

Trull Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Memorial Hall, Church Road, Trull
on Monday 12th December 2011

Present: Mrs J Wooldridge (Chairman)

Mr G Hewett, Mr S French, Mr N Hancock (part), Mr W Hawkins,
Mrs A Hudson, Mrs S Khattab, Mrs D Luke, Mr P Parris and Mr C
Ralph, together with eighteen Members of the Public.

In attendance: Rev Dr Youings
PC Charles Gear – Community Beat Officer
Mrs A Harding - Clerk

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting the Chairman invited questions from members of the public that were not related to the Agenda.

The issue of traffic congestion at the Post Office in Church Road was raised and the suggestion was put forward that a one way system off Honiton Road into Church Road would go some way towards solving this.

199/11 **Apologies for Absence**

Mr Hancock would be arriving late due to other commitments. There were no other Apologies for Absence.

200/11 **Declarations of Interest**

Mrs Wooldridge declared an interest as a neighbour of the Parish Rooms and advised that Mr Hewitt would take over as Chair when this item was discussed.

201/11 **Chairman's Report**

Mrs Wooldridge reported that:

- The new bridge over the weir was due to be installed on Wednesday 14th December and work completed before Christmas. A Grand Opening was proposed for January.
- It had been reported that horse riders were using Poke Lane. The Chairman had spoken to those concerned and there should be no further occurrences.

202/11 **Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman subject to the following amendments:

- Mrs Hudson was present at the meeting
- Minute 182/11 – the VAT figure should be £4,448 and not £44,448
- Minute 190/11 – this should read 'towards Staplehay before the Dipford Road turning'.

203/11 **Matters for Report**

Mr Hewitt reported that the lawn mower had been serviced by Mr Shattock adding that, as it was no longer required, consideration should be given to selling it, possibly in the spring.

204/11 **Planning**

Mrs Hudson and Mr Ralph reported on the following applications received from TDBC for the Council to consider: -

- 11/0044** - 20 Church Road, Trull
- Full** - Application for the erection of a single storey extension.
There were no objections from neighbours.
- Resolved** - To support the application

- 11/0036** - The Old Rectory, Trull

Full - Approval of reserved matters for the erection of one dwelling together with parking and turning area. The original application was approved and there were no significant changes to that application.

Resolved - To support the application
- 11/0041** - The Old Rectory, Trull

Full - Application for the erection of a double garage

Resolved - To support the application.
- 11/0039** - Parish Rooms/Old Village Hall, Church Road, Trull

- Application for the erection of a replacement community hall and alterations to car parking for All Saints Church at Parish Rooms/Old Village Hall.

It was agreed that the plans had architectural merit and that the existing Parish Rooms were overdue for replacement. The plans have been to TDBC planning twice and alterations made. The latest costing was £750,000.

Several issues were raised, the main one being the loss of parking. Rev Youings confirmed that TDBC did not want to put in the parking spaces outside the Parish Rooms which were in the original application.

Residents in Church Road opposite the site were concerned that the proposed meeting room would overlook their houses and there would be a significant loss of light into their properties. Rev Youings told them that the installation of frosted glass was being considered.

- **Mr Hewitt proposed that the Parish Council were happy to support the application with the request to TDBC that they include 'drop off' points in the proposed plans for deliveries and for disabled visitors to disembark. The proposal was seconded by Mr Ralph.**

The Clerk reported that no decisions had been received from TDBC.

205/11 **Police Update**

PC Gear reported that there had been a spate of thefts from motor vehicles and two 18 year olds had been apprehended. Their homes had been searched and property returned to the rightful owners. He reminded people that no property should be left in vehicles.

Two males had been seen trying garage doors at a private residence in Gatchell Green.

Anti-social behaviour by a resident at Mill Lane had been dealt with and the resident had now left the village.

The Chairman asked if anyone had other matters to raise with PC Gear and Mr Archer asked if Speed Watch was still in operation. PC Gear was not able to answer this question but did inform him that the previous co-ordinator was no longer involved with the scheme.

206/11 **Housing and Development**

There was nothing to report on this item.

207/11 **Playing Field**

The Chairman reported that she would be carrying out an inspection soon.

208/11 **Footpaths**

In the absence of Mr White there was nothing to report on this item.

209/11 **Highways**

The following items were reported:

- PC Gear was monitoring the issue of two cars that were regularly parked on Honiton Road towards Staplehay before the Dipford Road turning.
- The suggestion of a one way system into Church Road would be put to Highways.
- Mr Hancock now has guidance information on Neighbourhood Watch for anyone interested.

210/11 **Allotments**

There was nothing to report on this item.

211/11 **Trull Village Memorial Halls**

The Panto was a great success again this year.

Paul Leeder reported that the Memorial Halls Treasurer had resigned and he made an appeal for a replacement even if it was only on a temporary basis.

212/11 **Trull School**

There was nothing to report on this item.

Budget 2012/13

The Clerk distributed a working paper for the 2012/13 budget for discussion.

Mr Bloxham spoke to the meeting on the financial aspects of the proposed development of the Memorial Halls car park. The best estimate of the costs is £32,000 - £34,000 including VAT of which approximately £16,000 can be found from donations from The Memorial Halls, the TPCC and Trull school. This leaves a shortfall of £18,000 and the Parish Council was asked if they would consider funding this amount which could be spread over two years. The VAT implications were discussed but further advice would have to be sought as to whether the Parish Council can reclaim the VAT on the costs.

Mr Archer had attended the meeting on behalf of the Trull Parish Archive Group to request help with the cost of storing records. The TPCC had given £100 and Mr Archer asked that the Parish Council would match this amount.

Resolved: that the Parish Council give £100 to the Trull Parish Archive Group towards storage costs for their records.

Rev Youings reported that EDF Energy would no longer fund the floodlighting of the Church although the equipment could be left if required. The supply is un-metered and possibly linked to the street lighting so EDF Energy are unable as present to give a cost. Rev Youings asked if the Parish Council would be willing to share the costs once the figure was known.

213/11 **Correspondence**

The Clerk advised of correspondence that may be of interest to the Council:

- An invitation to the Mayor's Carol Service on Tuesday 20th December at 7pm.

214/11 **Accounts for Payment**

Resolved: That the following accounts be authorised: -

Mr Ron Vining – general maintenance	£150.00
Mr R Shattock – servicing lawn mower	£25.00
Mr I Perry – Carter's Way maintenance	£25.00
Clerk's salary	£416.00

215/11 **Any Other Business**
There was no other business.

216/11 **Items for the Next Agenda**
Budget set 2012/13

217/11 **Date of Next Meeting**
The next meeting will be held on 16th January 2012, in the Pearce Suite, Trull Memorial Hall at 7.15pm.

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.40 pm.

Signed..... Chairman of Trull Parish Council

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