

DRINKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk's Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 4th June 2018

- 1 I have, regrettably, tendered my resignation as Clerk to DPC effective from 16th June. The pressures of work at my other parish have increased dramatically due to the coming together of various initiatives in an unpredictable deluge of work and responsibility. As Drinkstone embarks upon the Neighbourhood Plan process it would be unfair if I could not devote proper time and attention to that extremely important enterprise. Drinkstone is blessed with active Members, very valuable public support and willing volunteers, but time is an important factor here, and I suggest that your Clerk's input is pivotal in driving and co-ordinating the process if a Plan is not to be delivered later than might be the case otherwise. Development pressures seem unlikely to lessen, and, therefore, time is of the essence.
I have agreed with Cllr Youngs that I will stay to clerk the July meeting. Meanwhile the post is advertised with SALC and I will, obviously, ensure as painless a transition as I can.
- 2 With regard to the Cheese Wedge land conveyance process, Council's deeds are now with the other side towards drawing up relevant documentation. The joint purchasers are having plans drawn up defining the various areas of eventual ownership. Once we have sight of these plans we will be in a position to draft Transfer Deeds for approval. In the meantime, I suggest that all communication with the purchasers remains through our solicitor.

Peter Dow

Clerk to the Council
04.06.2018