

## **PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council took place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Cllr Alison Irving was re-elected as the Chair of the Parish Council. The Council will consider the appointment of a Vice-Chair at the June meeting, when it hopes to be able to co-opt additional members.

## **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES**

The Ordinary Elections for the parish took place on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and there was un-contested election in Dilton Marsh. As a result of the election process the Parish Council has two vacancies. If you are interested in finding out more about the role of the parish council or in standing for co-option to the parish council please contact the Parish Clerk.

## **PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS**

The accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 were approved and signed by the parish council at the Annual General Meeting. The clerk reported that the parish council held funds of £37,441, which represented an increase on the previous year. The funds have been allocated to meet the costs of the new linear timber trail in the play area, contribute towards the refurbishment of the existing play area and support other village projects.

## **PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATION TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

The following appointments were confirmed at the AGM on 18th May:

Neighbourhood Policing Team—Cllr Sonja Harris

Highways—Cllr Mark Roberts

Parish Steward—Parish Clerk

Memorial Hall Management Committee—Cllr Kathy Hutt

Emergency Planning—Cllr David Howells

Recreation and Play in Dilton (RAPID) - Cllrs Jocelyn Short, David Middleton and Will Johnson

Neighbourhood Planning— Cllrs Sonja Harris, Val Jarvis, David Middleton and Kathy Hutt

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING**

The parish council has established a working group to begin developing a project plan for a Neighbourhood Plan for the parish. If you are interested in getting involved with this project please contact the parish clerk.

## **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Residents are reminded that instances of anti-social behaviour should be reported to the police via the 101 telephone number. This will ensure that a record is kept and maintained, which will assist the police in addressing any problems.

## **PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following decisions have been received from Wiltshire Council:

16/08344/OUT—Fern Farm 8 Hisomley—erection of three dwellings—refused

17/00404/FUL—15 Clearwood—internal alterations and 2 storey extension—approved

17/01722/FUL—Penleigh Mill Farm—erection of stables—approve with conditions

## Things to Do and Places to Go

**Dilton Amateur Gardening Club** meets the 1st Thursday each month in the Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm. Membership, £10 single, £18 couples, Visitors £2.00. Tel Pam Good, 01373 822433.

**Little Marshians Parent & Toddler Group** Every Tuesday from 9.30 am —11.15 am at the Memorial Hall. For more Information please e-mail at [littlemarshians@hotmail.com](mailto:littlemarshians@hotmail.com).

**Dilton Marsh Women's Institute** meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm. If you would like to discuss the WI or come to a meeting (someone will accompany you if you feel it's a bit daunting going somewhere new alone) please ring Alison Irving on 822922.

**Traidcraft.** Coffee morning with Traidcraft stall each month on 1st Saturday from 1000-1200.

**Dilton Rovers Football Club.** Training Sessions are held at Dilton Marsh Playing Field on Saturday mornings for boys and girls age 5 years to Adult—£2 per session. Training times do vary for each age group so for more information please contact the Club Secretary—Carolyn Hillman on 01373 824282. New members always welcome.

**Dilton Rovers Adult Sunday Team.** Training Details on Request. For more information please contact the Club Secretary: Carolyn Hillman on 01373 824282 or [www.diltonrovers.co.uk](http://www.diltonrovers.co.uk).

**Westbury Blue Circle Short Mat Bowls Club** Tuesday Evenings 7.15pm to 9.45pm at Dilton Memorial Hall. Contact the Secretary, Gill Willis 01373 826562/0774 6488818 for further information. All ages welcome.

**Dilton Marsh Acoustic Club** 'Open Mic' sessions at The Prince of Wales 2nd & 4th Mondays each month from 8pm. It is always a friendly, fun evening and newcomers (players and audience) are especially welcomed.

## Westbury U3A

The May meeting of Westbury and District U3A always includes the Annual General Meeting. This year was no exception the AGM being held at the start of the meeting. The chairman, Maggie Skyrme, gave her report which looked back over a successful year with a wide variety of speakers, active interest groups, a day out to SS Great Britain in Bristol, a lunch in August and a tea party during December. The treasurer reported that the groups finances were healthy and had been audited and the committee for the coming year were elected. As elections are valid for two years the committee for 2016 has agreed to remain, additionally two new members have agreed to serve, with another being willing in the future. The membership thanked those who work on the committee.

The team from Westbury Twinning Association then gave a fascinating talk about how our partnerships were set up and the work involved, as well as the fun that they have when both hosting and visiting. Westbury is currently twinned with Chateau du Loir, a town in the Sarthe region of France. A 'twin town' may be defined as a town that has civic associations such as reciprocal visits and cultural exchanges with a foreign town. Westbury's Twinning Charter was signed by both towns in 2000, in Westbury during May and in Chateau du Loir in September. A framed copy of the charter can be seen in the Laverton.

Pictures showed the Morris Dancers willing to perform as often as possible, the Westbury team wearing bowler hats and carrying umbrellas when marching in a parade and the gifts were exchanged. Long lasting friendships were described by all the team and how the language barrier, if there, can always be circumnavigated.

Our next meeting is on June 13, newcomers are always welcome, and we meet at the United Reformed Church Hall, starting at 2 pm.

The next Dilton News will be published on the 20th June 2017. If you have an item you wish to be included please send it, or e-mail it, to the Editor at the address given below to arrive no later than 18th June 2017.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is Thursday 15th June 2017 at 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall. There is an Open Forum just prior to each Parish Council for members of the public.

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<b>Chairman :</b>	Mrs A Irving	<b>Vice-Chairman :</b>	to be confirmed
<b>Parish Councillors :</b>	Mrs. A. Irving, 5 Fairwood Road.		Mr. D. Howells, 21 Tower Hill.
	Mr D Middleton, 8 Clivey Cottages		Ms K Hutt, 141 High Street
	Mr. A. Page, Clivey Barn Farm, Clivey.		Mr. F. Morland, Dead Maids Close, Chapmanslade.
	Mrs V. Jarvis, 17 Red Pit		Mrs J Short, 8 Greenacres.
	Mr M Roberts, 20 Shepherds Mead		Mr W Johnson, 20 Petticoat Lane
	Ms. S Harris, 88e High Street		

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