



DOG MERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held at Dogmersfield Primary School 8th January 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

Councillors	In Attendance
Cllr Anne Fillis (Chair)	Yes
Cllr Sarah Miles (Vice-Chair)	Yes
Cllr Andrew Simonds	Yes
Cllr Fergal Cathie	Yes
Cllr Robin Stacpoole	Yes

Clerk: Sam Rowe

In attendance:

Members of the public 2

23/139	<p>Welcome and apologies for absence.</p> <p>Cllr Miles gave a welcome and explained she was standing in as Chair for tonight's meeting, Cllr Fillis was present but unable to speak due to health issues.</p> <p>Apologies were received from:</p> <p>District Councillor Chris Dorn</p> <p>District Councillor Jon Hale</p>
23/140	<p>Co-option of councillor and signing of acceptance of office.</p> <p>Only one application was received and the resident has completed an application form to confirm they qualify for co-option.</p> <p>All Councillors have agreed they were happy for Robin Stacpoole to start as a councillor and join the January meeting.</p> <p>The 'Acceptance of office' form was completed. Robin joined the January Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>It was resolved to appoint Robin Stacpoole via co-option to Councillor.</p> <p>Proposed SM, Seconded FC, all in favour.</p>
23/141	<p>To receive and note any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and requests for dispensation for items to be discussed.</p> <p>Cllr Miles requested to abstain from the planning discussion on Janes Cottage.</p>



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23/142	<p>To approve the minutes of the council meeting of 11th December 2023.</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting held 11th December were approved as a true record of the meeting. Proposed AF, Seconded SM, all in favour. (RS abstained as was not in attendance)</p>
23/143	<p>To review matters arising from previous meetings</p> <p>See Register of open actions</p>
23/144	<p>Announcements from the Chairman and Clerk</p> <p>None</p>
23/145	<p>County and District Councillor's reports</p> <p>None to report.</p>
23/146	<p>Public Session</p> <p>No members of the public spoke</p>
23/147	<p>To confirm the APA (The Annual Parish Assembly) and APM (Annual Parish Meeting) dates</p> <p>APA – The Annual Parish Assembly - This meeting must be held between 1st March and 1st June inclusive dates. NO decisions are made, and this is the informal meeting where residents are invited to join to receive a presentation on what has been achieved by the PC and what future plans look like.</p> <p>APM – Annual Meeting – must be held in May and is governed by https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1972/70/schedule/12/part/II the rules set out in the Local Government Act, and dictated by whether the parish council is in an election year. The first order of business at this meeting is the appointment of the Chairman and there are rules that surround that. 2024 is not an election year for DPC.</p> <p>The last elections for Dogmersfield were 2021, there will not be another election until 2025.</p> <p>It was proposed to hold the APM (Annual meeting) along with the Parish council May meeting on the 13th of May.</p> <p>Proposed FC, Seconded AS, all in favour.</p> <p>It was proposed that the date for the APA (Annual Parish Assembly) will be held on the 22nd of May, on the provision this date is OK with Dogmersfield School.</p> <p>Proposed SM, Seconded AS, all in favour.</p> <p>ACTION- Clerk to check the date of the 22nd May with the school.</p>

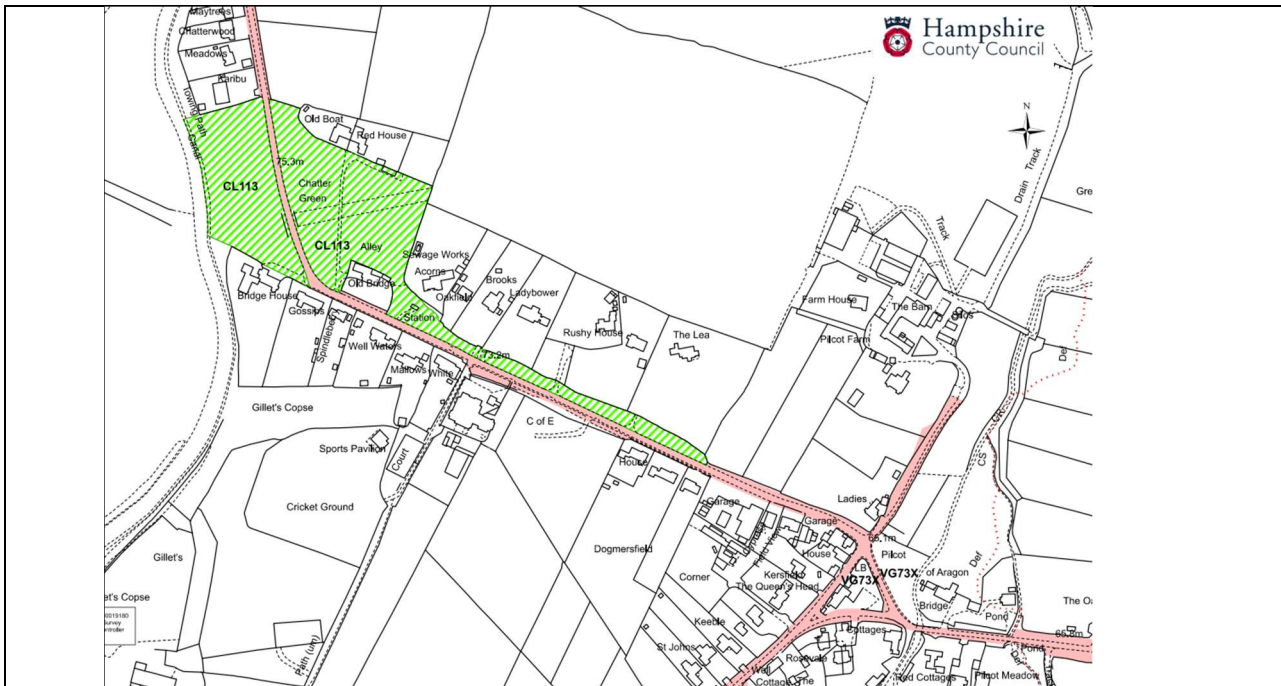


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23/148	<p>To consider the council's response to current planning applications including update on tree work applications</p> <p>Jane's Cottage (22/02423/FUL)</p> <p>An appeal was lodged by the applicant which failed validation at the Inspectorate since HDC had not included the reasons for refusal in their decision meaning that the original planning decision was not legally valid. It is unclear how this will move forward, and it will be monitored.</p>
23/149	<p>To update members on any new planning consultations, appeals and enforcements</p> <p>3/00823/FUL 22/01457/EIA And 22/01997/EIA Land at Ormersfield Farm, Crondall Road -</p> <p>Installation of a battery energy storage system with associated infrastructure and works including access to the public highway</p> <p>HDC has received additional information regarding drainage, biodiversity, landscaping and safety. The main issue is regarding fire safety with Hampshire Fire Service wanting (inter alia) better (dual) access to the site together with information on battery chemistry and safety systems before planning is approved; the applicant says dual access is impossible and is suggesting a compromise solution and wanting to delay submitting technical details of the batteries and safety systems until after planning has been approved and deal with them as a planning condition.</p> <p>DPC objected to the original application on 18 May 2022. Very few of the matters raised have been dealt with so far.</p> <p>In summary DPC should reissue an objection referring back to the original objection, commenting that fire safety is paramount, supporting the views of HFS and commenting that a matter of such importance should be dealt with before a decision is made on the application and not as a condition.</p> <p>Proposed AS, Seconded AF, all in favour</p>
23/150	<p>To update members on Highways and approve any actions</p> <p>Repair and Replace Dogmersfield white signs - Cllr Miles reports that Ian Janes from Highways has suggested they may be able to support on the village signs, either repair or replace, however this cannot be done until 2025/26 due to the 2024 budget already being allocated.</p> <p>Overgrown trees across the parish - Cllr Miles shared the below OPS map of Dogmersfield. Highways have mapped out the area that are under highway's jurisdiction in pink. They have confirmed they are responsible for the pink areas, however they do not own the common land shown in green.</p> <p>Options were discussed to maintain the area - DPC and residents to continue to enter all overgrown and problem trees into the Highway portal, or to commission a lengthsman to cut the problem area back.</p>



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ACTION – Cllr Miles to investigate who has the rights to the common land.

Unofficial Layby – this is still being investigated and options to see what can be done about protecting the infill.

SID – The SID was turned off but keep recording the speeds, it was reported that the vehicles were travelling on average around 2.5 miles per hour faster without the SID flashing.

Below are the two areas that Cllr Miles would like to discuss at the APA for potential CFI (Community Funded) projects-

Parking on Chatter Alley – The most likely option is to put white H bars in front of the houses, this option is not legally enforceable.

Parking at the canal bridge – Option is to put in dragons' teeth.

One member of the public has concerns about putting in Dragon's teeth, as this would make turning exceedingly difficult for agricultural vehicles

Cllr Fillis would also like to add another Sign further up the village with CFI, also to be discussed at the APA.



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23/151	<p>Finance and Regulatory Matters</p> <p>The Bank reconciliation – shows bank balance at Unity Trust at end of December, £16,174.04</p> <p>The following payments were presented for approval.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Fillis expenses for Compost and manure for the Cherry tree planting £14.98 <p>It was resolved to approve payments as listed above to be paid from Unity Trust bank account. Proposed SM, Seconded AS, all in favour.</p> <p>To approve the final draft of the precept form and sign:</p> <p>Following the approval of the budget for 2024/25 at last month's meeting, it was agreed that a precept of £14,332.50 would be requested. It was agreed that the form could be signed and submitted requesting this amount.</p> <p>It was approved that the precept will increase to £14332.50, and the form signed at the meeting.</p> <p>Proposed FC, Seconded AS all in favour</p>
23/152	<p>Correspondence received.</p> <p>None</p>
23/153	<p>Information sharing</p> <p>None</p>
23/154	<p>Dates of future meetings 2024</p> <p>Monday 12th February, Monday 11th March, Monday 15th April, Monday 13th May, Monday 10th June, Monday 8th July.</p>

Meeting closed at 8.30

Signed:

Date:

Abbreviation	In place of	Abbreviation	In place of
APA	Annual Parish Assembly	HDC	Hart District Council
CBF	Community Benefit Fund	NALC	National Association of Local Councils
CIL	Community Infrastructure Levy	NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework
DPC	Dogmersfield Parish Council	TBHSPA	Thames Valley Heaths Special Protection Area
HALC	Hampshire Association of Local Councils	SANG	Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace
HCC	Hampshire County Council		