
Trull Parish Council Newsletter

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Speed Watch

Trull Parish Council is hoping to encourage Community Speed Watch patrols along Amberd Lane following ongoing concerns over speeding traffic. It had previously written to Somerset County Council in support of requests for traffic calming and a lower speed limit along the length of Amberd Lane. However this was turned down as Amberd Lane does not meet Department for Transport criteria for a 30mph speed limit extension and police records show that there have been no personal injury collisions along this length over the last five years. The Parish Council owns a hand held speed detection device which has been successfully used by the Community Speed Watch group monitoring several sites in the Parish. It is hoping the new Police Community Support Officer will be able to work with the established group or recruit more volunteers from Amberd Lane to collect data which could then be used to strengthen the case for a traffic calming scheme.

Church Road Hazard

The Parish Council is hoping to address parking issues in Church Road following complaints about vehicles mounting the pavement, causing damage to the ground and a creating a hazard to pedestrians and parishioners using the bench. It had put forward a proposal for double yellow lines directly opposite the junction with Orchard Close in a bid to keep the turning clear. However, following a number of objections it has decided to discuss the options in more detail and put forward new proposals as part of the Taunton Parking Review.

Planning

Applications considered by Trull Parish Council:

42/19/0001 103 Killams Green
Erection of single storey extension.
Support.

42/19/0003 6 Patricks Way
Erection of conservatory and open porch.
Support.

42/18/0042 Dipford Farm, Dipford Road
Demolition of agricultural building and erection of dwelling with garage.
Appeal.
Object. The application site is outside the Settlement Limit and contravenes policy DM2 of the Core Strategy.

42/19/0004 9 Bradbeers, Staplehay.
Erection of single storey and first floor extension with conversion of garage to annexe.
Support.

42/19/0005 Windsong, Amberd Lane.
Raising of roof with construction of first floor and erection of front and rear extensions.
Support.
TDBC decisions:

42/18/0040 Erection of a four bedroomed dwelling with detached single garage and ancillary works on land to the side of The Old Rectory, Wild Oak Lane, Trull.
Conditional approval.

42/18/0044
Erection of an agricultural building for raising of cattle at Great Herswell Farm, West Buckland.
Conditional approval.

42/18/0049
Variation of Condition No. 02 (approved plans) of application 42/17/0012 at Cherry Orchard Lodge, Cherry Orchard, Trull.
Conditional approval.

42/18/0048 Erection of a single storey extension to the side and rear of 9 Orchard Close, Trull.
Conditional approval

Trull Green Trees

Trull Parish Council has been discussing the management of the four Black Poplars at Trull Green for several years after concerns were raised by members of the public that they appeared to be dying. The Parish Council has strived to preserve the trees while having due regard for public safety, and has sought the advice of TDBC's Tree Officer throughout. He recently confirmed that one tree had died and a notice was given to fell the tree for safety reasons. That work has been carried out with the hollow tree coming down in seconds. The Council has now commissioned a condition report on the three remaining trees and will be monitoring their progress over the spring. The Council had engaged with neighbouring residents over the future of the remaining three Black Poplars and a long term plan for Trull Green. It is concerned to save the trees if possible but not at the risk of danger to the public. It will continue to monitor the trees and engage the community in further discussion on their possible felling and replacement.

Police Report

The monthly report included: 3 domestic incidents, 2 criminal damage, 2 harassment, 2 suspicious incidents, 1 abandoned call, 4 road related incidents and 1 theft.

Beat Surgery

The next Beat Surgery will be held at the Hive café in Trull Church Community Centre between 11am and 12 midday on 13th March.

Trull Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of Trull Parish Council will take place on Monday 18th March at 7:15 pm in the Pearce Suite, Trull Memorial Hall.

Agenda setting

If you have an item that you wish to be discussed by Trull Parish Council please contact the Clerk with details of the issue and where possible your expected outcome. The agenda for Parish Council meetings is set one week in advance. Any item received with less notice will be held over to the following month. The agenda is displayed on the official Parish Council noticeboard on the side of the Geoff Hewett Pavilion and published on the website: trullparishcouncil.org.uk

Website

The Trull Parish Council website has information about Council business and your parish councillors. It also has minutes, agendas and newsletters plus details of the Playing Field Management Committee.

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Playing Field Committee

The Playing Field Management Committee has responsibility for the day to day running of the King George V playing field and the Geoff Hewett Pavilion. The Chairman Anthony Kent can be contacted at anthonykent@mac.com

Pavilion Hire

The Geoff Hewett Pavilion is available to hire for sports and exercise classes or private functions. Anyone who wants further information should contact the Bookings Secretary Sue Khattab on 07561 127537.

Advertising on PC Land

Only local not-for-profit events can be advertised on land owned by the Council. Requests must be made in writing to trull.clerk@gmail.com

Verge maintenance

Roadside verges and footpaths are the responsibility of SCC who should be informed of problems via their website

<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/problems-on-the-road/report-an-overgrown-verge-or-hedge-on-the-road/>

Or

<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/problems-on-the-road/report-a-problem-with-a-public-right-of-way/>

Planning

The Parish Council can make comments on applications in the area to be considered by TDBC. To discuss an application contact Tessa Dean, Ann Hudson or David Langham.

Open Spaces

The Open Spaces Working Group usually meets on the 1st Sunday and the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Anyone who wants to join in should contact Tessa Dean on 07966 580165 or by email: tessa@westcountryfreedom.co.uk

Flooding

If you have any concerns about flooding or want to report a flood please contact Anthony Kent on: 01823 423196 or email: anthonykent@mac.com

Footpaths

For any Footpath issues contact Brian Pretty on 01823 272384 or bandsp22@btinternet.com

Book Exchange

For information on the Book exchange please contact Dee Luke. Tel: 07930 377108. Oversized books and magazines cannot be accommodated.

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