

THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12th MARCH, 2024 IN THE KEN STAINER SUITE AT DURLEY MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman), Cllr Watts, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Rutherford, Cllr Bailey, District Councillor Williams and the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins) were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from County Councillor Humby and District Councillor Miller.
2. ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT. There were no Declarations made under the Code of Conduct.
3. THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2024 WERE AGREED AND SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF THE MEETING.
4. MATTERS ARISING:
 - (a) Funding from Southern Water to carry out works at Pumping Station enquiry and further flooding issues and flooding sewerage getting into gas pipe. Flooding has again been coming from the Pumping Station in Heathen Street during the month. CC Humby informed the Head of Southern Water about the sewerage in the gas pipe as this meant that the gas could not be repaired and residents were left without heating. This has now been resolved. DC Williams has also written again to SW for a response/update on the flooding problems. Durley Parish Council and Durley residents are getting very frustrated at the lack of information from SW and some residents are now threatening to form an action group and going to the press as the situation is not getting resolved.
 - (b) Update on CIL Funding resubmission with Cllr Jackie Porter – Cllr Delmege said that he is receiving responses from other Parish Councils and will compile the information shortly. He is thinking that he should put a further question to the City Council Cabinet Meeting.
 - (c) Report on Southern Parishes Meeting (6.3.24) – Clerk/Cllr Delmege. The Clerk said that the main Speakers for the Meeting was CC Rob Humby and CC Roz Chadd. They were at the Meeting to outline why HCC had to make Budget and service cuts and answered questions from attendees about the current Consultation which HCC are holding. Other updates were also given on HALC, NALC and WDALC.
 - (d) Updating Durley Emergency Plan – timescales. Cllr Delmege will look at what needs to be updated and it was agreed that a Questionnaire to residents will go out with the Leaflet about the Church Fete at the beginning of June. The Clerk will get the printing done in May ready for distribution. Cllr Rappini suggested that perhaps responses could be returned at the Church Fete on the PC stand. They can also be returned to the Hall post box and to the Clerk. It will have a closing date on the response form for the end of June so that the information can be compiled and then uploaded to update the Emergency Plan.
 - (e) Report on WDALC Meeting held on 28.2.24 – Cllr Delmege/Clerk. The main item discussed was the HCC Budget Consultation. Cllr Stallard spoke to the representatives at the Meeting.
5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CC Humby sent through a written Report. The main items were the Hampshire Together Consultation for the downgrading of Winchester Hospital and the HCC Budget Consultation. This was noted.
6. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT – DC Miller, DC Kurn, DC Williams. Any update on Parking Wardens visiting the School to stop illegal parking – DC Williams said that photographs need to be taken of individual offenders who park on the yellow zig zag lines. It was also agreed that the lines need to be repainted so that there is no excuse to say they did not realise that they could not park there. DC Williams also spoke about the planning approval

for a mast at Salt Lane which might provide better mobile signal for Durley, along with an update on the Helipad application. Updates on the toilet renovations in BW car park and a petition from Wickham Surgery (which he will forward on the link), and the widening of the pavements in BW were also given by DC Williams.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ITEMS BY INVITATION OF THE CHAIRMAN. There were no additional items brought up by members of the public.
8. CORRESPONDENCE:
 - (a) Mayor of Winchester Awards Ceremony (7.3.24). Cllr Watts was awarded the Mayor of Winchester Award, but was unfortunately not able to attend the Ceremony. The Award will be given at a later date.
 - (b) Correspondence from residents regarding the flooding in Heathen Street from the Pumping Station. As the issues were urgent this was dealt with during the month.
 - (c) Hampshire Superfast Broadband enquiry. DC Williams informed Councillors that this Scheme has now closed.
 - (d) HCC Consultation on Future Services. Do we want to send in a PC response as well as residents? It was agreed that residents should respond as well as giving a Parish Council response. It was agreed that a separate Meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th March at 6.00 p.m. to discuss the response at the Hall.
 - (e) NHS Hampshire Together Consultation on the downgrading of Winchester Hospital. Do we want to send in a PC response as well as residents? Report on Public Meeting (22.2.24) – Cllr Watts/Clerk. Cllr Watts and the Clerk attended the Meeting in the Jubilee Hall, BW. It was felt that this is a foregone conclusion, although there is not funding in place. Concerns were raised and it is hoped that residents will put forward their concerns. A response from the Parish Council will not be made.
 - (f) Lobbying our MP's regarding Regulation 24 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012. Brought up at the Southern Parishes Meeting. It was agreed that this is a complex issue and a letter will not therefore be sent from Durley Parish Council.
 - (g) Request for some hardcore on a footpath enquiry – referred to HCC Rights of Way Officer. This was noted and no response has been received to date from HCC Rights of Way Officer.
 - (h) Letter from Life Education regarding a donation. It was agreed that we would not be making a contribution.
 - (i) Clerk has received details that the HCC Lengthsman Scheme will be operating again this next financial year (24-25). Agreements will be sent out to the 6 parishes in our cluster.
9. RECREATION GROUND REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that although the Ground is still very wet and just inside the main gate is very muddy. It is hoped that once the weather dries up the area will settle.
10. SAWMILLS REPORT: Cllr Bailey said that it is wet in the play area and the grass is not able to be cut yet. Painting of swing bar has not been done because it has been too wet.
11. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT: Cllr Watts gave a Report saying that there has been one report this month of an antisocial behaviour in Durley Street. There is a Beat Surgery being held on Thursday 28th March in the Hall car park, but this has only been advertised on the Police website which is difficult to find. Car thefts are being carried out and scams are

rising. The Nottingham Knockers have been visiting properties in Durley Street and there is to be a 24/7 police response team based at BW Police Station and there will be 10 Officers sited at the BW Police Station.

12. HIGHWAYS REPORT: Cllr Rappini reported that some pot holes have been repaired in Durley Street, although the maintenance gang did run out of tarmac to complete the work so had to come back to finish. The 2 bad pot holes in Kytes Lane have not been repaired. Clerk will report these again as they are now getting dangerous. Flooding in Parsonage Lane has been causing problems again. HCC have put cameras down the pipes to see if they are blocked. The sewerage pipe from the Hall to Parsonage Lane was blocked and this might have been from the flood water backing up. Cllr Rutherford said that the footpath off Gregory Lane going alongside Brownheath Park was blocked. Clerk will ask Shaun if he could clear it. Rubbish has been dumped on the corner of Chancellors Lane which was reported to the owner.

13. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Councillors agreed invoices presented by the Clerk and signed cheques/BACS as agreed.

14. HALL: Cllr Ellen to report. Hall car park renovations update – Clerk has applied for some Lottery Funding for this project. LED lighting/ceiling – preparations for the work to commence on 2.4.24 has been finalised. Grant for solar panel batteries – Clerk reported that this Grant had been successful and £10,000 will be put towards the solar batteries at the Hall. A contribution of £4,106 will be made from Parish Council funds. It is hoped that we can install the batteries at the same time as doing the Hall ceiling as the Hall will be closed. Cllr Pitter is meeting with the installer on Thursday to look at the siting of the 2 batteries. Relief Cleaner – a Relief Cleaner has been appointed as relief was required for holiday and then sickness of the current Caretaker. All seems to be working well and cover was adequately provided. It was agreed that an advert will be put up to see if there is another person available to provide cover as well. Clerk said that there is another round of Grants available to apply for from the Rural England Prosperity Fund – we could apply for this towards the Hall car park renovations. It was agreed that an Application would be made as this Grant would cover all of the cost of the renovations.

15. CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVES: There were no other issues brought up.

16. PLANNING:

24/00097/FUL. Mr Baker. The installation of 26 pv ground mounted solar panels (25m x 4m) in the paddock adjacent the residential curtilage; the panels will be connected to an inverter within an existing building (old stable) on the property. Paddock East of the Old Rectory, Greenwood Lane, Durley. **Permitted.**

17 THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.00 p.m.