

THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2023 IN DURLEY MEMORIAL HALL, DURLEY AT 6.30 p.m.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman), Cllr Watts, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Rutherford and the Clerk were present. One resident was also in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from County Councillor Humby, District Councillor Mclean, District Councillor Miller, District Councillor Kurn and Cllr Childs.
2. ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT. There were no Declarations of Interest made.
3. THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023 WERE AGREED AND SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF THE MEETING.
4. MATTERS ARISING:
  - (a) Installation of SID along Durley Street – Cllr Delmege reported that Cllr Rappini and himself will erect the sign and Cllr Rappini will take over responsibility of the SID signs.
  - (b) Memorial Seating at The Sawmills – Grant declined. Clerk said that the Grant was not successful which was a disappointment. Details of which Grant applications were successful will be on the WCC website soon. It was agreed that this Application will be reviewed at the next Meeting and perhaps a further seat will be added to replace the one which had to be removed from The Sawmills Green recently.
  - (c) Update on arrangements for the King's Coronation in Durley. Arrangements are in hand and the Clerk has booklets which can be sold for £1.00 made by Shannon Abbott for the Kings Coronation which includes the weddings held in Durley Church from the records held up until the Coronation year. As Durley Parish Council will be providing refreshments after the Service cake donations will be required.
  - (d) Clerk has written to Southern Water, but they have not come back with a firm date yet for an Update Public Meeting. Problems are still occurring at the Pumping Station and verges are being destroyed. Clerk will chase for an Update Meeting, but also for an update on what is going on and why there are still problems. Residents in this area of Durley are getting very fed up with the situation.
  - (e) Meeting with Donna Jones – DC Kurn has not come back with a date yet.
  - (f) Progress on bus services through Durley. The Southern Parishes Group is arranging a Meeting with HCC Passenger Transport Team to try and find a better way of getting much needed services to the rural parishes.
  - (g) Response from CC Humby regarding service infrastructure through the village. CC Humby is going to raise this issue with our MP Flick Drummond.
  - (h) District and Parish Elections – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. The Clerk confirmed that the Durley Parish Council Elections are Uncontested and therefore all 7 candidates who put their nominations forward have been duly Elected. The District Councillor Elections will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> May.
5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: CC Humby was not at the Meeting to give a Report, but sent through an April Update.
6. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: DC Mclean, DC Miller and DC Kurn. This Report will be given at the Annual Parish Assembly.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ITEMS BY INVITATION OF THE CHAIRMAN. There were no Questions from members of the public.
8. CORRESPONDENCE:
  - (a) HCC Parish Lengthsman Scheme. Clerk confirmed that the Scheme is running again this year and she has applied for the funding Grant from HCC for the parishes in the Durley cluster.
  - (b) A letter has been written to Flick Drummond MP asking for her to support the Local Electricity Bill which is going through at the moment so that if community energy projects wish to be set up they will have the opportunity if the Bill is passed.
9. SCHOOL REPORT: There was no Report available.
10. RECREATION GROUND REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that everything was fine at the Recreation Ground.
11. SAWMILLS REPORT: Cllr Rutherford said that the play equipment was fine.
12. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that there has been a cycle theft and one violent assault during the month. Cllr Watts also said about the emergency alarm alert which will be on mobile phones on 23.4.23.
13. HIGHWAYS REPORT: Any highways issued raised this month. Cllr Rappini said that an hgv lorry was stuck at the end of Stapleford Lane last week. He has taken some of the bank away in Stapleford Lane and this needs to be repaired. Cllr Rappini phoned the Police as the lorry needed assistance to get moved and the road was blocked until it was moved. Large pot holes have been reported in Wintershill and Kytes Lane. Other pot holes are appearing in many roads and lanes in Durley. Fly-tipping has been reported in Netherhill – lots of black bags in the usual lay-by and also a double bed alongside Netherhill Lane.
14. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Councillors agreed invoices presented by the Clerk and signed cheques as agreed. The Internal Audit has been completed and all financial transactions are satisfactory.
15. HALL: Hall Management Meeting Report by Cllr Ellen. Applications for Hall Caretaker. Clerk said that there have been 3 applications for the post and interviews will take place shortly with a view to starting on 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2023. CIL Funding Application for Hall Car Park renovations. Clerk confirmed that an application has been submitted which we hope will be successful this time. DC Miller and Cllr Jackie Porter will be sent notification that the Application has gone in and that we would like their support. LED lighting/ceiling Grant Application. A Meeting was held to discuss the figures required for the application and the Clerk has now submitted an application. A Hall hirer who damaged a light in the Hall has not responded to a letter sent asking for payment for the damage so the legal process will now be commenced through the small claims court.
16. UPDATING OF PARISH PLAN:
  - (a) Broadband – Cllr Delmege. There was no further information.
  - (b) Mobile phone signal – Cllr Childs. There was no further update.
  - (c) Greening Campaign – Cllr Rutherford. The black bin bags have been collected from the Hall car park from the Village Litter Pick.
  - (d) Flooding risks – Cllr Rappini. There were no additional issues reported.
17. PLANNING:

22/02013/HOU. Mr and Mrs Phillips. The proposed works will see the demolition of an existing garage structure and construction of a new larger garage structure, with conversion of an existing outbuilding to a larger annex with a small porch extension and new pitched roof dormers and all associated works. Mulberry House, Oakmore Park, Durley. REFUSED.

Enforcement issues in Durley. Clerk has not received a response from the Enforcement Officer dealing with the majority of cases in Durley so she has written to Lorna Huthchings and she is going to discuss the cases with him and get back to us with a response.

18. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 7.25 p.m.