

**MINUTES OF CHILTHORNE DOMER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 7 APRIL 2016 FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
IN CHILTHORNE DOMER VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT:

Mr P Rowsell, Chairman	Mr H Tasker
Mrs J Ferguson	Mr N Preston
Mr J Hinds	Mr K Woodman
Mrs J Roundell Greene	Mrs I Meecham (Clerk)

Five members of the public

OPEN SESSION

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr M Batstone, Mr Crabb
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** Following minor amendments these were agreed and signed as a true record.
4. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Given to Annual Parish Assembly
5. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Mr Crabb did not attend the meeting.
6. **COMMUNITY SAFETY & POLICE MATTERS** – It was reported that the Church had been entered and the key stolen. There have also been burglaries in Kings Hill. There was a discussion regarding speed on Main Street, Tintinhull Road and the A37. The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by the Traffic Engineer, Somerset Highways to arrange a site meeting.
7. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
 - a) Receipts
 - b) Payments – Clerks Salary, HMRC.
 - c) New bank mandate. Unfortunately Mr Preston has still to complete the mandate.
8. **PLANNING MATTERS**

Applications: None
Decisions: None
Enforcement: None
9. **CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE** - None
10. **HIGHWAY MATTERS**
 - a) The Clerk told the Council she had written and received a reply from Chris Weeks, Assistant Highway Service Manager, Somerset Highways regarding all the items brought up at the previous meetings. Overgrown hedge alongside A37 – being inspected. Broken direction sign – Traffic Engineer to discuss during site visit. Overgrown T junction sign – now cleared and OK. Relocation of horse warning sign – with Traffic Engineer. Sunken trench in Chilthorne Hill – mended. Kings Hill – inspected and no further works planned. The Council decided they were not happy with the response regarding Kings Hill and asked the Clerk to write to the Highway Service Manager.
 - b) Trailer parked in Main Street – The Clerk told the Council she had contacted Yarlington who state they have no properties on Main Street. It was agreed the property address was probably Little Sammons. Clerk to contact Yarlington again.

c) Speeding on Tintinhull Road. A reply has been received from Ceara Sturt who states that speed enforcement will continue to take place on Tintinhull Road and, if possible, on a Sunday morning. The Clerk has also written to the Church via Mr Melvin who confirmed this had been raised.

11. VILLAGE HALL – Mr Hinds told the Council he had attended his first meeting on 14 March and would forward the minutes. Maintenance works are ongoing and will include a plaque thanking Mr Griffiths for all his hard work on behalf of the hall. The Hall Committee were interested to hear about the proposed new web site.

RECREATION TRUST – Report given to Annual Assembly. The Recreation Trust have enquired whether the proposed works could be carried out under the auspices of the Parish Council to avoid payment of VAT. The Clerk responded that unfortunately this was not allowed.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS

Mr Melvin told the Council that the Church are doing 'Clean for the Queen' this weekend. Materials for the maintenance of the bus shelter are due to arrive tomorrow.

NEXT MEETINGS – 19 May 2016 (due to elections on 5 May 2016 and Clerk's Annual Leave) (Election of Officers and Annual General Meeting).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.