



LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Little Dunmow Parish Council held on
Monday 10 June 2024 at 7.30pm at the Community Meeting Room,
Brook Street, Little Dunmow.

Present: Cllrs: Clark, Corr, French, Pratt, Richardson, Thomas & Westbrook.
In the Chair: Cllr French.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also Present: There was no one else present.

24/10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

24/11. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 13 May 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Westbrook. Seconded: Cllr Corr. All agreed.

24/12. PROGRESS CHECK.

- RCCE Village of the Year - Cllr Pratt to look at paperwork - next agenda.
- Change of date for the Neighbourhood Plan event, hopefully it will now be held at the beginning of July.

24/13. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. No interests were declared.

24/14. CASUAL VACANCY.

Cllr Clark proposed that Mr Nigel Richardson be co-opted as Parish Councillor for Little Dunmow, this was seconded by Cllr Pratt and unanimously agreed.

- Mr Richardson signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was welcomed to the Council.

24/15. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

24/16. REPORTS.

- **County Council** - no report received.
- **District Council** - a report was circulated dated 20 May from Cllr Criscione.

24/17. FINANCE.

101160 £566.61 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Expenses/TBS Hygiene)
101161 £43.20 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)
101162 £100.00 VCS Websites Ltd (6 months Hosting)
101163 £324.00 JCM Services (Verge Cutting)
101164 £98.40 Playsafety Ltd (RoSPA Inspection)
101165 £1,920.00 A Miladinovic (Neighbourhood Plan)
D/D £28.80 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
D/D £64.93 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)

24/18. PLANNING.

Cllr French gave a report on the Planning Committee Meeting regarding the following application:

Application No: UTT/23/2136/FUL. Proposed installation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure including photovoltaic panels, mounting frames, inverters, transformers, substations, communications building, access tracks, fencing, pole mounted CCTV cameras.

Location: Land west of the A120, Chelmsford Road. **Permission granted with conditions.**

Cllr French will write up a report of the meeting he had with the developer and will talk to Highways about the suitability of the bridge (a structural report has been done). A traffic survey is currently being done in Station Road.

24/19. RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM.

To decide whether or not the facilities in the Meeting Room can be made available to the footballers.

There was some discussion around the pros and cons and it was suggested that should this go ahead then a named person from the Football Club should be appointed to take personal responsibility to ensure all terms and conditions are met.

Cllr French proposed that before a decision is made a conversation with the Club should be held for them to put their case for using the facilities to Councillors, this was seconded by Cllr Corr and a vote was taken; 4 for and 3 against, therefore a meeting to be arranged.

24/20. ECC SALT BAG PARTNERSHIP SCHEME WINTER 2024/25.

Closing date 22 July 2024, due to storage issues it was agreed not to participate this year but to buy salt as and when needed.

24/21. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

UDC Electoral Services - booking of the Meeting Room for the election on 4 July

24/22. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Recreation Ground parking - next agenda.
- Magna Carta Oak Tree - Cllr Richardson has a selection of (Runnymede) saplings available.
- Play Area - circulate RoSPA report.
- Planning Permission for the Community Building.

24/23. MEETING DATES 2024.

8 July, 9 September, 14 October, 11 November (Budget Meeting), 9 December.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.26 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: