



# Datchet Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF THE DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026 AT 7.00PM

**Present:** (9 Members) Cllr. S. Young (Chair), Cllr. C. Wise, Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. M. Davies,  
Cllr I. Thompson, Cllr. B. Picot, Cllr. D. Sanders, T. O’Flynn, Cllr A. Clemens

**In attendance:** Clerk – Mrs. S. Masikito, Finance Assistant - Mrs J. Freeland

**Borough Councillors Present:** Cllr. E. Larcombe, Cllr. J. Grove

**Public:** There were 4 members of the public present.

Technical fault – no recording available

### 25/246 APOLOGIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apologies for absence were received from: Cllr. D. Buckley, Cllr. I. Bacon, Cllr. A. Buck, Cllr A. Whelan

### 25/247 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

**Resident 1** – Asked the following

- i) Agenda item 25/253 b), why the noticeboard will be so large and where will it be positioned on the riverside, which is in the conservation area?
- ii) Agenda item 25/270, why is this being discussed in a Part II, when previously these issues had been considered during the public meeting?

Cllr I. Thompson responded i) there is a need for noticeboard of a certain size so boat and riverside users can read the conditions and notices. A position has not yet been agreed.

**ACTION:** The Clerk confirmed that she would take advice from the conservation officer.

The Clerk responded ii) 2 quotes had been received which need to be properly considered. If members agreed this item could go to the next meeting.

Members would vote on this at the end of this part of the meeting.

**Resident 2** – Asked the Council to confirm if an extension to the response date for planning application 26/00044-14 Eton Road had been requested. The Clerk confirmed that an extension to the response date had been requested.

### 25/248 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

### 25/249 MINUTES

- a. To agree that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**RESOLVED:** The Chairman signed off the minutes as an accurate representation of the meeting,  
**UNANIMOUSLY AGREED**

- b. To agree that the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Council meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2026 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**RESOLVED:** The Chairman signed off the minutes as an accurate representation of the meeting.  
**AGREED**

**25/250 MATTERS ARISING**

25/219 ii) Cllr I. Thompson advised that he had circulated a paper on the Datchet Common Brook to all councillors.

**25/251 GENERAL**

- a. Chairmans report – No report.
- b. Clerks report – No report.

**25/252 PLANNING**

To agree responses to new applications listed on the attached planning addendum and note Planning Decisions.

**RESOLVED:** A vote was taken and the recommendations made were approved. This was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** - *See Appendix A*

**ACTION:**

- a. Other planning matters, including any new

**i.106 Allocations**

None.

**ii. Enforcement Matter**

Cllr E. Larcombe raised concerns at the increasing airport parking within Datchet's road and spaces

**ACTION:** Cllrs B.Picot and Cllr A. Whelan to write to the Borough Council asking enforcement to look into this issue.

**25/253 FINANCE**

- a. To approve income and expenditure up to **6<sup>th</sup> February 2026** – Chairman to sign the pink sheet (paper). Note: Expenditure under delegated authority is highlighted in yellow

**RESOLVED:** The income and expenditure reports were approved and signed. This was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** – *See Appendix B*

- b. To approve the quote of £3,375.00 for the riverside noticeboard (paper). Artwork costs will be an additional £350.00

**RESOLVED:** This quote was approved. It was proposed by Cllr I. Thompson, seconded by Cllr D. Sanders and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED**.

- c. To note legal fees incurred in relation to the AL39 planning application, totaling £7,281.02.

**RESOLVED:** It was noted.

- d. Councillors Questions – None.

**25/254 ADMINISTRATION**

None.

**25/255 CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**25/256 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:**

Borough Cllr. J. Grove commented on i) Borough Council finance and reduced Government funding which was making it difficult to work out the Council Tax, ii) airport/business parking is a huge problem and she has reported some of these and iii) due to recent heavy rain Thames Water was not carrying out septic tank collections.

Borough Cllr. E. Larcombe referred to i) the Budget Meeting 03/02/2026 being postponed and ii) the concern that with the heavy rainfalls the river water is coming.

**25/257 GROUNDS**

- a. Lead Councillors report – Report circulated. Cllr I. Thompson  
The Lead Councillor added that he had been looking at the tree survey reports and bridge report.
- b. Councillor’s Questions  
None.

**25/258 CEMETERY**

- a. Lead Councillors report - Report circulated. Cllr C. Wise  
The Lead Councillor informed members of an incident which had taken place at the cemetery, which had been reported to the Police and spoke of the need to proceed with the additional CCTV in the cemetery. It also highlighted the need to update the cemetery regulations to include abuse of staff. She updated members on the Mortuary Store and advised that the Chapel capstone would be manufactured by the end of March and installed soon after.  
**ACTION:** Mortuary Store electrical quote and Cemetery CCTV quote to be added to March’s agenda.
- b. Councillor’s Questions  
Cllr E. Larcombe asked for information on the incident at the Cemetery and was advised that this was not in the public interest.

**25/259 EVENTS**

- a. Lead Councillors report – No report. Cllr A. Clemens  
The Lead Councillor commented on the need for approval for the Ellis Journey, although he was not sure if this event would take place due to their lack of funding, but the proposed dates are 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> July.  
**RESOLVED:** It was approved to support the Ellis Journey in principle for the dates 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> July. It was proposed by Cllr A. Clemens, seconded by Cllr E. Larcombe and **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**.  
He also advised that he was looking at the idea of a Summer festival, and would be looking at funding options.
- b. Councillor’s Questions - None.

**25/260 PROPERTIES**

- a. Lead Councillors report – Report circulated. Cllr D. Sanders
- b. Councillor’s Questions  
Cllr E. Larcombe asked when the library windows would be replaced. The Lead Councillor advised that he was still awaiting one quote for the protection of the windows and he would be obtaining a sample of this protection. The windows would not be replaced until this had been agreed.  
Cllr I. Thompson asked about The Bridge ceiling and asked if the area where the kitchen pipework had been moved could be backfilled. The Lead Councillor advised that there was some brick work to be carried out and that there was also an issue with 24A The Green, for which he was awaiting a 2<sup>nd</sup> quote, which would need to come back to the Council. The kitchen area would be dealt with once the other items were dealt with. He also advised that scaffolding would need to be erected to deal with the chimney re-pointing.  
**ACTION:** Chase 2<sup>nd</sup> quote and bring back to Council.

**25/261 HIGHWAYS**

- a. Lead Councillors report –No report. Cllr. A. Whelan  
Cllr B. Picot advised he was awaiting the minutes and recommendations from the Highway consultation.
- b. Councillor’s Questions  
Cllr A. Clemens advised he had been reporting pot holes within the village to the Borough Council and encouraged all to do the same.  
Cllr E. Larcombe suggested a note go on the Parish Council website explaining how to report pot holes to RBWM.  
**ACTION:** Advise parishioners how to report pot holes to RBWM on the Parish Council website.

## **25/262 FLOODING AND DRAINAGE**

- a. Lead Councillors report – Report circulated. Cllr. I. Thompson  
Cllr I. Thompson commented on the condition of Black Potts Bridge and suggested that a note be put on the Parish Councils website advising of the unsafe pedestrian bridge.  
**ACTION:** Post on Parish Council website unsafe condition of Black Potts pedestrian bridge.
- b. Councillor’s Questions  
Cllr E. Larcombe referred to the 3 gates at Taplow, with 1 being out of action and the possibility of the gates being open and the worsening conditions.  
Cllr A. Clemens referred to the marker at Black Potts which was not recording data, Cllr I. Thompson was aware of this and taken it up with the EA.

## **25/263 COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. Lead Councillors report – No report. Cllr. A. Whelan  
It was noted that the press release regarding ‘Datchet Residents raise alarm over RBWM’s inconsistent, planning strategy, enforcement and democratic imbalance’ was available on dropbox.
- b. Councillor’s Questions - None

## **25/264 WORKING GROUPS**

- a. To receive update for the Datchet Neighbourhood Plan Delivery and Monitoring Group (DMG) (*If necessary*)  
It was noted that the minutes of the work group meeting of the 07.01.26 had been circulated.
- b. Heritage and Monuments Working Group – To appoint a new council member.  
**RESOLVED:** It was approved that Cllr T. O’Flynn be appointed to the Heritage and Monuments Working Group. It was proposed by Cllr T. O’Flynn, seconded by Cllr B. Picot and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED**
- c. To note meeting notes for Heritage and Monuments Working Group dated 22.01.2026 have been received and circulated.  
**RESOLVED:** Noted
- d. Councillor’s Questions  
Cllr S. Young advised that due to Cllr I. Bacon being unavailable and Cllr Glover’s resignation no meeting of the strategic working group had taken place. She asked that the DNPG send their notes to her and she would look into setting up a meeting when possible.  
**ACTION:** DNPG to send their notes on the Long Term Strategic Vision to Cllr S. Young.

## **25/265 COMMITTEES**

- a. To receive reports from committees (If necessary) - None.  
Cllr C. Wise advised that applications had been received for the Deputy Clerk position.
- b. Councillor’s Questions – None.

## **25/266 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

None.

## **25/267 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Cllr E. Larcombe commented on the parish council election which is scheduled on 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026. He also commented on the DRCCT and the Chair advised that this was not a debate for this meeting and advised that it is with the solicitors and Charity Commission.  
Cllr C. Wise commented on the ongoing bullying in the workplace, which would not be tolerated.

Cllr A. Clemens informed members that The Stag Public House had stopped serving food and that the current landlord would not be renewing his lease when it expires and expressed the need to write to BBHT to express concern about this issue.

Following on from agenda item 25/247 the Chair asked members to vote on whether the PART II agenda items should take place in a Part II at this meeting.

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed to bring these items back to the next meeting of the Council.

**25/268 DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Council meeting will be Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

**Noted.**

**25/269 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC – PART II The Chairman will move that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by virtue of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

**25/270 TREE WORKS**

To consider two quotations for tree works arising from the tree surveyor's report, approve a preferred option, and appoint the appointment of a contractor. (Cllr I. Thompson) (paper)

**RESOLVED:** Add to 9<sup>th</sup> March agenda.

**25/271 LAMP FLY TIPPING CLEARANCE**

To consider two quotations received for LAMP fly-tipping rubbish clearance, determine the preferred option, and approve the appointment of a contractor. (Cllr I. Thompson) (paper)

**RESOLVED:** Add to 9<sup>th</sup> March agenda.

**Meeting closed at 8:06pm**

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**CHAIRMAN**

**DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL  
PLANNING ADDENDUM**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** If you have any comments which you would like the Council to take into consideration when responding please email [clerk@datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk) and these will be passed onto the Lead Member for Planning.

**Applications to be considered at the meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

<b>APPLICATIONS RECEIVED</b>			
<b>Application No / Type</b>	<b>Application Site</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Datchet PC /DNP Comments</b>
26/00234 Full	99 Montagu Road Datchet SL3 9DX	Partially enclosed detached outbuilding (retrospective)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Objection</b></p> <p>We do not feel the flood risk assessment mitigates the flood risk being passed onto adjoining properties with no drainage for main floor that is not permeable.</p> <p>DNP DAT 10 is applicable, particularly parts B &amp; C</p> <p>The FRA says the sustainable drainage will be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rainwater Harvesting: Where feasible, rainwater will be stored for reuse, reducing surface water runoff from the site.</li> <li>2. Infiltration Techniques: Permeable paving and/or soakaways will be employed to promote on-site infiltration, subject to soil permeability.</li> </ol> <p>The FRA also says: rainwater from the roof will be directed to a soakaway, gravel trench, or permeable garden area, the application drawing does not show any of this being in place.</p>
25/03008 Listed Building Consent	DPC – Cemetery Lodge 38 Ditton Road, Datchet, SL3 9LS	Consent for a change of use of the former mortuary building to a wardens utility room to include internal works associated to the installation of a WC, lighting, ventilation, fire rated cupboard & repair works to the ceiling, external works to include repairs to doors, frames and rainwater goods, re-point and replace brickwork and remove paintwork to rear elevation.	<b>No Objection</b> DAT 2
26/00075 Permitted Development Extended	10 Fairfield Avenue Datchet SL3 9NQ	2no. single storey rear extensions no greater than 6.00m in depth, 3.10m high with an eaves height of 3.00m.	<b>No Objection</b> Relevant DNP DAT 2 and DAT 10 Flood Zone 2
26/00088 Full	Fairfield Fairfield Avenue Datchet SL3 9NQ	1no. ground and 1no. first floor front bay window, two storey rear extension, hip to gable, loft conversion and alterations to fenestration.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Objection</b></p> <p>As the applicant has not mitigated against the recommendations from the refusal on applications 25/00812/FULL and the dismissed appeal 25/60079/REF and still presents a proposed development, by virtue of its height, scale and design, is considered to be over dominant and disproportionate to</p>

			the original dwelling DAT2 A - b - c DAT2 B
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**APPLICATIONS DECIDED**

<b>Application No / Type</b>	<b>Application Site</b>	<b>DPC Comments</b>	<b>RBWM Decisions</b>
25/01583 Variation Under Reg 73	Land to the Rear of 45 to 63 London Road Datchet	Objection	Permitted
25/02700 Discharge of Condition	Land to the Rear of 45 to 63 London Road Datchet	Objection	Approve Discharge of Condition
25/02986 Full	3 Holmlea Walk Datchet SL3 9EW	No Objection	Permitted
25/03073 Full	15 Lawn Close Datchet SL3 9JZ	No Objection	Permitted
25/03169 Full	96 London Road Datchet SL3 9LH	No Objection	Permitted
25/03177 Full	14 Eton Road Datchet SL3 9AY	Objection	Refuse
25/03192 Works to Trees in Conservation Area	8 Riverside Garden Moorings Windsor Road Datchet SL3 9BR	No Objection	Permitted
25/03342 Permitted Development Extended	19 Linchfield Road Datchet SL3 9NA	No Objection	Refuse

**APPEAL IN PROGRESS**

<b>Application No/Type</b>	<b>Application Site</b>	<b>DPC Comments</b>	<b>Appeal Decision</b>
25/01843 Full	14 Priory Way Datchet SL3 9JQ	No Objection	

Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Supplier A/c Name	Net Value	VAT	Invoice Total	Analysis Description	Power	Legislation	Approved By Clerk&
30.01.26	89303	APEX FASTENERS	315.36	63.07	378.43	Purchase of Materials	*Ancillary Power	LGA1972 s.111	Clr IT
08.02.26	DD-FEB	BRITISH GAS	320.05	16.00	336.05	8 Horton Road-Gas-DD 02/25	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr DS
13.01.26	10008860003	CASTLE WATER	3.14	0.00	3.14	Water-Parish Yard 12/25	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr IT
05.02.26	10009055969	CASTLE WATER	5.73	0.00	5.73	Water-Parish Yard 01/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr IT
03.02.26	10008953775	CASTLE WATER	5.73	0.00	5.73	Water-Memorial Green 01/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr DL
03.02.26	10008953775	CASTLE WATER	5.73	0.00	5.73	Water-North Green 01/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr DL
03.02.26	10008985999	CASTLE WATER	72.28	0.00	72.28	Water-Cemetery 01/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr CW
01.02.26	15957	CIVICLY	138.00	27.60	165.60	Civcly Subscription 02/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
31.01.26	31012026	COMPUTER SERVICES	215.99	0.00	215.99	PC Support 01/26 Electricity 01/26-P Office/V Hall, P	computer,purchases&maint or,purchase software	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
04.02.26	60165561	CORONA ENERGY	986.63	105.84	1,092.47	Yard, 8 Horton Rd, Mortuary Store	*Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr DS
31.01.26	25/26-018	DAS CONTRACTED HM	1,320.00	0.00	1,320.00	Groundworks 01/26	Power to provide & manage rec grd, open spaces etc	Public Health Act 1875 s.164	Clr DL
31.01.26	EXP01/26	DAS CONTRACTED HM	131.77	26.35	158.12	Materials	*Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr DL
14.01.26	1173	GHP SERVICES	600.00	0.00	600.00	24 The Green-Call Out-Tap Leak & Pipe Lagging	Parish Properties, maintenance of	LGA 1984 s.8(1)(i)	Clr DS
31.01.26	PSI-1430255	GRUNDON	222.06	44.41	266.47	Cemetery-Waste Removal 01/26	Power to contribute to expenses maint. Cemeteries	LGA 1972 s.214 (6)	Clr CW
20.01.26	6347	HPSS LTD	190.00	38.00	228.00	Library-Gas Safety Check 01/26	Parish Properties, maintenance of	LGA 1984 s.8(1)(i)	Clr DS
23.02.26	ICO	ICO	52.00	0.00	52.00	Data Protection 25/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
31.01.26	EXP01/26	J.FREELAND	16.72	0.83	17.55	Diary/Tea/Milk etc	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
15.01.26	72370	LAMPS & TUBES	1,951.75	390.35	2,342.10	Xmas Lights Removal/Support	Power to provide to attract visitors	LGA 1972 s.144	Clr IT
29.12.25	29122025	LLOYDS	110.74	21.55	132.29	Christmas Cards/Telephone	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
31.01.26	6310364509	LYRECO	253.09	48.52	301.61	Stationery/Milk/Shredder	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
01.02.26		MAINSTREAM DIGITAL	60.50	12.10	72.60	Telephone Line Rental/Broadband 02/26	*Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
31.12.25	20294	NGL BOX GREEN	520.00	104.00	624.00	Estimated - Groundworks 01/26 - Awaiting Invoice	Power to provide & manage rec grd, open spaces etc	Public Health Act 1875 s.164	Clr DL
30.01.26	83807	PLAY INSPECTION CO.	180.00	36.00	216.00	Playarea Inspections 01/26	Power to provide & manage pleasure grounds	Public Health Act 1875 s.164	Clr IT
12.01.26	191810	PROJECTORPOINT	2,287.00	457.40	2,744.40	Replacement Projector - Village Hall - Paid	Parish Properties, maintenance of	LGA 1984 s.8(1)(i)	Clr DS
31.01.26	RDF041	RDF SERVICES	1,452.00	0.00	1,452.00	Admin, Finance & Budget Work 01/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
28.01.26	DRAFT	RICHARD BUXTON SOLICITORS	5,841.19	1,168.03	7,009.22	Professional Charges 45-63 London Road	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111 / LGPSR 2013	Fin Com
09.02.26	Feb26	SALARIES/PENSION	4,962.71	0.00	4,962.71	Salaries/Pension 021/26	Salaries/Pension Contributions	(S12013/2356)	Fin Com
01.02.26	15888	SCRIBE ACCOUNTS	45.00	9.00	54.00	Scribe Cemetery Monthly Subs 02/26	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr CW
31.01.26	293017	SHORTS GROUP LTD	396.95	79.39	476.34	Dog Waste Removal 01/26	*Ancillary Power	LG(FP)A 1963 s.5	Clr DL
31.01.26	162522	TENCER LTD	216.00	43.20	259.20	V-Hall Boiler & Cooker Safety Certs	Parish Properties, maintenance of	LGA 1984 s.8(1)(i)	Clr DS
11.01.26	984945070058	THREE BUSINESS	27.00	5.40	32.40	Mobile Phone Bill & CCTV Sim 12/25	Telephone Account	LG(FP)A 1963 s.5	Fin Com
22.01.26	Invoice	WILLIAM FAICHNEY	72.00	0.00	72.00	PAT Testing-Office	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Fin Com
22.01.26	Invoice	WILLIAM FAICHNEY	106.00	0.00	106.00	PAT Testing-Parish Yard	* Ancillary Power	LGA 1972 s.111	Clr IT
			£23,083.12	£2,697.04	£25,780.16				

**Datchet Parish Council  
Current Account  
Cash Received between 01/01/2026 and 31/01/2026**

Date	Cash Received from	Receipt Description	Receipt Total
02/01/2026	B S BENNETT	38 Ditton Rd-Rent 01/26	1,300.00
02/01/2026	B S BENNETT	24A The Green-Rent 01/26	1,200.00
02/01/2026	B S BENNETT	38 Ditton Rd-Manage Fee 01/26	-156.00
02/01/2026	B S BENNETT	24A The Green-Manage Fee 01/26	-158.40
02/01/2026	DATCHET HEALTH CENTRE	Rent Q4	4,875.00
12/01/2026	David White	Purchase Grave & Interment E215	2,741.00
27/01/2026	HMRC	VAT Refund Q3	8,240.88
08/01/2026	MR KEET	Plot Purchase Payment	192.00
26/01/2026	DATCHET FC	Recharge Electricity Clubhouse	234.48
27/01/2026	DATCHET FC	Recharge Electricity C/Rooms	169.62
		<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£18,638.58</b>