



# LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Little Dunmow Parish Council held on  
Monday 8 April 2024 at 7.30pm at the Community Meeting Room,  
Brook Street, Little Dunmow.

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

## **24/79. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clark.

## **24/80. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes of 11 March 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

## **24/81. PROGRESS CHECK.**

A brief update on matters arising from the last meeting.

- Casual Vacancy - the notice has been published and residents (ten Local Government electors) have until Monday 22 April to request an election.
- The application for Quiet Lane status needs to be submitted to the Local Highways Panel (LHP) directly by Cllr Foley.
- Footpath between Flitch Green and Baynards Avenue; some wood chippings have been put down which has helped but it still needs surveying.

## **24/82. 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.

## **24/83. PUBLIC FORUM.**

There were no members of the public present.

## **24/84. REPORTS.**

**County Council** - apologies were received from Cllr Foley.

**District Council** - apologies were received from Cllr Criscione.

## **24/85. RIDE LONDON - SUNDAY 26 MAY 2024.**

To discuss what the Parish Council can do to support Ride London. There was some discussion around having a stall selling refreshments to raise money for the new Community Building and the Church.

## **24/86. FINANCE.**

101148 £3,680.00 A Miladinovic (Neighbourhood Plan)  
101149 £135.00 Groundwork UK (Neighbourhood Plan Grant Underspend)  
101150 £575.11 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Expenses/TBS Hygiene)  
101151 £39.60 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)  
101152 £44.10 RCCE (Annual Subscription)  
101153 £147.37 EALC (Annual Subscription)  
101154 £80.83 J Thomas (Printer Ink)  
D/D £77.26 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)  
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)

#### **24/87. PLANNING.**

- Cllr French gave a report of the meeting he and Cllr Corr attended with Genatech regarding the proposed Bumpsted Hill Solar Farm. It was agreed to keep this on agenda to monitor the situation.
- Planning Development Update circulated.

#### **24/88. FUNDING FOR LITTLE DUNMOW CHURCH.**

Request for funding for repairs to the windows in the Church. The Council to consider putting money in the budget for 2024/25.

*Cllr Pratt declared an interest as she is a Member of St Mary's Church PCC.*

#### **24/89. MOORS FIELD DEVELOPMENT/COMMUNITY BUILDING.**

A report of the meeting held on 5 April with Dandara was given; there was an issue with getting drawings of the building done as the type of building still hasn't been decided and will depend on available funding, it will be discussed at the next Trustee meeting. The re-routing of the footpath near Brights Cottage is in hand. A problem with flooding to a neighbouring property was reported and Dandara will do what they can to rectify the problem.

**Road closures** - a sign giving notice of Station Road being closed for six weeks has been removed as permission has not yet been given.

**Development name** - Dandara has invited the Parish Council to submit some suggested names for the new roads. Residents will be consulted, Moors Field was put forward and it was also suggested that the names of surrounding fields could be used.

#### **24/90. RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM.**

It was agreed to use the Meeting Room to sell refreshments to the footballers and their parents. The funds will go to the Little Dunmow Community Buildings Trust with a contribution to the Parish Council for use of the facilities.

#### **24/91. CORRESPONDENCE.**

- Residents email including responses regarding flooding of her garden.

#### **24/92. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

- Apologies were received for the May meeting from Cllrs Pratt and Thomas.
- Cllr Westbrook to arrange grass cutting of The Green at The Moors.
- Magna Carta 2025 - next agenda.
- Neighbourhood Plan - public consultation beginning of June for two weeks - Next agenda.
- Summer Fete/Party at the Church - next agenda.

#### **24/93. MEETING DATES 2024.**

13 May (Annual Meetings), 10 June, 8 July, 9 September, 14 October, 11 November, 9 December.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.29 PM.**

**SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):**

**DATE:**