



# DILHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllrs. D Bateman (Chair), D. Horvath, S Wildman, E Whitehall  
D. Cllr Roberts

**Members of the Public:** 6 members of public

**Apologies:** C Cllr Ward

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<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Cllrs Carnall, Challinor, Howell and County Councillor Ward	
<b>PUBLIC QUESTIONS</b>	<p>Issues of concern from all present was volume of heavy traffic and speeding traffic through Dilhorne and the waste transfer site at Foxfield – all of which the Council are very aware of.</p> <p><u>Heavy Traffic/speeding</u></p> <p>Mr Pane from Forsbrook – he and his neighbours very concerned over number of Walchesters HGVs using Dilhorne Road, start from 6am. Lorries getting bigger and he thinks that the width of the road (4.5m) is below the government guidelines where two articulated vehicles coming in both directions. He also stated that he understood that Walchesters were only licenced for 16 lorries and that there are now more than this. He can also recall that there were weight restriction signs at the end of Dilhorne Road some 20 years ago so why were they removed/restriction lifted. Many years ago an application for a Heritage project on the Foxfield site was rejected and one of the reasons was it would increase the traffic though Dilhorne so why was the Walchesters site allowed by SMDC? 50mph passed his house and lorries rumble passed and house shakes. D Cllr Roberts will chase up SMDC on what planning permission is in place.</p> <p>Council advised that as far as they have been able to establish no restrictions on how the lorries access their site was in place. Council have contacted the company on many occasions asking them to only use the Richmore Hill entrance to Dilhorne (A52) but with no avail. There has been a “gentleman’s” agreement with Aldridge Fabrication for many years that their vehicles only to use this entrance and bar the very occasional time when a “relief” driver comes through Dilhorne this works very well. Council has also contacted SCC with regards to weight limits of bridges in both Godley Lane and Trimpos which would prevent HGVs from travelling over them and have requested a copy of the last inspection reports under FOI and are awaiting these reports.</p> <p><u>Waste transfer site</u></p> <p>Nigel Rathbone regarding Walchesters waste site, he advised that on the Walchester website they state they have a permit for waste transfer yard (EPR/GB3100TM) and had contacted SMDC and was told there was no application for the Foxfield site and subsequently</p>	PR

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	<p>had contacted Environment Agency who couldn't help. Since then he had been in contact with SCC Minerals &amp; Waste and they have asked Walchesters to cease all processing of waste and remove (without treating) any stored waste from the site.</p> <p>Malcolm Spooner - concerned about contaminated material on the site and asked who is looking into what is being brought through the village and tipped. In addition to Walchesters other companies are bring waste to the site.</p> <p><u>Traffic survey</u> Clerk reported that C Cllr Ward was commissioning a traffic survey – see Reports C Cllr for further details. Will this distinguish what type of vehicles are travelling through i.e. HGV, cars etc. and speeds? Where will the “strips” be placed as in previous survey one set was place almost at the junction opposite the Royal Oak so vehicles going slowly.</p> <p><u>Charlie Bassetts – Camping site/motorbike nights.</u> Camping site - comments were made by public present about the camping site and the number of units there. Site is untidy and looks like a “travellers site”. Dilhorne is a lovely village and this gives the wrong impression to anyone coming into the village, Council/D. Cllr Roberts advised that CB's state on their Facebook page that they have a Caravan Club CL licence, but this only allows 5 units with no permanent pitches, however this is regularly exceeded. SMDC are aware and are investigating this. It has been noticed by a member of the public that Western Power had recently been on site and looks like they erected additional power cables to allow increased power to the site. Motor bike nights (Wednesday) – this is encouraging lots of bikers to come to the pub and creates lots of noise through the village and when they are at the pub, Environment to be contacted re noise.</p>	Clerk
<b>MINUTES</b>	It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting were a true and correct record and Clerk signed a copy to retain for Council records when it is safe to meet it will also be signed by the Chair.	
<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	D Cllr Roberts on matters regarding planning	
<b>REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ETC</b>	<p><b>County Councillor</b> – not present but had advised Clerk that he would now be pushing SCC to carry out a traffic survey through Dilhorne and Forsbrook to be done hopefully in September when school is back assuming Highways have availability around then, he is using part of his DHP money to fund this.</p> <p><b>District Councillor</b> – no meetings other than planning, chasing up on Enforcement matters but they are struggling as here are only two Officers at present.</p> <p><b>Rec Centre</b> – now re-opened and have had 3 events since 26<sup>th</sup> June with no subsequent Covid related issues. Risk assessment in place. Accounts submitted for audit. Heard from Knights Solicitors re change</p>	

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	Total Receipts - £2,210.27  <b>BANK ACCOUNTS:</b> Current Account – £138.11 after payments made Deposit Savings Account - £10,971.26 Screenshot of the bank account after July payments have been made to be provided by Clerk to all Councillors. <b>YEAR END ACCOUNTS/AUDIT:</b> These are back from Internal Auditor and all OK and Certificate of Exemption sent to External Auditors, Mazars and all necessary documents uploaded to our website in line with legal regulations/requirements.	
<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	Santander Bank Statement	
<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7.30pm	
<b>MEETING CLOSED</b>	8.33 pm	

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