandscross Lane, Cock road.	DS	31Oct24	ongoing
5.267	SALC have stated that there are grant funds available for some projects.	none	n/a	y
5.268	Clerk to find out what is available and send to SB, AK.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
5.269	SomersetPrepared. Org.uk have document templates available to help Communities and Homes to have Emergency Plans in place.	none	n/a	n/a
5.270	Clerk to publicise SomersetPrepared.org.uk and Rotary flood information on FB and noticeboards.	DS	31Oct24	ongoing
5.271	SH to ask Somerset Prepared for information leaflet for households, noticeboards.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
6.	Local Authority Reports			
6a.	Avon and Somerset Police			
6a.272	Nothing to report.	none	n/a	n/a
6b.	Somerset Council (SC) - Cllr Barry Clarke			
6b.273	Cllr Clarke issued a County news summary report for October prior to the meeting, circulated.	none	n/a	n/a
6b.274	Clerk to forward Boundary Review email to BC. Completed.	DS	31Oct24	y
6b.275	Advised that Wells received a grant for a bridge as part of the Strawberry Line.	none	n/a	n/a
7.	Finance			
7a.	Approve or not MS office 1 year renewal of £124 to be paid monthly			
7a.276	Approved.	DS	24Nov24	y
7b.	Approve or not Clerk's salary 22Oct-18thNov2024 (8weeks) £538.			
7b.277	Approved.	DS	24Oct24	y
7c.	Approve or not Code of Conduct training			
7c.278	£75 Approved, 3 participants.	DS	5Dec24	y
7d.	Approve or not £108 to RoSPA for playing area safety report, retrospective as paid in September			
7d.279	Approved.	none	n/a	y
7e.	Approve or not SALC subscription of £115.71			
7e.280	Approved.	DS	5Dec24	y

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8.	Local Community Networks			
8.281	Informal meeting on 28Oct2024 of Highways sub group to set priorities.	SB, JR	28Oct24	ongoing
8.282	Meeting of Highways sub group with key Highways staff.	SB, JR	Nov24	ongoing
9.	Council Reports			
9a.	Road Issues			
9a1.	Speed Indication Devices (SIDs)			
9a1.283	IB demonstrated SIDs data on new laptop.	none	n/a	n/a
9a1.284	Clerk to review MS license to see if it can be used on this new device.	DS	31Oct24	ongoing
9a1.285	Police are showing interest in some SID data. CSW co-ordinator to send info email to IB.	DS	31Oct24	ongoing
9a2.	Community Speedwatch (CSW)			
9a2.286	6 sessions completed in September. On track to complete 7 for October.	none	n/a	n/a
9b.	Village Hall			
9b.287	Running smoothly but not generating sufficient funds for operating costs and maintenance. Fees will be increased in Jan2025 to £9.50 for Village users, £14.50 to others. Longer bookings and weddings will receive some discount.	none	n/a	n/a
9b.288	Great job by Richard and Vee preparing the rear garden area for planting vegetables and fruit next year.	none	n/a	n/a
9b.289	Matt Snelgrove is booked to carefully prune the Millenium garden shrubs to reveal the view and the shrubs at the front of the Hall.	SH	1Nov2024	ongoing
9c.	Playing Fields			
9c.290	Mower has broken. Operatives are checking issues and will report to supplier.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
9c.291	£400 grant in budget has been approved to be paid immediately.	DS	31Oct24	y
9c.292	BDPFA are exploring charitable status options.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
9c.293	Training schedule, signing sheet to be produced.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
9c1.	RoSPA Report			
9c1.294	RoSPA Report being reviewed.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
9c1.295	There is a volunteer to help with the major fund raising needed to replace the play area safety surface and some equipment.	none	n	n/a
9d.	Frome Missing Link			
9d.296	Nothing further to report.	none	n/a	n/a
9e.	Parish Plan			
9e.297	Three groups have been formed following the Action Plan meeting of 18th September. These are Comms, Traffic, Travel and Transport, Amenities. Further meetings are underway.	SB	30Nov24	ongoing
9e.298	Despite feedback in the PP survey, no-one has volunteered for an Environment group.	SB	30Nov24	ongoing
9e.299	A 'Hoedown' Village weeding session is being planned. There are many safety considerations for volunteers working on or at our roadside.	SB	30Nov24	ongoing
9e.300	The Action Plan is a living document and will be on the PP website by 30Nov2024.	SB	30Nov24	ongoing
10.	Parish Clerk			
10a.	New defibrillator funds			
10a.301	Much discussion about whether more devices and their location would be of great benefit to Villagers. Clerk to resend funding email to IB to investigate.	DS, IB	5Dec24	ongoing

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10.	Parish Clerk (cont.)			
10b.	Moving to .gov.uk			
10b.302	Clerk set out benefits and likely costs of buying a .gov.uk domain. Clerk to pursue.	DS	24Oct24	ongoing
10b.303	Clerk set out status of current website and modernisation needed to support pivotal role in Village Comms. Likely £300 cost approved.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
10c.	Walkers leaflet			
10c.304	Much work has been completed especially by Corinne King, thank you. Several others have also given lots of time and content, thank you all.	none	n/a	n/a
10c.305	Final session needed to agree content, format ahead of pricing.	JR, AK	5Dec24	ongoing
10d.	Welcome (to the Village) Pack			
10d.306	Discussed at the Comms meeting. A volunteer will start preparations of a new, hardcopy version which will be replicated online.	SB	30Nov24	ongoing
10d.307	Clerk to add to the budget considerations for 2025-26.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
11.	Planning Matters			
11a.	2024/1642/TCA fell damaged tulip tree			
11a.308	No Objection.	none	n/a	n/a
11b.	Updates			
11b.309	Council are content with the Updates spreadsheet format.	none	n/a	n/a
11b.310	Clerk to prepare the same update list for 2023.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
12.	Dates of Next Meetings	All	29Feb24	ongoing
	Thursday 5Dec2024 7pm Village Hall			
12.311	16Jan2025, 27Feb2025, 10Apr2025, 22May2025, 3Jul2025.			
0.	Public Forum			
0.312	Reopened as items were not raised earlier. To be added to next agenda.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
0.313	SH reported on Tree Consultancy course. A Tree Survey is required. SH to get three quotes to cover Playing Field and Hall gardens.	SH	5Dec24	ongoing
0.314	Councillor Recruitment poster is good but needs amending. Clerk to liaise with EK.	DS	5Dec24	ongoing
	JR closed Meeting at 21.40. Thank you.			
	JR, John Reckless, AK, Alan King, SB, Sarah Barnett, IB, Ian Blair, SH, Susie Hicks, EK Elisita Kemp, DS, Diane Sleigh			
	B Clarke, Barry Clarke			