



DT11 FORUM

community partnership

DT11 AGM minutes

Tuesday 3rd June 2014

Durweston Village Hall

		Action
1. Welcome	Scott welcomes everyone	
2. Apologies	Sue Chandler, Jennifer Harrison, Deborah Croney	
Attending	Hilary Ritchie, Bobbie Church, Doc Addison, Val Pothecary, Dave Astin, Geoff Barnett, Sally Woodlock, Steve Adamson, Margaret Norman, Jenny Balcon, Christine Stone, Barrie Cooper, Di Lewis, Bob Irvine, Mike Jones, Geoff Peters, Brian Shining, Ian Watson, Graham Rains, J Normett, Joe Hickish, Barbara Thomson, Deirdre Skipwith, Sarah Wilkinson, Hugh De longh, Scott Norman, Dianne Cooper, Peter Slocombe, Nic Nicol, Jo Rose, Margo Kirk, Julie Wigg, Rolly Skeats	
3. Minutes	Minutes agreed from last meeting 2 nd April 2014	
4. C13 Update	<p>The reasons for closing Dinah's Hollow (a steep banked row between Cann common and Melbury Abbas village) – is due to a combination of heavy traffic, trees and bad weather. Surveys are being carried out to establish the recommended work to be required. It was felt due to the near vertical banks there is the possibility of further slippage large enough to cover a small car. Next week a Topo survey will be carried out on the hollow and church site. A tree survey on eastern side has been done and tree survey on the western side will be carried out this week with the church site next week. Once that's been done geological mapping will be carried out– mapping the geology through the hollow. The ecological survey has been done but there is a bat survey to be completed by end of this week. Geological mapping will let them know how much needs to be done and where to place the drills.</p> <p>Re: Diversion – signs will be put in Poole Ports in French Spanish and English so the lorries know there are long delays on the A350 – encouraging them to go elsewhere (poss A338 or Dorchester). Wiltshire, north of the A303 – signs saying long</p>	

	<p>delays on A350 will hopefully encourage everyone to use A357 west or A354 East. Aggregate lorries from Wessex water have been using the rat runs through Melbury. Highways have spoken to Wessex water and they will be stopping that immediately. There is a 2 man gang permanently on the diversion route doing sign cleaning, mending signs. The traffic lights have been changed at Durweston Bridge to ease queues. BT have asked if they can put traffic lights up on Shaftesbury side of Melbury Abbas to do Pole work – Highways have agreed to this and have also agreed that Wessex water can lay main pipe along Spreadeagle - there will be traffic lights. It is hopeful that this will discourage lorries from going through small villages.</p> <p>Doc asked if it's possible to make rat runs one way. Roland said that this is being looked into and said that temporary traffic orders might include weight restrictions. Highways asked the police if they were to put these in place would the police have the resources to support it? They said they would support it. Jo pointed out that a lot of the traffic is long distance traffic, could alerts be put on national radio to ensure that everyone is aware. Ian Watson said that Sat Navs now have a traffic service. Roland said they will look into it.</p> <p>A resident of Iwerne Minster mentioned that now that Tower Hill is open again and Clayesmore School is back – there are a barrage of minibuses. There are no pick-ups in Blandford or the top of Tower Hill so they could use different route – Sutton Hill is also a rat run. Also farm vehicles will be using the roads soon. Scott said we will write to the Bursar at Clayesmore and mention this. The police said they will speak to the Head but can't guarantee it might work as it's up to the driver which route he takes.</p> <p>Barry Cooper asked if there's any timescale on when work will be finished. Rolly said at a guess we might be looking at around 2 months before survey results make it evident what needs to be done, then consultation carried out so probably around the end of the year.</p> <p>Deirdre Skipwith suggests weight restriction on the C13 – Scott points out that all traffic will come to A350 and there are more pinch points on A350.</p> <p>Graham – the A357, between here and gains cross is very narrow – 2 HGV's trying to get past each other is very dangerous. Graham asked if signs can be put up saying unsuitable for HGV's. Rolly said it can't be unsuitable as traffic is being encouraged this way but that they could put a sign up saying narrow roads.</p> <p>Geoff Peters from Iwerne Minster said they carried out a speed test on Sunday morning. There were 6 cars per minute (2.5 times the normal amount) through Iwerne Minster – and 35 cars were speeding approaching 50 miles an hour.</p> <p>Scott said as far as the Steam Fair is concerned meetings are taking place but they don't really know what the answer is if</p>	<p>Roland to look into having bulletins on national radio travel reports</p> <p>DT11 to write to the Bursar at Clayesmore</p> <p>Police to contact head at Clayesmore</p> <p>Rolly to investigate signage</p>
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	<p>you have 2 low loaders going the same way. A rumour was the LEP will pay towards the road. This is not the case. Scott asked the police if there is anything being done about speeding through villages as it has been noticed that speed is increasing through villages including. He said he will look into it. Geoff mentioned that although there is a lot going on along the road (there were 3 speed checks at one point) there is also a lot of traffic to deal with. Dave Astin mentioned a Traffic speed check vehicle was parked in a position that obstructed the view to get out of the car park at The White Horse Pub in Stourpaine. Dave felts this caused a hazard. Dave can't remember the date but he did report it. Blandford bypass – roadworks between 15th – 21st June – 1 section at a time between roundabouts and each section will have a diversion. Timing – 10pm – 6pm. Doc asked if the repairs are weather dependent. Rolly doesn't know. Barry Cooper asked about the no excuse campaign. The police said the summer drink drive campaign started on Sunday. Doc asked if there's been a traffic count – Rolly said there had but didn't have the figures with him - he will pass figures on to DT11. Ian Watson mentioned in a verge there are 8 yellow signs... he said they're a hazard as there are too many and you can't read them all . Rolly said all the signs are needed. Dave Astin asked if Rolly covers Finger Posts – yes they do. A year ago one of the fingers were damaged and replaced – the replacement wasn't a direct replacement – less information and different lettering (not cast iron, plastic lettering), Dave said already there are a number of letters missing. Rolly said that although their budget doesn't allow for finger arms they do remove them and give them to volunteers to refurbish – this is all done for nothing. AONB are also involved in replacing these. . Christine Stone said there is funding available from AONB if a few are put together. Filling in potholes on airfield road – are Wiltshire carrying out top of Zig Zag and Ludwell side? Rolly said they have Highway inspections and they are aware of their roads as DCC have been speaking to them although he's not sure if they're filling their potholes.</p>	<p>Police to look into speeding through villages</p> <p>Police to look into this.</p> <p>Rolly to pass figures on to DT11</p>
<p>5. Treasurers report</p>	<p>Peter Slocombe – the audited accounts were emailed to all parishes and members.. The income mainly comprised the core funding from NDDC. The main expenses were computers/advertising/rent. Over the course of the year there is a deficit of £929. Since the 31st March we have returned £4600 to Signpost housing as this money was for our community hub which unfortunately will not be proceeding. Ian Watson asked where the rent/subletting is shown – it is listed as CAID and Prospects.</p>	
<p>6. Chairs annual review</p>	<p>Scott doesn't feel he needs to go through it all again. Julie reminded everyone about the Networking event next</p>	

	<p>Thursday 12th June and the September event is still work in progress.</p> <p>No questions about TAG.</p>	
7. Scrutiny report	<p>Scott felt he made himself very clear after the scrutiny report came out. He doesn't feel it is applicable to go through it again, only to say he feels it was an ill-conceived and poorly thought out report. Val Potheary has confirmed that Hugh will be sending a report to cabinet. Scott felt there weren't enough replies from the DT11 members to send a response (from DT11) to Val. We had asked if we could extend the deadline of the 30th May so we could discuss at this meeting but this was not possible. However, the chairs have produced a report that has been sent to Val – if we are able to we will publish with the minutes.</p>	<p>Awaiting confirmation on whether Chairs report can be sent to members</p>
7. Nominations and elections of officers	<p>Nic Nicol stood for chair. Bobbie Church has stood for Vice Chair. Scott said he's very happy to have someone from the town and the parishes. We have managed to persuade Peter to stay on as Treasurer.</p> <p>Steve Adamson proposed Nic Nicol as chair – vote carried.</p> <p>Nomination for Bobbie Church as Vice Chair vote carried</p> <p>Nomination for Peter Slocombe as Treasurer – vote carried</p>	
7. Thankyou's	<p>Scott gave his personal thanks to everyone.</p> <p>Steve Adamson thanked Scott for everything he has done – he will be missed.</p> <p>Graham Rains said that the Trailway wouldn't have proceeded to the extent that it has without Scott. On behalf of the Trailway committee Graham would like to thank Scott.</p> <p>Val added her personal thanks. Val has found Scott to be hugely supportive, genuine, and incisive. Val offered her thanks and respect to Scott.</p> <p>Keith Yarwood gave his thanks for DT11's help for filling out a lottery grant for £500,000 – they wouldn't have been able to do it without DT11's help which has made an extremely daunting task less daunting.</p> <p>Scott will be chairman for Rural Wheels to Work. Nic is also on committee. Scott is happy to chair this committee as it is outside control of any government department!</p>	
8. Nic	<p>Nic said thankyou for having him as chairman and he looks forward to working with Bobbie, Julie & Peter over the coming year.</p>	
AOB	<p>None</p>	
9. Date of next meeting.	<p>Tuesday 22nd July at Blandford Parish Rooms. 6.30 for 7pm</p>	