
Trull Parish Council Newsletter

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NP Referendum 8th June

Don't forget to vote in the referendum on the Trull and Staplehay Neighbourhood Development Plan. It will be held on Thursday 8th June, the same day as the UK General Election. All registered electors in the Parish will be asked: "Do you want Taunton Deane Borough Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Trull and Staplehay to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood". The more parishioners who vote 'yes', the stronger the voice of the Parish Council in its response to proposed planning applications will be. The Neighbourhood Plan Group, made up of a cross section of representatives from the parish, produced the Plan after extensive consultation with all local people. The Plan has since been examined by an independent expert to ensure it is realistic and compatible with other local and national planning guidance. The Neighbourhood Development Plan and associated information can be viewed on the TDBC website at: <https://www.tauntondeane.gov.uk/planning-policy/trull-and-staplehay-neighbourhood-development-plan/>

Paper copies are also available to view at: - The Deane House reception in Belvedere Road, Taunton, during normal office hours; Trull Church Community Centre, Church Road, in the foyer area during Hive Café opening hours; and Trull Village Stores and Post Office during normal opening hours. If there are any questions about the referendum process or eligibility to vote these should be addressed to the TDBC Electoral Services Team on electoralservices@tauntondeane.gov.uk or telephone 01984 635276. If there are any questions about the Trull & Staplehay Neighbourhood Development Plan

or planning policy in general these should be addressed to talkingtomorrows@tauntondeane.gov.uk or telephone 01823 356484.

A358 Consultation

Highways England has paused its consultation on proposals to upgrade the A358 between the M5 at Taunton and the A303 at Southfields due to the pre-election period ahead of the General Election on June 8th. All public events have been postponed and will be rescheduled following the General Election. The consultation period will be extended with new dates to be published. Information about the proposed scheme remains on the website www.highways.gov.uk/Taunton-to-Southfields. In the meantime Trull Parish Council has given its support to a joint letter being sent to the head of Highways England Ltd from parishes affected by the proposal. The letter will object to the way the consultation has been dealt with and ask for the current consultation to be stopped, reconsidered and started again with a choice of routes. The current proposal includes a new motorway junction at Killams Avenue. Trull Parish Council has already responded to Highways England with concerns about the impact on the Vivary Green Wedge and the possibility of rat-running through the parish if the junction is ever opened for wider use.

Chairman Elected

Mark Hughes was elected as Chairman for another year at the Annual Meeting of Trull Parish Council. Jo Wooldridge was elected to continue as Vice-Chairman for the year.

Planning

No applications were considered by Trull Parish Council in April. There were no delegated planning decisions. There were no decisions by Taunton Deane Borough Council on applications in the parish.

Dipford Road pavement

Trull Parish Council is still waiting for a response from SCC Highways Authority following a request for the pavement along Dipford Road to be cleared. It is also waiting for information on any action being taken by the County Arborist on several trees that are considered to be a danger to traffic and pedestrians. The Parish Council has no power to clear the pavement without permission but landowners can and must maintain their own verges and boundaries.

Police Report

Since 24th April three calls had been received: - domestic -1, anti-social behaviour -2 and two crimes recorded: - criminal damage -1, assault -1. Additionally there had been a series of burglaries in rural sheds and outbuildings recently. PCSO Parry had advised that these buildings are made secure and details recorded of all property inside including makes, models, and serial numbers. A Beat Surgery would be held in the Trull Church Community Centre on 23rd June between 2.30 and 3.30pm. There had been no Speedwatch patrols due to illness.

Almshouse Appeal

The Corfe, Pitminster and Trull Almshouse Charity has a vacant cottage with garden at Sellicks Green. Please contact John Harrison on 07966 443252 or apply in writing by 7th July to john.mharrison@btinternet.com

Trull Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 19th June at 7:15 pm in the Pearce Suite, Trull Memorial Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Agenda setting

If you have an item that you wish to be discussed by Trull Parish Council please contact the Clerk or any elected member giving 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 the Parish Council 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 Tessa Dean can be contacted at tessa@westcountryfreedom.co.uk

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.

Representatives

Trull Neighbourhood Plan

Group – Tessa Dean, Linda Brierley.

Alms House/Relief in Sickness – Ann Hudson.

Somerset Association of Local Councils – Clerk, Tessa Dean.

Trull Connect – Dawn Johnson.

Party in the Park – Mark Hughes, Jo Wooldridge, Dawn Johnson.

Trull Memorial Hall – Linda Brierley.

Parish Lands Charity – Jane Martin-Scott.

Community Planning Working Group – Jo Wooldridge.

Open Spaces

The Open Spaces Working Group is busy improving green spaces in the parish. The group meets on the 1st Sunday and the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Anyone who wants to join in their regular activities 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

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