



DOG MERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

Clerk: Sam Rowe

In attendance:

Members of the public: 4

County Councillor Chis Dorn

District councillor Tim Davies

24/056	<p>Welcome and apologies for absence.</p> <p>Cllr Simonds explained there were no apologies from Cllr Fillis since she has recently resigned. The Chair thanked Cllr Fillis for all her hard work with DPC as councillor, vice-chair and chair.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor Stephen Highley Councillor Jon Hale</p>
24/057	<p>To receive and note any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and requests for dispensation for items to be discussed.</p> <p>None</p>
24/058	<p>To approve the minutes of the council meeting of 10th June 2024</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting held on the 10th of June 2024 were approved as a true record of the meeting.</p> <p>The minutes were approved after the correction of titles for County Councilor Tim Davies and District County Councilor Chris Dorn.</p> <p>Proposed SM, Seconded FC all in favour.</p>
24/059	<p>To review matters arising from previous meetings</p> <p>The chair discussed the below topics that were discussed at the APA and June's DPC meeting.</p>



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	<p>DPC would like to commit to a newsletter for the Autumn.</p> <p>Cllr Tim Davies suggested that potentially a Defib sign on the telephone box might be a good idea and mentioned several parishes have telephone kiosks housing a defibrillator, Should DPC wish to renew their current sign that it be possible to team up with other parishes to get better pricing on signage.</p> <p>The survey of cars on Chatter Alley – Cllr Miles will investigate further over the summer. Add drainage to the agenda as a standing item</p> <p>The community BBQ was discussed - Food options, Budgets and potential numbers attending. It was confirmed the BBQ will be held on the 31st August and a welcome Drink with a Sausage/Burger will be offered to residents. This will be a free event. Cllr expenses to be approved in September's meeting up to the value of £500.</p> <p>Please also See Register of open actions</p>
24/060	<p>Announcements from the Chairman and Clerk</p> <p>None</p>
24/061	<p>County and District Councillor's reports</p> <p>Councillor Stephen Highley sent in the below report -</p> <p>In terms of report, the key item to cover relates to the recent set up of a Task and finish Group to review whether the Flood Forum is working well or not and still needed.</p> <p>I and two other Cllrs (Gill Butler and Robert Howard) have been asked to undertake this review working with Daryl Philips the Chief Executive.</p> <p>It is very early days: however, it is our intention to consult with Parish Council's particular those in areas where Flooding has been an issue.</p> <p>Once there is a plan outlined, I will let you know further details.</p> <p>Cllr Tim Davies outlined that he has reported the blocked drains again and is disappointed nothing has been done. He will be speaking to Ian Holt about the situation.</p> <p>Cllr Davies will raise the issue that there is no local polling station in Dogmersfield and that residents must travel to the WI hall in Crookham village to vote. Cllr Dorn advised he has raised this issue before, and the only option was the school. The solution is to encourage residents to use the postal voting service.</p> <p>Cllr Chris Dorn reports that after the elections Ranil Jayawardena has lost his seat for Northeast Hampshire. He will reach out to Alex Brewer the new MP to raise issues. 72% of Hart turned out to vote at this year's elections.</p> <p>Hart has been awarded a silver Certificate in the Armed Forces Covenant Employer Recognition Scheme. It recognises Hart commitment to supporting members of the Armed Forces community.</p>



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	<p>Edenbrook Country Park has now opened its new bike tracks.</p> <p>There is a meeting on July 11th to discuss Fly tpping and options on how to prevent it happening. The Planning department at Hart is overloaded and they are not meeting their planning deadlines, even with the new staff Hart have employed. They are currently trying to clear the backlog.</p> <p>There may be new planning/housing targets with the new government in power and a concern is a target to build more houses in rural areas.</p>
24/062	<p>Public Session</p> <p>None</p>
24/063	<p>To consider the council’s response to current planning applications including update on tree work applications</p> <p>24/00912/EIA Land On The West Side Crondall Road (Crondall PC) Proposed development of a Battery Energy Storage System. Information only at this stage.</p> <p>24/00726/FUL Jane's Cottage Church Lane Conversion of existing storage barn into two self-catering holiday lets - Appealed</p> <p>24/00100/LDC Pond House Church Lane Dogmersfield Hook Hampshire RG27 8TA Use of Land as Garden Associated with Pond House - Appealed</p>
24/064	<p>To update members on any new planning consultations, appeals and enforcements</p> <p>24/01093/FUL, Land at Dogmersfield Park Change of use of land to mixed use agricultural and equestrian and erection of equestrian facilities including stabling and ancillary residential accommodation.</p> <p>.</p> <p>Comments - DPC is supportive of the development of rural businesses which benefit the rural economy without harming country interests (DNP 1) and are therefore in principle supportive of this application. We also acknowledge the potential need for limited on-site ancillary accommodation but please note the comments below.</p> <p>The proposed development is adjacent to the Basingstoke Canal conservation area and whilst we welcome the additional screening proposed would ask that careful consideration be given to whether this is adequate to screen the development throughout the year.</p> <p>It is also likely to be visible from other public footpaths particularly across Dogmersfield Park and therefore the design of the building is important to comply with:</p> <p>DNP 3 - design in the setting of the conservation areas; and DNP 6 - landscape</p> <p>In our opinion the structure is unnecessarily high at c7.7m and note that the second story is to be used solely for accommodation which could be provided on the ground floor. Although the proposed materials are in keeping with the location (brick and featherboard) overall the building appears modern in style and as such is out of character with the rural area and potentially therefore in</p>



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	<p>contravention of DNP 3 and 6.</p> <p>Other matters - Should HDC be minded approving the application we would ask that conditions be imposed over the landscaping plan, the use of the building as stables and in particular the ancillary accommodation to ensure it is not later designated as residential. DNP 11 - dark skies should also be respected.</p> <p>Summary - Whilst DPC is supportive of this new rural business we object overall for the reasons stated above.</p> <p>Proposed AS, Seconded SM, All in favour.</p> <p>24/01357/LBC Pilcot Mill Installation of a fish and eel pass within the spillway of Pilcot Mill.</p> <p>No decision was made at this meeting, DPC will await the papers. It was agreed DPC will deal with this application remotely.</p> <p>Proposed AS, Seconded FC, All in favour.</p> <p>24/01223/HOU Sanquhar Church Lane Demolition of existing front porch and erection of a smaller canopy structure. Demolition of existing single storey garage and erection of a 1.5 storey side extension and associated dormer. Alterations to fenestration and glass balustrade to existing balcony.</p> <p>The planning application was discussed and the below was proposed.</p> <p>DPC have no objection to the proposals in respect of the dwelling and if HDC are minded to approve we would ask that materials are conditioned and are appropriate for use in a conservation area. Also, since Church Lane is very narrow we would also ask that a condition be imposed that all construction vehicles are parked on the driveway and not on the very narrow lane.</p> <p>We object to the proposals for the new access since it is in conflict with DNP 8 (trees and hedgerows) and would have a detrimental effect on the street scene in the conservation area. If HDC are minded approving this element of the application, we would ask that a careful analysis of visibility splays be performed, and consideration be given to seeking mitigation for the loss of biodiversity in accordance with obligations under the Environment Protection Act.</p> <p>Proposed AS, Seconded SM all in favour.</p>
24/065	<p>To update members on Highways and approve any actions Cllr Miles has continually reported the drains on Church Lane, and recently the case was closed a few days later without any investigation. The same has happened when Cllr Davies reported the drains. Cllr Davies will be speaking to Ian Holt to raise these concerns.</p>



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	<p>The SID is being moved every third week, however due to the increased volumes in traffic the battery is not lasting for the three weeks. Cllr Miles will look at the data and report back in September's meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Miles met with Alistair Macadam from Highways to discuss the 3 proposals for the next phase of CFI (Community Funded Initiative)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Introduction of a warning sign on the stretch of Chatter Alley before the corner to try to ensure people really have slowed down before the school2. Replacement of the existing parish boundary sign with a white gate / Welcome to Dogmersfield sign3. Installation of dragon's teeth (or equivalent) to stop on-road parking at the canal bridge <p>Alistair has advised all 3 proposals are achievable through CFI monies and will have a proposal by the end of the year.</p>
24/066	<p>Finance and Regulatory Matters To consider financial & regulatory matters and approve monthly accounts and payments.</p> <p>The bank reconciliation shows that we are holding £24,645.76. As of the 4th July we are also holding £28,099 in the Unity trust bank account due to the closure of Hampshire trust bank account. It was agreed that the Clerk will open an instant access saving account with Unity trust straight away and transfer over the £28,099. The clerk will look into a NALC pool of funds.</p> <p>Proposed AS, seconded RS, all in favour.</p> <p>Finance and Regulatory Matters To consider financial & regulatory matters and approve monthly accounts and payments</p> <p>To Approve the below payments - Hart - Uncontested Election Fees £24.00</p> <p>Proposed AS , Seconded FC , All in favour.</p>
24/067	<p>Information Sharing</p> <p>Cllr Simonds, Cllr Stacpole and Cllr Cathie all attended the new councillors training and reported back that it was very informative.</p> <p>Cllr Miles has assembled a group of residents to discuss the input of the CBF funds. They have come up with 4 pillars of ideas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 – Contribute to the school, such as a garden at the of the front of the landholding.2 – Potential funding for the church; such as the bell room becoming a community area.3 – To improve residents' quality of life by providing: bike racks outside the pub, dog bowls, bee hives, a war memorial.4 - Footpaths across the church and the village green <p>The next step is to discuss more widely with the Parish, at the parish BBQ</p> <p>Cllr Simonds would like to explore the option to gift power tools in the parish.</p>



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	<p>Thames water – Cllr Stacpoole reported</p> <p>The case has now been escalated to the second stage of the Thames water complaints process. The case now has a new Complaints Advisor.</p> <p>A request has been made that all the cases reported are combined.</p> <p>Thames water would like residents to keep reporting the issues, so they keep an accurate record as they occur.</p> <p>Thames water have suggested a resident meeting to provide a technical update of their investigations.</p> <p>After a discussion it was agreed that all Cllrs would like Cllr Stacpoole to organise the meeting with Thames Water.</p>
24/068	<p>Correspondence received.</p> <p>None</p>
24/069	<p>Dates of future meetings 2024,</p> <p>September 9th, October 14th, November 11th, December 9th</p>

Meeting closed at

9.20pm

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		