
Trull Parish Council Newsletter

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Casual Vacancies

Two casual vacancies have arisen on Trull Parish Council following the resignation of Mark Hughes and Dawn Johnson. The Council hopes to co-opt two new members and advertise for applications after the statutory time limit for calling an election has passed.

Flood Monitoring

Trull Parish Council has approved the setting up of a flood monitoring group which aims to ensure that floods and associated problems around the parish are monitored and reported quickly. The group is being co-ordinated by Anthony Kent.

Planning

Applications considered by Trull Parish Council:

42/18/0004/T Amended application for management work to three Monterey Cypress trees at Southay, Southwell, Trull. Support.

42/18/0007 Conversion of garage to accommodation at Conifers, Dipford Road. Support.

42/18/0008 Single storey extensions to side and rear at 5 South View, Comeytrowe Road. Support.

42/18/0009/T Management work to one Western Red Cedar and two Lawson Cypress trees at 4 Southwell Close, Trull. Support.

42/18/0006 Two storey extension at Middlewood, Patricks Way, Trull. Object.

No delegated planning decisions.

Decisions by TDBC:

42/18/0004/T Application to carry out management works to a group of three Monterey Cypress trees included in Taunton Deane Borough (Trull No.1) Tree

Preservation Order 1979 at Southay, Southwell, Trull (TD151) (Amended by email 12th March) Conditional approval.

42/18/0003 Erection of two storey extension to rear of 12 Wyatts Field, Trull. Conditional approval.

Comeytrowe Calming

Trull Parish Council has asked Somerset County Councillor Alan Wedderkopp to make a bid under the small Improvements Scheme for traffic calming measures, including a 20mp limit and a weight limit, on Comeytrowe Road. The action follows a comprehensive survey carried out by residents concerned about the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

Playing Field Projects

Trull Parish Council set up a Playing Field Management Committee to oversee the running of the enlarged playing field and new pavilion provided through planning obligations associated with the Amingford Mead development. A working group was formed to consult residents on how they would like the enlarged field to be developed. Nearly 90 people filled in surveys and were asked to rank the facilities they would like to see. The results were taken to the Playing Field Management Committee and a plan was agreed with the provision of equipment and facilities being provided as and when funds allow. New toddler equipment including a play fort, rocker and dish were installed last year. The "spider" shelter is the latest addition and is intended for use by parishioners of all ages. A grant for half of its cost was awarded under the Parish Play Area Scheme by Taunton Deane Borough Council. The

balance was paid by Trull Parish Council using Community Infrastructure Levy payments - made by developers to the local planning authority and apportioned to the parish council for projects to address the demands that development places on an area. The next item to be delivered will be a kick wall which was another of the most frequently requested. It is being part-funded by a grant given under the National Lottery Awards for All scheme.

Less Affordable Homes

Taunton Deane Borough Council has approved changes to the affordable housing provision in application 42/14/0069 for up to 2,000 homes on land at Trull and Comeytrowe. Planning permission for the urban extension was previously granted subject to several Section 106 commitments being agreed. However, the consortium of developers claimed the scheme was not financially viable due to the planning obligations which included provision of 25% affordable housing. The matter was referred back to the planning committee for further consideration in April. Trull Parish Council strongly objected to any possible reduction in the agreed figure. However, despite vigorous objection from many other speakers, the committee voted by 7 to 4 to support the reduction in affordable housing from 25% to 17.5%.

Dogs on Leads

People are reminded to keep their dogs on a lead while in the KGV playing field, and to use the dog waste bins provided please.

Trull Parish Council Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Trull Parish Council will take place on Monday 21st May 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.
www.trullparishcouncil.org.uk

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 07827 335631.

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

Representatives

Trull Neighbourhood Plan

Group – Tessa Dean, Linda Brierley.

Alms House/Relief in Sickness – Ann Hudson.

Somerset Association of Local Councils – Tessa Dean.

Party in the Park – Vacant.

Trull Memorial Hall – Linda Brierley.

Parish Lands Charity – Vacant.

Community Planning Working Group – Jo Wooldridge.

Allotments – Jo Wooldridge.

Planning

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

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. Please be aware that oversized books and magazines cannot be accommodated.

Police Reporting

Anyone who witnesses an incident should report it on 101 or 999 as appropriate to the circumstances.

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