

Dartmoor Forest Parish Council



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Short Councillor Notes for the Parish Council Meeting at 1930 on 9 September 2014 in Princetown Community Centre.

Alison will chair the meeting.

Ann Inman will act as Clerk for the meeting.

Hexworthy/Huccaby Ward: Cllr Alison Geen	Princetown Ward: Cllr Emma Derham* Cllr Jackie Gee* Cllr Gregg Manning Cllr Cliff Palmer	Cllr Wendy Stones Cllr Paul Turnbull* Cllr David Worth
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* Hard copy as well as email.

1. Apologies.

I have apologies from Emma and Gregg.

2. Declarations of Interest

No amendments have been reported to date.

3. Minutes of the last meeting.

Under Public Library Sub-Group: school years amended to 'years 4 & 5' from 'years 4, 5 & 6'.

4. Police Matters.

I have not received a Police report. I spoke to Mark Canvin at the Chagford Show and it is clear neighbourhood policing as we knew it is no longer feasible. The PCSO numbers have reduced significantly through natural wastage and no recruiting. The remaining PCSOs spend much of their time in support of their police colleagues and Mark could not commit to providing a monthly report or to attending meetings. He is aware of recent issues discussed by DFPC.

Alison Geen may wish to update the meeting on Holne New Bridge.

5. Repairs, Maintenance & Highways

Updates from councillors.

Surface dressing of B3357 traffic orders issued.

Station Cottages road by DNPA car park – see correspondence and previous minutes.

New Highways Website & Lengthsman programme – see correspondence.

Devon Highways Parish & Town Council Conference 2014 – see correspondence. Do councillors wish to attend?

South West Resilience seeking investment in transport network – see correspondence. Does DFPC wish to write letters in support? Encourage SW Resilience to support Okehampton-Tavistock railway?

6. Review of Code of Conduct

Does DFPC wish to update its Code of Conduct in light of amendments to WDBC's? See correspondence.

7. Vodafone OPEN SURE SIGNAL

See correspondence - can this be utilised for Postbridge, Bellever and Hexworthy? Interfaces with broadband speed provision.

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8. Reports from Committees, Sub- Groups and Special Interests.

Councillors are requested to forward their briefings by email in advance of the meeting. This agenda item then becomes 'any questions' rather than 'reading the briefing' to help with meeting time management.

Community Centre	Wendy S	see correspondence
Pavilion Youth Club	Wendy S	
Parking Committee	David	
Prinetown Primary School	Wendy W	
Emergency Planning Sub-Group	David	
Public Library Sub-Group	Wendy S	
Parish Plan Sub-Group	Alison	
Play Area Sub-Group	Cliff	
Prinetown Toilets Sub-Group	Clerk	
Postbridge Village Hall	Val	see correspondence
Fire & Rescue service	Paul	DFPC thanks for hosing down telephone box
Food bank	Wendy S	
Emergency Committee	Clerk	

9. Postbridge Village Hall

Further to Val's report, Carrie Jost has emailed me:

"The village Hall committee is nearing the end of our Feasibility Study, which is looking into the possibility of funding the extension to the existing hall. We have been fortunate to get financial help with doing this from DNPA. The planning permission we were granted in 2011 has now expired and we are in the position of having to reapply - from scratch. I have emailed Mike Gilbert, the architect who put in the previous application. I am emailing you to see if the Parish Council would be prepared to put in the reapplication to the Planning Authority (DNPA)."

DFPC may wish to submit the re-application on behalf of Village Hall as this will reduce their costs from £195 to £97.50.

DFPC may also wish to consider whether to donate the £97.50 in costs, bearing in mind this year DFPC have already donated £400 for new sign post and paid £97.50 for the car park planning application.

If DFPC decide to cover the planning application costs, DFPC may wish to seek assurances that all remaining planning issues are covered on the one application to avoid any drip-feed of future requests, all at £97.50.

10. Reports from other meetings

Southern Links 18 September. There is only one TAP fund application: Vehicle Activated Signs for Chillaton and Lifton. DFPC may wish to support this application.

11. Progress reports on previous actions, not on the Agenda

Defibrillators. The telephone kiosk in Hexworthy is now leased to DFPC. I have bought a cheap consumer unit and adapted it for the 24V transformer and will install the cabinet when fit to do so (or let someone else do it sooner). Professional window stickers are subject to minimum cost criteria (~£40) so I will print and laminate our own signs (sunk cost).

The second cabinet has been received on our behalf by Bere Ferres Parish Clerk and is ready for collection. I have not approached Gerald Smerdon owing to his family circumstances. The defibrillators remain at Middle Merripit and Huccaby Farms.

Mortar War Memorial granite setts. No action since last meeting. If WI wish to progress soon, they could buy the mortar for cash (so I can still reclaim VAT) and be reimbursed next month.

Dartmoor Classic Sportive Wash-up. See correspondence. DFPC may wish to seek a role in considering the Event Management Plan and Risk Assessment for next year's event with the Teignbridge Safety Advisory Group (TSAG).

Banking arrangements. No action since last meeting.

Traffic Regulation Order. The consultation period ended on 21 August but I have no feedback from Highways as yet.

Planning application for Football Club. See planning agenda item.

Grass cutting contract. No action since last meeting and no invoice received from Mike Druett. I am unclear whether he is behind with the work or paperwork only.

Investigate grants for a skate park. No further action to date.

Outline plans for Play Area improvements Phase 3. As planned, no further action pending Emma Derham's availability.

Approach local businesses for chargeable links and adverts. No action since last meeting.

12. Planning applications

a. The current status is:

With the Parish Council	0459/14	Improvements to Princetown Football Pitch
Neighbouring Parish, potentially impacting DFPC	0351/14	Blackdown Piper Farm DFPC has objected
Recent DNPA decisions		-
With DNPA	0400/14	Erection of agricultural building Dunnabridge Farm
Awaiting enforcement action	0164/07	Beardown Farm un-authorized chalet. Clerk is awaiting update from Jo Burgess.

Princetown councillors have all recommended support for 0459/14. The suggestion to link PCC and PFC car parks is unfortunately not feasible.

The Duchy have summarised their proposals for residential development in Princetown – see correspondence. Do councillors wish to input at this stage; either on proposals or outstanding questions?

13. Correspondence

Correspondence has been uploaded to the website. The more significant papers are:

Moretonhampstead Hospital.
WDBC Mobile Website
Our Plan Town & Parish Workshop 26 September – do councillors wish to attend?
Community Council of Devon Village Green
Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment
DCC Road Warden Scheme
Teignbridge Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule
Lack of applications for grants – message passed to Warren Homden for Football Club

14. Financial management

a. Cheques to be approved this month:

793	A Jaques Litter Picking	£	53.65
795	Wendy Stones – postage expenses	£	7.15

b. **Bank Reconciliation.**

Balance on August Statement	£ 21059.00
Outstanding Income	
Precept paid 2 Sep 14	£ 8,679.50
Outstanding Cheques	
Nil	£ 0.00
Reconciled Total	£ 29738.50

c. **Forecast of Outturn.** This has not been updated this month, but is within £7.15 of the forecast reported last month.

15. Urgent decisions since the last meeting

None.

16. Any Other Business

Limited to the exchange of information

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17. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be at 1930 13 October 2014 at Princetown – **NOT** Hexworthy.