

LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 13 MARCH 2023 AT 7.30 PM AT
THE RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET,
LITTLE DUNMOW

Present: Cllrs: Elliot, French, Guild, Merritt, Pratt, Thomas & Westbrook.
In the Chair: Cllr Westbrook and Cllr Guild from item 23/28.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also Present: There was no-one else present.

23/21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

23/22. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 9 January 2023 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr French. Seconded: Cllr Merritt. All agreed.

23/23. PROGRESS CHECK.

No matters raised.

23/24. 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.

23/25. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

23/26. REPORTS.

County Council - no report received.

District Council - no report received.

23/27. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE.

Still awaiting the final Landscape Survey. If an event is held for the Coronation then the Neighbourhood Plan Group will use this opportunity to consult further with residents.

Neighbourhood Plan Finances

Total Income £6,493.38 (£6,352.83 Groundwork UK, £140.55 UDC Expenses).

Total Expenditure £5,912.74 (5,040.00 Wynne-Williams Assoc., £707.19 RCCE HNS, £165.55 Expenses).

Cllr Guild arrived at the meeting and took the Chair.

23/28. PLANNING.

Application No: UTT/23/0454/HHF. Proposed conversion of existing tennis court to form horse riding area.

Location: Priory Place, Grange Lane, Little Dunmow.

There were no objections, however although the plans do not show any lighting, if there is to be any then it should be non-intrusive to neighbours, minimizing light pollution.

23/29. CATESBY (MOORS FIELD) 'HOME WORKING HUB'.

To receive an update on any research done regarding taking over this facility. No further information was received. A visit to a similar facility in Stansted to be chased up with Cllr Criscione, to include Cllrs French, Guild and Pratt.

23/30. FINANCE.

101094 £50.00 V Westbrook (Meeting Room Repair)
101095 £966.32 (Salary/PAYE/Expenses)
101096 £72.00 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)
101097 £3,840.00 Wynne-Williams Associates (Neighbourhood Plan)
101098 £38.40 A Balcombe (TBS Hygiene Ltd.)
D/D £36.11 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)
D/D £31.48 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
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Income £325.00 Dunmow Rovers FC (Donation)

23/31. BENCH ON THE FLITCH WAY.

The Friends of the Flitch Way have identified several locations along the Little Dunmow stretch of the Flitch Way where they would like to install a simple bench costing between £300 and £400. They are asking if the Parish Council would consider paying for the bench and they will install it. It was agreed to check the location and request a plaque to celebrate the Coronation to be donated by the Parish Council.

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

It was also agreed to chase up a proposed information board containing information about walks and interesting facts about the village.

23/32. CORONATION CELEBRATIONS.

To consider celebrations for the Kings Coronation. Agreed to apply for the £200 grant from UDC to purchase a tree and look into the grant of £700 to see if it could be used for something other than an event (Bench for Flitch Way). A Community Event will be held at the Recreation Ground on 7 May, Cllr French will arrange some flyers to advertise the event.

23/33. POND OPPOSITE THE FLITCH OF BACON.

To discuss the poor state of the pond and what could be done to improve it. Photos of the state of the area will be sent to the land owner.

22/34. CORRESPONDENCE.

UDC - Land north of Baynard Avenue UTT/22/3470/OP. UDC have received a number of enquiries regarding work at the site. The Developer has assured the Council that any works are related to clearing of ditches and removal of a build-up of silt.

Cllr Criscione - copy of email enquiring about vegetation clearance at the travellers site.

23/35. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- The Election to be advertised via email, notice boards and website.
- Cllr Merritt is not re-standing, she was thanked for her past work and will be continuing as part of the Neighbourhood Plan Group.

23/36. MEETING DATES 2023.

15 May (Annual Assembly & Annual Council Meetings), 10 July, 11 September, 13 November (Budget Meeting).

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.17 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: