

DURLEY PARISH COUNCIL JANUARY MEETING REPORT

Durley Parish Council held their Monthly Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 10th January, 2023 in the Ken Stainer Suite at Durley Memorial Hall.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman) chaired the Meeting. Also in attendance were Cllr Watts, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Childs and Cllr Rutherford, along with the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins). Apologies were received from County Councillor Humby, District Councillor Mclean and District Councillor Miller.

Cllr Delmege and Cllr Rappini will fit the new Speed Indicator sign along Durley Street. Readings will be taken to see what impact the sign has on vehicle speeds going through Durley.

The Platinum Jubilee tree has been planted on The Sawmills Green. John and Robin from A E Roberts supplied and planted the tree on 10th December, along with Councillors. Tree saplings and hedging have been planted in The Sawmills buffer areas and at the Recreation Ground with whips donated by The Woodland Trust by Shawn – our Parish Lengthsman.

Cllr Delmege and the Clerk attended a Southern Parishes Group Meeting. Updates were given on the Winchester City Council Local Plan, Enforcement, Training, HALC, NALC and the response to the Winchester District Association of Parish Councils regarding the New proposed HALC Articles. It was also agreed that Durley Parish Council should ask Bishops Waltham Parish Council to consider putting a roundabout at the end of Wintershill when discussing new facilities for Bishops Waltham.

Cllr Delmege and the Clerk attended the WCC Parish Briefing on 15th November. The Briefing included updates on the WCC Local Plan, WCC Budget Update and various planning items which were brought up by Parish Councils to WCC Officers.

Councillors agreed that a memorial seat to commemorate the work of HM QEII will be placed around the memorial tree which was planted in memory of the Duke of Edinburgh on the entrance to The Sawmills. It was agreed that the seat will be circular with a back and made from recycled materials.

Cllr Ellen gave a Report on the Hall Rededication/Remembrance Service which was held on 13th November at Durley Memorial Hall. The Service was well attended and refreshments were enjoyed by everyone after the Service.

CC Humby sent through a Report which was given at the Meeting. DC Kurn said that complaints have been received about the state of some footpaths and roads near to where the pipeline work is being carried out. It is hoped that reinstatement work will be carried out as soon as the weather is more favourable. DC Kurn will set up a Meeting with Councillors and the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Arrangements for the King's Coronation in Durley. Cllr Delmege will get in touch with Durley School, Durley Church and the History Society to see if they wish to get involved. It was agreed that a Church Service would be held in Durley Memorial Hall on Sunday 7th May, 2023 with refreshments afterwards. There was suggestion of an Exhibition, or perhaps music for residents to view or listen to during the refreshment period. More details will follow.

Correspondence has been received about the frequency and amount of tankers going to and from the Heathen Street Pumping Station recently. Councillors agreed that there is little that

we were able to do as this is a necessary process when the water table is high, and there is a lot of rainfall at the moment. However, it was agreed that the Clerk would write to Southern Water with our concerns and also ask if the tankers could be better managed to avoid blocking roads and damaging the verges/roads. Perhaps a one-way system could be suggested for the tankers to arrive and depart.

There were no issues to report from the Recreation Ground or The Sawmills. Cllr Rutherford said that some residents were concerned about a white Alsatian dog barking at other dogs walking on the footpath and road near Gregory Lane. Residents are reminded to keep their dogs under proper control at all times.

Cllr Watts gave a Neighbourhood Watch Report and said that there have been some incidents within the last couple of months, which included criminal damage, theft and arson.

Cllr Rappini gave a Highways Report stating that there have been several fly-tipping incidents over the Christmas period. Flooding has been a problem in Parsonage Lane, Mayes Corner and outside of Durley School, but Stapleford Lane was clear. Pot holes have been reported and filled temporarily. There is still a fridge in the ditch alongside Stapleford Lane which has not been removed by WCC. Clerk will report it again as it is blocking the ditch. Cllr Ellen asked about the frequency of the buses going through Durley from March, 2023. The Clerk will clarify this information with HCC.

Financial Reports were given by the Clerk for December, 2022 and January, 2023. The Financial Regulations were agreed and updated to reflect the use of on-line banking arrangements.

Cllr Ellen gave a Hall Report. He reported that some Hall hirers are tampering with the heating system so a cover will be made to stop the heating being left on a high temperature when not required. Quotes will be discussed for the LED lighting, ceiling replacement and insulation at the next Hall Management Meeting. A Grant will then be applied for from HCC. A revised quote will also be sought for the Hall car park renovation work. Then the Clerk will put in a revised application for CIL Funding to be considered in this financial year.

Durley Parish Plan Update:

Broadband – Cllr Delmege – there was no further update.

Mobile Phone Signal – Cllr Childs had no further update.

Greening Campaign – Cllr Rutherford reported that the trees and hedging have been planted with whip from The Woodland Trust. A Village Litter Pick has been organised for the week of Monday 27th February to Sunday 5th March. More details are on the Parish Council website and/or on the village noticeboards if you wish to participate as a Group. Individual litter pickers can pick up litter during this week and litter picks, high-viz jackets and black bin bags can be picked up from Cllr Rutherford at 6 Mill Way, Parsonage Lane.

Flooding Risks – Cllr Rappini leading. There was no additional reports.

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