

**MINUTES OF CHILTHORNE DOMER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER 2016  
IN CHILTHORNE DOMER VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:**

Mr P Rowsell, Chairman	Mr H Tasker
Mr N Preston	Mr M Batstone
Mrs J Ferguson	

Mrs J Roundell Greene (SSDC) for part of the meeting  
Mr S Crabb (SCC) for part of the meeting  
Mrs I Meecham (Clerk)  
Ms Catherine Holloway, Village Agent

**OPEN SESSION** – Ms Holloway outlined her role as a Village Agent on behalf of the Community Council for Somerset. She asked if anyone needing her services could be put in touch with her via her e-mail: [cath@somersetcc.org.uk](mailto:cath@somersetcc.org.uk) or by phone on 079687521746. Ms Holloway hopes to attend the Post Office afternoons on Mondays occasionally.

**94. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr J Hinds, Mr K Woodman

**95. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None

**96. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** Following a minor amendment the minutes were agreed and signed.

**97. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – The Council Infrastructure Levy was agreed in November to take effect from April 2017. A full report is available on the SSDC web site. A new model for waste collection has been agreed, there will be weekly collection of all recycling which will now include plastic, small electrical goods and batteries. From October 2017 the black bins will be collected every three weeks.

Mrs Roundell Greene informed the Council that public consultation for the new Sainsburys is taking place.

The college has been loaned a full size helicopter, constructed by apprentices.

**98. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Mr Crabb reported that no information was available regarding the SIS for Tintinhull Road. As far as he is aware plans have yet to be drawn up. He noted the new flashing lights installed on Tintinhull Road as being very effective in slowing traffic. Clerk to enquire whether similar lights can be installed at Halfway.

Mr Crabb told the Council that the County were currently overspent by some £16.5m and with a further £20m to be cut from the budget next year, giving savings of £36.5m to be achieved next year which will obviously mean further cuts to services.

**99. COMMUNITY SAFETY & POLICE MATTERS-** The trailer is still parked in Main Street. Clerk to contact the PCSO again.

**100. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

a) Receipts – minor interest payment.

b) Payments – the following payments were agreed: Clerks Salary, HMRC, Grant Thornton (Audit) £120, Grant to PCC £500, Grant to Village Hall £500, Royal British Legion for poppy wreath £50, Stationery £28.37, G Melvin, bus shelter repairs £201.47, CAB £50, Miss E Meecham (temp. Parish Clerk) £50.

c) Budget Planning and Precept – deferred until the January meeting.

d) Somerset Credit Union – the Clerk agreed to obtain further information.

e) Temporary Clerk – as agreed in b) above, the Council agreed to make a payment to Miss E Meecham, the temporary clerk.

## **101. PLANNING MATTERS**

### **Applications:**

### **Decisions:**

- a) 16/03978/LBC 2 Castle Cottages, Main Street – Removal of coal store lean-to structure to rear elevation astride no.1 and no.2 Castle Cottages (Implemented) – Grant consent - Noted.
- b) 16/04144/FUL 5 Little Sammons – The erection of two replacement outbuildings – Grant Permission - Noted.
- c) 16/04547/FUL Oaklea, Tintinhull Road – change of use of land to residential garden and siting of 1 no. mobile home and 1 no. caravan for ancillary accommodation to the main house plus storage (Retrospective) – application recommended for approval with conditions contrary to the Parish Council comments. The application was referred to the Ward Member who agreed with the officer recommendation - Noted.
- d) 16/04490/FUL Stoneleigh, Main Street – erection of a first floor extension, convert store into an office, enlarge porch canopy and erection of a garden shed – Grant Permission – Noted.

### **Enforcement:**

### **Consultation on a proposed new Public Space Protection Order for public land across South Somerset**

## **102. CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) SSDC Lottery – the Council agreed they were not interested in joining a SSDC Lottery.
- b) Dependent Carers' Survey – Clerk to complete on behalf of the Council stating they were against the introduction of Dependants' Carers' allowance.

**103. TRANSPARENCY CODE – Mrs Ferguson will liaise with the Clerk**

**104. DOG BIN – Clerk to contact Street Scene again.**

## **105. HIGHWAY MATTERS**

- a) Speed Limit, Tintinhull Road. Reply received from Somerset Highways Traffic Engineer stating that he was content with the current limits.
- b) Pavement alongside A37 – reply received from Somerset Highways saying overgrown vegetation removed. The Council discussed this and agreed to write back stating that the footpath needs cutting right back to achieve a width suitable for a pushchair or wheelchair.
- c) Horse sign, Tintinhull Road. The Clerk reported that Somerset Highways were happy to remove the sign.
- d) Kings Hill – no further works have taken place.
- e) SID Camera – Mr Grabham, Somerset Highways supplied a map and photo and the Council agreed with him regarding the siting of the SID.

**106. VILLAGE HALL – Mr Hinds was unable to attend the Parish Council meeting.**

**107. RECREATION TRUST – Mr Tasker told the meeting that the works on the car park are complete, although no drainage system has been installed the surface is porous allowing for soakaway. There have been some condensation problems in the building but these have been addressed. There is to be a New Year's Eve party.**

**108. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS - None**

**NEXT MEETING – 5 January 2017, 2 February 2017**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.