



LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present: Cllrs: Clark, Corr, French, Richardson, Thomas & Westbrook.
In the Chair: Cllr French.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also Present: County Cllr Foley and District Cllr Criscione.

24/24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Pratt

24/25. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 10 June 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

24/26. PROGRESS CHECK.

- A meeting with representatives from the Solar Farm to discuss Traffic Management to be held on Wednesday 10 July.

24/27. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda.

Cllr French and Cllr Clark declared an interest in agenda item 24/30 as members of the Little Dunmow Community Buildings Trust.

24/28. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

24/29. REPORTS.

County Council - Cllr Foley was asked about the road closures currently in place and due at the end of August. The road closure means Little Dunmow is completely missed out of the 133 bus service (Arriva). The full closure at the end of August is due to utility work and a traffic light system is not possible due to legal restrictions. Compensation was discussed and this could be explored at the Public Meeting at the end of July. Flooding in Mill Road is a topographical problem and is being looked at. Station Road speed limit; once the development has finished speed surveys will be done and 30mph advisory limits on the bends could be a possibility.

District Council - Cllr Criscione updated the Council on the Draft Local Plan, the Regulation 19 version is now available to view and will go out for consultation, Cllr Criscione will support the Plan in its current form with development in the most sustainable locations.

Moors Field development - discharge of conditions has been refused by UDC as work was started before permission was given (it was noted that there were no material considerations given as a reason for refusal) and the developer must now stop work until this is resolved.

Cllr Criscione offered his help and advice in a personal capacity with the new Community Building.

24/30. MOORS FIELD DEVELOPMENT.

Community Building Ownership - various options were discussed, more information is needed before a decision is made.

Open Space Ownership - it was agreed that the Parish Council would not take on ownership of the Open Space and that it should be handed over to a Management Company.

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

24/31. FINANCE.

101166 £588.92 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Expenses/TBS Hygiene)

101167 £43.20 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)

101168 £18.00 V Westbrook (Plants)

101169 £1,035.00 JCM Services

D/D £57.66 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)

D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)

24/32. RECREATION GROUND PARKING.

To consider if there is any available land that could be used for parking near St Mary's Place. Ownership of the land was queried, it is either UDC or Highways land as the Parish Council do not own the land. Residents would need to be consulted before any decisions were made. It was suggested that perhaps the rear of the travellers site could be used.

24/33. PLANNING.

24/00057/NEWDEV. Naming of six new streets at Moors Field, Station Road, Little Dunmow. Field names were put forward as the six names.

24/34. RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM.

To decide whether or not the facilities in the Meeting Room can be made available to the footballers. A meeting is to be arranged to discuss this.

24/35. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

None.

24/36. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Progress on Road Closures.

24/37. MEETING DATES 2024.

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

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.50 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: