

## **DURLEY PARISH COUNCIL FEBRUARY MEETING REPORT**

Durley Parish Council held their Monthly Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 13th February, 2024 in the Ken Stainer Suite at Durley Memorial Hall.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman) chaired the Meeting. Attending were Cllr Watts, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Bailey along with the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins). Also in attendance were District Councillor Williams and 3 parishioners. Apologies were received from CC Humby, DC Miller and DC Kurn.

Still no response has been received from Southern Water regarding the funding for the work which is required in Heathen Street Pumping Station despite the Clerk and DC Williams following up. It was agreed that as there have been further breaches during the month and large tankers have yet again been going to the Pumping Station, Councillors agreed that it was time for another Public Meeting. The Clerk will write to Southern Water asking that they attend a Public Meeting with Parish Councillors and residents to give us all an update on the situation.

The Clerk gave a report on the recent Southern Parishes Meeting to Councillors.

The Emergency Plan for Durley is going to be updated and Cllr Delmege will look at the content of the Plan and update where possible. Residents will be asked if they are able to offer help in an emergency situation, and also ask those residents who will need help in an emergency situation as this information will need to be updated on the Plan. Councillors agreed that a Questionnaire will need to be circulated to all residents so that we are able to update and include this information which would have changed since the last Emergency Plan was updated.

Cllr Delmege is still following up regarding the CIL Funding for the Hall car park. The Clerk is going to apply for Lottery Funding to try and secure some funding, but other funds will need to be raised. A Grant has been applied for to have 2 batteries at the Hall to take energy produced from the solar panels. This will make the Hall more energy efficient.

A written report was sent by County Councillor Humby.

District Councillor Williams reminded everyone to complete the Consultations on the HCC Budget proposals, and also the NHS Consultation regarding the downgrading of Winchester Hospital. He also spoke about the Rural Prosperity Fund and the Council Tax increases.

Members of the Public attended to hear discussion regarding a planning application and also to see if there is any progress on the Pumping Station with Southern Water.

Reports were received for the Recreation Ground and Sawmills.

Cllr Watts gave a Neighbourhood Watch Report and said that scams are still circulating and some incidents over the last month include assault, theft, antisocial behaviour and the stealing of batteries.

Cllr Rappini gave a Highways report. Flooding has been a big problem this month, with many roads and lanes impassable. Large pot holes are appearing and these have been reported to HCC Highways. Mill Lane and Netherhill are particularly bad. Discussion took place about additional speed cameras and also the parking outside of the School. Parking was reported on the zig zag lines which is a safety concern. A Parking Warden will be asked to

visit during School pick-up and drop-off times to try and education parents not to park on the zig zag lines to ensure that childrens' safety is paramount.

Clerk reported that the ¾ year Internal Audit has been completed and is satisfactory. A Financial Report for February, 2024 was also given.

Cllr Ellen gave Hall Report saying that the Hall will be closed for 2 weeks in April for the Hall ceiling to be replaced along with the installation of the LED lighting. A Hall Management Meeting was held and maintenance issues were discussed and agreed.

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