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Minutes of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL held in the VILLAGE HALL, DATCHET on WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY 2024, at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr. D. Buckley (Chairman), Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. Mrs M. Davies, Cllr I. Thompson, Cllr D. Sanders, Cllr I. Bacon, Cllr C. Wise

In attendance: Clerk - Mrs S. Masikito, Admin – Ms C. Jeffries, Borough. Cllr J. Grove

Public: There were 3 members of the public present

24/38 APOLOGIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive and approve members apologies for absence (and the reasons).

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D. Loveridge, Cllr S. Glover, Cllr T. O'Flynn, Cllr L O'Flynn

Absent without apologies: Cllr A. Clemens, Cllr S. Young

24/39 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Limited to 2 minutes a person and 10 minutes maximum in total.

None.

24/40 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are required to declare any financial or personal interests arising from the agenda.

None.

24/41 CONSIDER ENCROACHMENT /TRESPASS OF LAND AT MILL PLACE

- I. **Motion 1 - Datchet Parish Council takes immediate action to stop further encroachment on the Land at Mill Place and to have all buildings, fencing, gates, vehicles, livestock etc. removed and the area reinstated.**

DECISION: Cllr E. Larcombe proposed the motion, this was seconded by Cllr M. Davies and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** by Cllr. D. Buckley, Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. Mrs M. Davies, Cllr I. Thompson, Cllr D. Sanders, Cllr I. Bacon and Cllr C. Wise

- II. **Motion 2 - Datchet Parish Council takes action to stop repeated and further encroachment by securing the southern boundary (map points L to J) of the Land at Mill Place as a matter of urgency.**

DECISION: Cllr E. Larcombe proposed the motion, this was seconded by Cllr D. Sanders and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** by Cllr. D. Buckley, Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. Mrs M. Davies, Cllr I. Thompson, Cllr D. Sanders, Cllr I. Bacon and Cllr C. Wise

- III. **Motion 3 -Datchet Parish Council takes action to inspect and report on the condition of the LAMP including the boundary fences (map points B to J).**

DECISION: Cllr D. Buckley proposed to amend the motion to remove map points B to J and to inspect the whole site including the boundary fences. This was seconded by Cllr D. Sanders and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** by Cllr. D. Buckley, Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. Mrs M. Davies, Cllr I. Thompson, Cllr D. Sanders, Cllr I. Bacon and Cllr C. Wise

24/42 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Cllr I. Thompson said that he alongside Cllr E. Larcombe, surveyed part of the area some time back and found that the fences were rotted and damaged meaning the boundary was not clear. He said a new survey and photos will bring this up to date.

Cllr D. Buckley stated that now the motions had been passed, this will be on the next council meeting agenda with an update on any progress.

ACTION: Clerk to put on June's agenda

24/43 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: *(Only for clarification relating to matters discussed on the agenda and limited to 2 minutes a person and 10 minutes maximum total)*

Resident one asked to offer some information. It was said that when a character assessment was carried out on the land at Mill Place, the travelling community said they used the land as a pedestrian short cut to Datchet Health Centre and St Mary's School so to take into account the land is used for pedestrians. She also said that Jo Stickland used to regularly inspect the land in 2019, when she was Chair of the council.

Resident two said he felt bewildered and disappointed that the council had known about the encroachment for the last few weeks and that we had called an extraordinary meeting only to decide on motions at this point. He asked if we had written to the people that have encroached on the land or the parish councillor that lives down there.

Cllr D. Buckley advised we are working as quickly as possible but the extraordinary meeting was required first to look at motions before we can decide on what action to take. He advised the Clerk is taking legal advice and is in the process of seeking out costs for any action we take at different levels.

ACTION: Clerk to put update on June's agenda

24/44 NEXT MEETING

**THE NEXT FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD
ON MONDAY 10TH JUNE 2024**

Meeting Closed at 7:34pm

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CHAIRMAN