

THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY DURLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
11th MARCH, 2025 IN THE KEN STAINER SUITE AT DURLEY MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Watts (Vice Chairman), Cllr Pitter, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Rutherford, Cllr Ellen, Cllr Bailey and the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins) were present. District Councillor Miller was also in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from Cllr Delmege, County/District Councillor Williams and District Councillor Latham.
2. ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT. There were no Declarations of Interest made.
3. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 11TH FEBRUARY, 2025 WERE AGREED AND SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF THE MEETING.
4. MATTERS ARISING:
 - (a) Update from Southern Water. Public Meeting - Questions needed prior to Meeting on 21st March, 2025 so that SW can come prepared. Clerk said that at the moment she had 3 questions. It is hoped that residents and Councillors will send in more before the Meeting.
 - (b) Update on buffer area land at The Sawmills. Clerk has received a response from our Solicitor and has written to Persimmon Homes for confirmation that they are in agreement that we sell the land. If a formal response is not received from Persimmon Homes then the Clerk will ask Stuart DD from WCC if he could clarify with them for us.
 - (c) Southern Parishes Group Special Meeting (4.3.25) – Clerk gave a report of the Meeting which was to discuss Devolution and the Local Government Review. Councillors agreed that they feel Durley would best fit into a Rural Mid Hampshire Unitary. A response has gone forward to the Leaders of both HCC and WCC from the Southern Parishes Group.
 - (d) Meeting with Dedicated Police Officer – 1.4.25. Clerk has confirmed this date and has asked if Upham Parish Councillors would like to join us at 7.30 p.m. Councillors were asked if they could prepare any questions to Sharon.
 - (e) Any issues for the Annual Parish Meeting on 8.4.25 to agree or finalise. There were no further issues to discuss or arrange. Reports will be given by the Chairman, Highways, Financial (Clerk) along with County and District Councillor Reports. Councillors also agreed that they would use the Ken Stainer Suite rather than ask Bishopstoke Players to relinquish their booking in the main Hall.
5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CC Williams - There was no County Council Report available.
6. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT – DC Miller, DC Williams, DC Latham. A District Councillors' Report was given by DC Miller. He said the main issues which have been discussed are the Hampshire Health Meetings, the Hampshire Water Transfer and Recycling Project, Devolution and the Local Government Review. DC Miller also said that HCC have land in Eastleigh Borough Council that is possibly going to be used for a recycling centre.
7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ITEMS BY INVITATION OF THE CHAIRMAN. There were no members of the public attending to ask questions.
8. CORRESPONDENCE:
 - (a) Hampshire Water Transfer and Water Recycling Project Consultation. Councillors agreed that no comment would be made on the Consultation.

- (b) Updates on Local Plan – forwarded on via e-mail. These were noted.
- (c) Mobile homes moving along Durley Hall Lane. Clerk received concerns from residents who tried to get through Durley Hall Lane recently as it was blocked for around two hours whilst a large mobile home was being delivered. There was another mobile home being delivered to the same address a couple of days later. The Enforcement Team have been informed.
- (d) HCC Parish Lengthsman Scheme details have been sent through for the year 2025/26.
9. RECREATION GROUND REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that all was well at the Ground and that DFC members are meeting to discuss if they can do some painting over the summer months.
10. SAWMILLS REPORT: Cllr Bailey said that the play area and green looked well and the woodstain on the play equipment looked good. There were no areas of concern. Cllr Bailey did say that the business area car parking did look a bit untidy, but this is not the responsibility of DPC.
11. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that she has not received any recent Reports on incidents since December. This will be chased up. Scams are still circulating – which include tickets for Marwell Zoo which are not valid. Quad bikes, power tools and other farm equipment are also being stolen in the area. Response from PC Sharon Conway – as noted in item 4(d) above.
12. HIGHWAYS REPORT: Cllr Rappini said that he has reported many pot holes around the village. Snakemoor Lane is going to be closed for work. Mill Lane has had major work carried out on the road surface.
13. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Councillors agreed invoices presented by the Clerk and agreed BACS payments. ¾ Year Internal Audit Report – Clerk reported that this was satisfactory.
14. HALL: Cllr Pitter to report on updates on Hall car park improvements – Cllr Delmege is looking into software that we might use for the white line markings. This will be chased up as it does need to be done so that drivers park appropriately. Hedging for 3rd section – the Clerk has received no information or quote from John at the former AE Roberts so Cllr Pitter and Cllr Ellen will look at a different source for the hedging plants. The Clerk looked at a Scheme via HCC, but this was only for trees not hedging. It was agreed that the planting needs to be done shortly, or we will miss the season. It would cost around £600 for the hedging plants needed and the protectors. Hall Management Meeting to be arranged as the previous one had to be cancelled due to illness amongst members of the Committee. Clerk has circulated dates for a Meeting. Cllr Pitter said that the Hall roof repairs have now been done.
15. PLANNING:
- 25/00337/HED. Esso Petroleum Company Ltd. Please find attached a completed application for Hedgerow Removal Notice as well as other supporting documentation including a map and photo. Land at Findens Farm, Kytes Lane, Durley. Councillors agreed that they had no comments to make on this Application.
- SDNP/25/00839/FUL. Mr & Mrs Randall. Change of use – a new animal rearing block with 6 no calf and 2 no horse rearing pens. Two grazing fields, of which one will be used for cattle. The second field will be used for both horses and cattle. A new cattle barn for wintering. A new sand school. Meadow View, Winchester Road, Durley. Councillors agreed that no comments would be made on this Application.
- APP/L1765/X/24/3336411. Mr Hepburn. Appeal made against the decision of WCC against a Refusal to grant a Certificate of Lawful Use which was sought for the use of land as residential

curtilage at Cupressus, Durley Brook Road, Durley. **Decision: That the Council's refusal to grant a certificate of lawful use was well founded and that the Appeal should fail.**

25/00102/PIP. Ms Stevenson. Application for Permission in Principle for residential development for up to two new dwellings. Rozel Forge, Stapleford Lane, Durley. **Refused.**

16. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.00 p.m.