

THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13th JUNE, 2023 IN THE KEN STAINER SUITE AT DURLEY MEMORIAL HALL, DURLEY AT 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman), Cllr Watts, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Rutherford, Cllr Bailey, District Councillor Kurn, the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins) and 1 parishioner attended the Meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from CC Humby, DC Miller and DC Williams.
2. ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT. There were no Declarations of Interest made. Clerk confirmed that all Register of Interest Forms are now on the WCC website.
3. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9th MAY, 2023 WERE AGREED AND SIGNED A CORRECT RECORD OF THE MEETING.
4. MATTERS ARISING:
 - (a) Arrangements for PC Stand at Church Fete – 17th June, 2023. The A1 posters and leaflets have been ordered, and the remainder of the Coronation Booklets will be available on the Stand. The setting up will take place on Friday 16th June at 2.30 p.m. Cllr Delmege will man the Stand on the day with help from other Councillors who are available.
 - (b) Public Meeting with Southern Water Notes. These Notes were agreed by those who attended. As DC Williams stated in his Report that funding has been made available Clerk will confirm this with Southern Water.
 - (c) Meeting with Donna Jones – DC Kurn to confirm. DC Kurn said that now the Elections are completed he will arrange the Meeting with Donna suggesting the dates that the Clerk gave.
 - (d) Progress on bus services through Durley. Clerk read out the e-mail received from HCC and reported on a Meeting that the Southern Parishes Group are having with Stagecoach in July. Cllr Pitter said that he is also trying to find out information. It was suggested that perhaps the BW minibus could be used to take residents to Lunch Club as some were finding it difficult without the bus. Lunch Club will also be asked for their comments about this suggestion.
 - (e) Southern Parishes Group Meeting Report – Cllr Delmege/Clerk. The main speaker for the Meeting was Sharon Evans – who is the Monitoring Officer for WCC. Sharon outlined the work that she carries out and gave examples of decisions which were made. Going down the legal route is a last resort if negotiations do not work. Councils were asked to look at the amended Articles proposed for HALC. Cllr Delmege outlined these amendments and Councillors were happy to support them. Rural bus services were discussed, and a Meeting has been agreed with the bus companies. A representative from HCC has been invited to the next Meeting to further discuss this issue.
 - (f) Clerk read out a response from HCC regarding the blocked drains at the end of Sciviers Lane. This matter was reported at least 2 years ago and it appears that the jetting work has been raised to clear the blockages, but a traffic management plan is required so a date has not yet been fixed to carry out the work. A Work Schedule will be asked for so that we can see when the work is likely to be carried out. It also states that this work will be done as soon as resources allows, but they must manage our expectations that this may not be

in the near future. Cllr Rutherford said that the blocked drain in Parsonage Lane has also not been jetted yet, although the road had a temporary closure on it for 1 day.

5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CC Humby sent through a written Report which the Clerk highlighted. This was noted.
6. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT – DC Miller, DC Kurn, DC Williams. A written Report was sent by DC Williams which informed Councillors about the condition of the road in Wintershill and an enquiry has been made to Esso to help with the cost. DC Williams has been following up about the 49 bus service, Grant opportunities and CIL Funding for the Hall car park. Other issues were the cycleway from BW to Botley and follow-up information from the SW Meeting. Floyd Cooper has informed DC Williams that he has obtained £60,000 for groundwater infiltration repair works, but he is still pushing for a further £30,000 to cover further work which he believes will mitigate the need for further tankers. DC Kurn informed Councillors about the HCC Budget Consultation which is available now, the Freedom Parade and the visit by Princess Anne to Winchester, Enforcement and also the increase in parking charges across the Winchester District – including Bishops Waltham.
7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ITEMS BY INVITATION OF THE CHAIRMAN. There were no issues raised by parishioners.
8. CORRESPONDENCE:
 - (a) Advice from HCC Pension Scheme to admit the new Caretaker into the LGPS. Agree Resolution to admit new employee into the Scheme. Councillors agreed that a Resolution should be agreed to accept the new Caretaker onto the LGPS from 1st July, 2023. Clerk will inform HCC Pension Services.
 - (b) Small Claims Court submission for Hall damage recovery costs. Clerk has received no communication from the Hall hirer and it was agreed that a Claim will now be made through the Small Claims Court. This will now be more costly for the Hall hirer, but there appears to be no other alternative.
 - (c) Donation towards Churchyard maintenance 2023-24. Cllr Delmege proposed that we make a donation of £200.00 the same as last year. Cllr Bailey seconded this proposal. All Councillors were in agreement. The Clerk will send on a donation.
 - (d) Rural Prosperity Funding. This Funding could be applied for if the Grant Funding is not available for other projects, but most projects do not fit into the criteria for this funding.
 - (e) Clerk read out an e-mail from a resident regarding the signs along Durley Street. Councillors agreed a response.
 - (f) A letter was received from Victim Support asking for a donation. Councillors agreed that we do not give donations other than to CAB and for the Churchyard maintenance.
9. SCHOOL REPORT: There was no School Report available. Cllr Watts said that the School were holding their 200th Anniversary Event on Saturday 1st July from 4.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. and some people might park in the Hall car park. This was concerning if there was a booking and as Quob Stables is no longer a possibility for parking. The Clerk will check the Hall diary to see what bookings are in the Hall on that date.
10. RECREATION GROUND REPORT: Clerk to report on grass cutting problems with Contractor. The grass at the Recreation Ground was not cut during May and this was not acceptable as the Ground was not able to be used during this time because the grass was too long. It has now been cut, but only after numerous complaints from the Clerk to the Contractor. Councillors might consider an alternative Contractor in the future. Barry Nicholson was suggested as a possible Contractor.

11. SAWMILLS REPORT: Noticeboard – Clerk showed Councillors noticeboards which could be purchased for the Sawmills Green which will be more robust. Cllr Bailey will also look at various options. The Grant does need to be in shortly. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Shawn to look at the memorial tree which appears to be dying.
12. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that there was 1 Public Order offence in Manor Road this month.
13. HIGHWAYS REPORT: Pot holes in Durley have been reported. Cllr Rappini informed Councillors that he has had discussions with HCC Highways about the state of Netherhill, water leaks and pot holes. Discussion took place about signs stating that pedestrians are walking in the road along the main road. Clerk will write to HCC and ask if some could be put up. When the Parish Plan was carried out many residents agreed that there were too many signs and therefore some signs were removed to de-clutter the village of unnecessary signs. Cllr Delmege said that a footpath appears to have been rediverted – this will be looked at. Cllr Rappini will look at flooding in Gregory Lane which appears to be causing a problem.
14. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Councillors agreed invoices presented by the Clerk and signed cheques/BACS as agreed.
15. HALL: CIL Funding Application for Hall car park renovations. Clerk is hoping to hear whether the Application is going forwards after 16th June. LED lighting/ceiling Grant Application. Clerk read out e-mail from the Grants Officer and it appears that we will not know until perhaps September whether our Application is successful or not. Community Market – Cllr Ellen suggested having a Community Market perhaps on a monthly basis. Councillors agreed that this would be a good idea, but people were needed to run it. It was agreed to give this further consideration.
16. CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVES: There were no new ideas put forward.
17. PLANNING:
 - 23/00755/FUL. Mr B Dunning. Retrospective change of use from stables to dog grooming. Rozel Stables, Stapleford Lane, Durley. Councillors had no comments to make on this Application.
 - 23/00860/HOU. Mr S Brading. Rear extension, front extension, new roof and loft conversion. Stapleford Cottage, Stapleford Lane, Durley. Councillors had no comments to make on this Application.
 - 23/00622/HOU. Mr & Mrs Taylor. Proposed single storey side and rear extension following demolition of conservatory. The Orchard, Manor Road, Durley. Councillors had no comments to make on this Application.
 - 23/00906/HOU. Mr Fullwood. Proposed front and rear extensions, raise roof with side dormers to accommodate living space. Oakdene, Durley Brook Road, Durley. Councillors had no comments to make on this Application.
18. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.00 p.m.