

Duncton



Duncton Parish Meeting

Monday 18th June 2018

Welcome and thank you for coming

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Agenda

- Welcome
Peter Thomas, Chairman, Duncton Parish Council
- Community reports
Graffham & Duncton School, Lavington Park Federation – Helen Martin, Head teacher
Village Hall – Andy Beadsley, Village Hall Committee
Holy Trinity Church – Louise Hartley, Church Warden
- Chairman's report – Peter Thomas, Duncton Parish Council
- Guest speaker –Police Community Support Officer Rich Moorey - Scams & Rogue Traders
- Any other business

Your Parish Council



Jane Landstrom

- Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer



Peter Thomas

- Chairman
- NE Parishes & All Parishes Meetings



Hilary O'Sullivan

- Vice Chairman
 - Planning Chair
- Wildlife inc Chingford & Burton Ponds



Chris Davies

- Minerals & Waste
- Winter Planning



Rod Matthews



Vincent Layson

- Minerals & Waste



Andy Beadsley

- Finance
- Village Hall



Susan Laker

- Defibrillator
- Playground
- Data Protection

* All Councillors sit on the Planning Committee

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Community Reports

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- Village Hall – Andy Beadsley, Village Hall Committee
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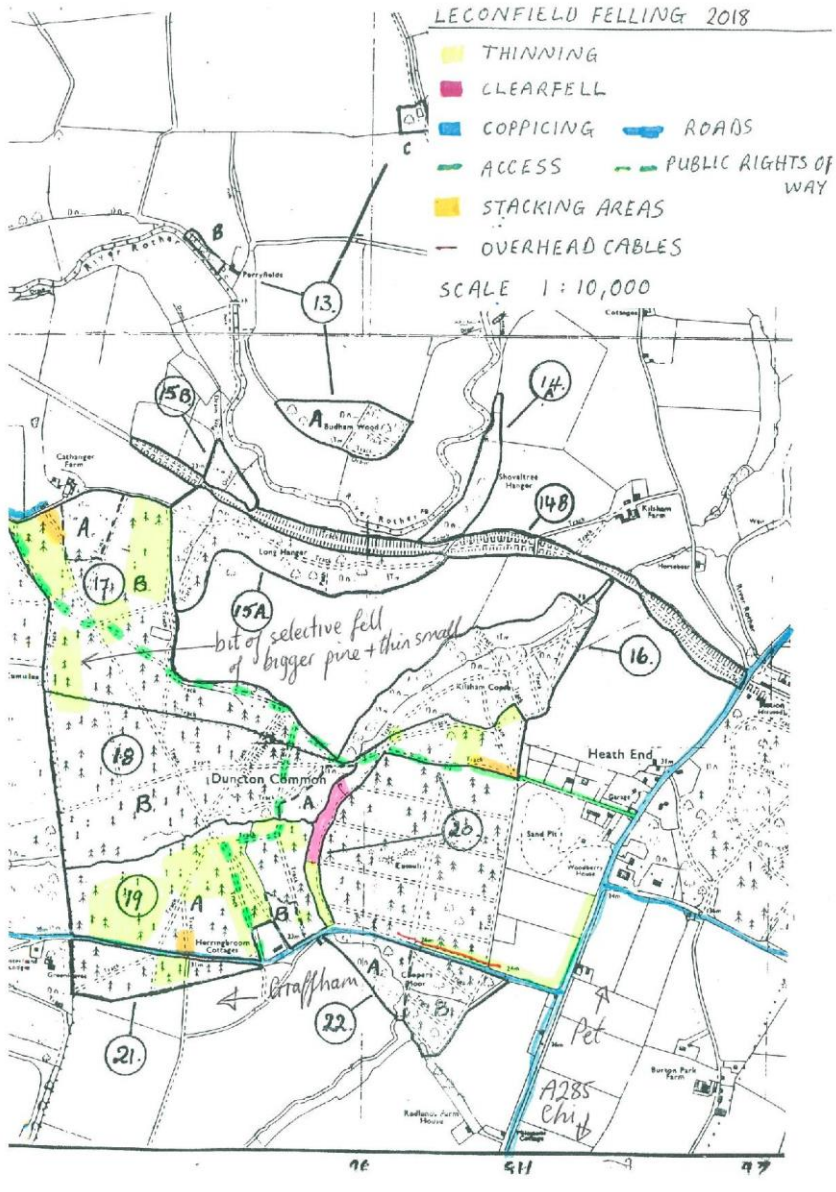
Chairman's Report

- Highlights and Achievements from the past year
- Upcoming events / initiatives:
 - Felling & regeneration at Duncton Common
 - Proposed New footpath
 - Velo South Cycle Event
 - Fireworks & WW1 Commemoration
 - WSCC Schools Effectiveness Consultation
- Questions – is there anything you want your Parish Council to work on?

Highlights & Achievements

- Playground
- Speedwatch
- Village Design Statement
- Community Land Trust
- Defibrillators
- General Data Protection Register

Felling & regeneration at Duncton Common



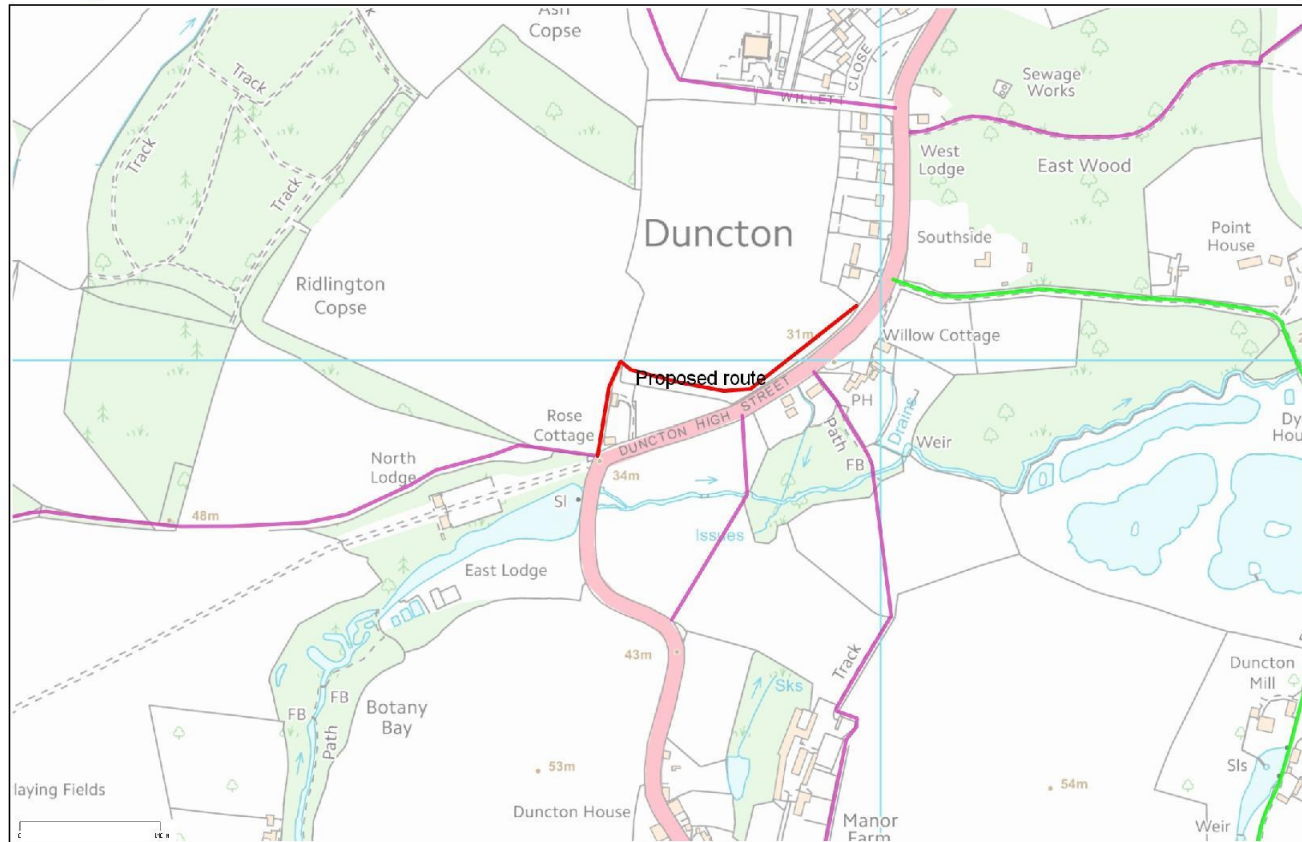
- The Leconfield Estate will be carrying out a scheme to fell and regenerate the woodland commencing this summer
- Some mature trees will be kept as 'mother trees' and the area will be fenced
- Any questions to Neil Humphris, Leconfield Estate Head Forester 07768 618565

Proposed New Footpath

ParishOnline

Proposed footpath

East Lavington CP



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Following concern from residents at Wallace Square in Seaford about not being able to walk into the centre of Duncton easily (as there is no footpath on the A285) Duncton & East Lavington Parish Councils have been working with WSCC and landowners to install a new footpath



CELEBRATE WEST SUSSEX. AT ITS BEST.

On **Sunday 23rd September**, experience the celebration of cycling that is Vélo South! You can be a part of this major new event, showcasing West Sussex at its best, in what promises to be a fantastic day out.

Road Closures and Timings in Duncton

A285: 06:00 – 11:00
Duncton High St: 06:00 – 11:00

The A29 south of Pulborough, the A24 and the A27 will not be affected by road closures

Get Involved

We would love this major event to benefit your business, community or local club. There are many ways to get involved, such as organising a pub party, a bake-off or simply running a special offer for spectators.

Our **Community Celebration Programme** is offering lucky winners support and advice for any activations planned for the day! Get in touch with the Route Team about your idea(s) on route@velosouth.com

Join in the fun

Whether you spectate, take part or volunteer, get involved and make the most of this spectacular event!

Spectate- The UK's 2nd biggest cycling event is coming through your area. It's bringing its own carnival flair, making it the perfect backdrop for a garden party or social occasion!

Volunteer: An event of this scale wouldn't be possible without an army of volunteers! If you're interested in volunteering, get in touch: volunteer@velosouth.com

Taking Part: Even though Vélo South's general entries have sold out, we have reserved places for local residents to take part. All abilities are welcome- and lycra isn't compulsory!

**15,000 riders. 100 miles.
1 magnificent day.**

Check out our website www.velosouth.com for more info, or contact us for on:

✉ route@velosouth.com ☎ 01243 935 359

We hope to see you there!



SOUTH DOWNS
NATIONAL PARK

Vélo South

- Sunday 23rd September
- 15,000 riders
- A285 closed in Duncton between 06:00 – 11:00
- Other local routes also closed
- Make travel plans accordingly

- www.velosouth.com / 01243 935359
route@velosouth.com
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Fireworks & WW1 Commemoration




- On 11th November, the UK & it's friends overseas will mark the day, 100 years previously when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War.
- To mark this event, the Parish Council has sponsored a 'Silent Soldier' which will soon be arriving in the village.
- The usual village fireworks event will be held on Sunday 11th November & include a remembrance ceremony. We look forward to welcoming everyone.

WSSCC Schools Effectiveness Consultation

LAVINGTON PARK FEDERATION

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Headteacher: Mrs. H. Martin M.A.(Ed)

7th June 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our communities,

WSSCC 'Draft School Effectiveness Strategy' Consultation: YOUR RESPONSE IS NEEDED!

West Sussex County Council have released a document called the 'Draft School Effectiveness Strategy', and have launched a consultation to get public feedback on that strategy. The document includes a number of important actions that we believe will help support children in West Sussex. **However**, it also includes a key point that we are extremely worried about – we are writing to you to highlight our concerns and to encourage all interested parties in the local community to respond to the consultation.

The strategy document asserts that 'Primary Schools [in the future] will be viable and of a sufficient size to support outcomes for children' – and states that 'typically a viable size will be a primary school of 210 children (7 year groups with 30 children in each)'. This is extremely concerning to us because:-

1. It threatens over HALF of the small schools in the area with closure, including ours (At Graffham & Duncton schools we have 114 children, across our 7 year groups).
2. This would mean that very young children could face much longer journeys to school, as well as the accompanying decline in rural community and support networks.
3. The strategy document does not provide any supporting evidence for their assertion that bigger schools produce better 'outcomes', therefore we can only guess at their rationale - although we believe their support to be based on purely academic, Year 6 SATS results, which we believe gives a very limited and one-dimensional view of success.

In our view:

- We strongly disagree that schools of a particular size are necessarily better for children than any other.
- We firmly believe that providing a good education for primary school children is much broader than SATs results; that the social, emotional and mental health of the children and families in our schools is paramount to small local communities.
- As a Federation, our academic results are also strong and rising, enabling children to be ready for the next step of their education. We are graded Good or Outstanding by our locality West Sussex advisor on a termly basis, supporting our past Ofsted results. So we, along with a number of other schools in the area, are already providing good academic 'outcomes' for our children.
- We are not prepared to accept that declining budgets mean that our small schools won't be financially 'viable', and are facing this challenge head on.

In summary, we believe strongly that small schools, like ours, are uniquely able to deliver a child-centred approach to learning that best meets the needs of many children and families.

Discover Together
Our Forest School nurtures every child as we discover, imagine and learn together

- WSSCC is keen to hear from as many residents as possible
- Consultation closes 25th June and can be accessed at <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/news/draft-school-effectiveness-strategy-consultation/>
- Mrs Martin, Headteacher has written a letter urging residents to respond as our village school is under threat
- The letter can be accessed from <http://www.duncton.org/news-2>
- The strategy documents asserts that 'Primary Schools (in the future) will be viable and of a sufficient size to support outcomes to children' and 'typically a viable size will be 210 children'. Graffham & Duncton have 114 combined.

Guest Speaker

Scams and Rogue Traders

Police Community Support Officer – Rich Moorey

How to keep in touch with what's happening in Duncton Village



Duncton Village Notice Board Facebook Page

Restricted to Duncton specific interests and intended to provide up to date community information from a range of sources including the Churches, Parish Council, Village Hall, Pub, School and Clubs.



Duncton Village Email Group

Restricted to 1 or 2 emails a week.
To join the list, email
louise.hartley1@btinternet.com



Three Parishes Magazine

Delivered monthly to every household in the village



Village Noticeboard

Located by the layby next to the bus stop.



Village Website

www.duncton.org
Parish Council information and village news

How to hear about what's happening in Duncton Village?

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Any Other Business

Any questions?

Thank you for coming
See you again next year, if not before!