



DT11 FORUM

community partnership

DT11 minutes
Stourpaine Village Hall
27th January 2016

1. Welcome	Nic Nicol (Chair), Bobbie Church (Vice Chair), Peter Slocombe (Treasurer), Julie Wigg (CREW), Mike Jones (Iwerne Minster PC), Barbara Thomson (Stourpaine), Keith Yarwood (Stourpaine), Hugh De longh (NDDC), Scott Norman, Sue Chandler (Shillingstone), Wayne Wills (TM & L Parish Councillor), Nicci Brown	
2. Apologies	Doc Addison, Joe Hickish, Ian Watson, Steve Adamson, Rob Pollard (DCA), Paula Andrews	
3. DT11 Business	<p>No actions from AGM</p> <p>Peter ran through the Treasurer report. Bank balance is £11510.80</p> <p>Explanation of larger expenditure £3044.20 – writing of DVAMP bid by Hilary Ritchie. Office rent: £2625.00.</p> <p>Mike queried what the ND funding was for. Hugh explained it's a special project fund to help initiatives get started.</p> <p>Peter ran through the expenditure claim for the core costs. Sue pointed out that realistically we've probably only can survive for 1 year with these reduced core costs.</p>	
4. Update on DT11 live projects	<p>With regards to DVAMP Nic said the funding won't be available until 2017 so we have to remain patient.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEADER projects – we need to put together an EOI. Nic suggests asking Hilary to put something together using the information from the DVAMP EOI. Steve Adamson will ask Hilary to provide a quote for carrying out this work. • Re: Project enquiry form to HLF. They need to see a Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan before we can apply. Julie has enquired whether it is possible to apply for a start-up grant in order to gather this evidence and is waiting for a reply. • Well & Connected event 1st & 2nd July. Invites to be sent out in the beginning of February. • Blandford + - as per work plan. • DT11 continue to support Town team – as per work 	

	<p>plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fording Point – Jon has a judging panel for the design. He is setting up a Community Interest Company where all the money will be reinvested. The rent which will be paid to William Williams will also be reinvested in the community. It's a temporary structure expected to last at least 2 years, probably more. • Nic has asked BRAT (Blandford Railway Arches Trust) for phase 2 business case. Nicci says they have submitted a pre-application to NDDC and are waiting to hear. March 5th is the 50th Anniversary of the last timetabled train going through Somerset and Dorset. They are holding an event, 1pm – 5pm at Station court in the camera club premises in the entrance to the Trailway. There will be various displays and walks down to the arches and a guided tour by David Cash. They have invited Spectrum to become involved. • TAG – we had a meeting with the transport manager and community engagement officer last week, along with other community service providers. Andy Shaw from DCC wasn't very hopeful that the buses could be saved and suggested the way forward may be to put the money into community transport. Mini buses could be used between school runs. We have enquired whether DCC have any community funding can be used. They are confident they may be able to assist. However, Deborah Croney feels confident that the X12 can be saved. Peter is concerned that Pimperne will be left without a bus service and says that expecting volunteers to fill the gap is not acceptable and that it is imperative they are not left without a service. He pointed out that it is poor accounting practice by DCC for them to realise at this late stage that they have to make these extreme savings. A community service is no substitute for a regular bus service. Nic agreed with Peter, you cannot rely on volunteers to run a car scheme. However, support should be shown towards PlusBus as this is a door to door service. Julie pointed out there is a charge for using PlusBus. Mr Wills asks how students are expected to get to Salisbury? He suggested that with better timetables more people would use them. There are dozens of villages in this area (around 10-12 villages) that have not been mentioned in the consultation. Nic remarked that take up of the X12 is very low and when the results of the review are known decisions will be made. He does however feel it is a foregone conclusion. Peter said this shouldn't stop people fighting against the cuts as DCC have been known to change their mind. Nic reminded everyone about the RW2W scheme and how they want to get more people to use it. Peter asked if there's any 	
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	<p>news re: the London service. Nic will chase him up again. Seems that John is not the contact now so Nic will speak to Andy Shaw.</p> <p>Berry Coaches based in Taunton run the London Flyer. There's one that goes through Wincanton. Is it worth contacting them?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DT11 provides project support to the Heritage Group. Nicci asked if anyone from the Heritage meeting in Nordon that took place in September are involved in the Heritage group. Nic said its difficult to encourage people to become involved. <p>No further questions re: the work programme</p>	<p>NN Speak to Andy Shaw</p> <p>NN will speak to them</p>
5. Priorities for 2016	<p>As per management notes we agreed to support Steve Hitchings with the Leisure centre and to concentrate on our work plan.</p> <p>Nic asked if anyone has any views on what we should concentrate on? No answer.</p>	
6. Finding Future Speakers	<p>Big issue will be speaking at our next meeting. Nic wants the parishes and communities more involved and asked if anyone has any ideas. Scott suggested asking District Councillors to come along and perhaps Simon Hoare. The meeting would have to be on a Friday evening or perhaps Saturday morning.</p> <p>Nicci says that they have a responsibility to come to the meetings, it shouldn't just be a choice.</p>	<p>NN will follow up.</p>
7. DT11 Set up/Constitution	<p>We will stay as we are but if we get funding from DVAMP then we will transfer over to our Limited Company.</p>	
8. AOB	<p>Scott reported that the A350 community group looking at what is happening with the A350 and C13. In 2014-2015 DCC asked to be included in this scheme for the A350 saying that urgent repairs were required and weren't successful.</p> <p>Mike Jones said people that live near the roads are dismayed by DCC decision. The EU recognised the problem and invited the council to apply for funding but they didn't. However, Wiltshire did and as a consequence they improved their infrastructure on the A303. Mike said the Chief Exec of DCC reported that during the floods in 2014 a lot of money was given to Somerset. Dorset has worse ground water flooding but never applied for the funding. Mike feels DT11 should lobby to make sure this doesn't happen in the future.</p> <p>We pay more council tax and we get fewer services. Hugh said there is a campaign to get it changed.</p> <p>Hugh suggested getting speakers re: the subjects in the work plan.</p> <p>Peter is disappointed that we hardly get anyone from the Parishes and we should make an extra special attempt to get people along from the parishes. Peter would like a better representation from the parishes.</p> <p>Scott is disappointed to see that Broadband has been dropped</p>	

	<p>off the work plan. He feels that DT11 should continue to lobby BT for a better service to the parishes. They've agreed that in 2017 they will replace the cabinet in Durweston. They won't say what the villages can be expected to have. Its stopping people forming companies, devaluing the properties and BT have had 1.7b given to them to get it to the villages and they are not doing it.</p> <p>Nic is not sure what the answer is. The teams mistake was to rely on government money, they should have gone alone.</p> <p>Nic said we will do our utmost to get DC's along to future meetings and Simon Hoare but at the September meeting</p>	
9.Date of next meeting	Wednesday 18 th May 2016 at 5pm for 5.30 in Blandford Parish Rooms.	