

# Datchet Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, ALLEN WAY, DATCHET ON MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> AUG 2018 AT 19:30

Present: Cllrs Mrs. J. Stickland (Chairman), Mrs. M. Davies, E. Larcombe, L. O'Flynn, T. A. J. O'Flynn, I. Thompson, H. Clasper, A. Clemens (19:37), Miss K. Fitzgerald (20:23)  
Mrs. K. Jones - Clerk to the Council. Miss K. Hillis

Apologies: Cllr J. Grey.

There were 8 members of the public present.

**18.050 ANNOUNCEMENTS** – The Clerk advised of the Joint Mineral and Waste Plan exhibition in the Village Hall on 4<sup>th</sup> September. Councillors were advised to attend as this will be on the agenda for the September meeting for decision.

**18.051 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – i) A resident asked for the previous minutes to state that a councillor was cautioned in the meeting on 2 occasions under correspondence, reference to Datchet Village Hall. The Chairman said that the councillor was 'corrected' on the allegations and not 'cautioned'.

ii) A resident stated that the allegations were numerous from certain councillors and it was unsubstantiated criticism. They asked when will councillors stop persecuting the Datchet Village Hall Management Committee and would like to see councillors thank DVHMC for all work that has been done over the years and for all to work for the village in a positive way.

iii) A resident referred to item 18.039 in the minutes regarding the Railway, would like the minutes to state 'Agreed' at the end of the item.

iv) A resident stated that the zebra crossing by the Bridge Café is dangerous referring to the recent serious accident and asked can it be turned into a Pelican crossing with cameras and a speed limit be put in place? Chairman replied that the change of status has to go through RBWM and the Police. She has sent emails and is trying to arrange a meeting on site. It is on the agenda tonight under Highways to discuss in more detail.

v) A resident also asked regarding reinstating the Post Office in the village and will there be any chance of this happening before Christmas? Cllr Thompson replied that a local business is looking into this and going through planning process

vi) A resident advised of the meeting on Wednesday in Horton for the Bus Service and could a councillor attend.

**18.052 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – Cllr Clasper gave a declaration of interest for planning application no: 18/02108 as it is opposite where he lives and he has submitted an objection. Cllr Clemens made a declaration of interest regarding football.

**18.053 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2018**  
Page 11.18.040 **Add** after "...*what is the problem*". The Chairman made the 2 councillors aware that their allegations were not withstanding. Also spelling correction Bullying not *Bulling* and page 14 18.049 should read Myrke not *Myke*.  
The minutes were approved with the above amendments as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**18.054 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES**

Page 10. 18.038 Cllr Larcombe asked if we've had a response from Transport Research. Clerk replied not yet.

Page 11. 18.040 Cllr Larcombe asked if the letter to DVMC has been sent. Clerk replied that it has been drafted however not sent yet.

Page 11. 18.040 Cllr Clasper referred to DHEF meeting stating that no bank statements were available and have never been presented at any meeting, and confirmed that the meetings are not open to the public.

Page 13. 18.046 Cllr Darban asked regarding the Parish Yard replacement. Chairman stated the building should have been erected last week and after phoning the CEO to express dissatisfaction that the builder hadn't turned up found he was unaware of this. A new builder will be here week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> for 5-6 days.

Page 12. 18.044 Cllr Thompson gave apologies that could attend the Urban Planning meeting as clashed with another.

*Chairman proposed to bring Item 1 on Highways forward. Seconded by Cllr Thompson. **ALL IN FAVOUR***

#### **18.055 HIGHWAYS**

i) Regarding the serious accident on the pedestrian crossing by the Bridge Café the Chairman sent an email on 24<sup>th</sup> July to 5 officers in TVP and asked if they were aware of the incident and how do DPC go about changing the type of the zebra crossing to a controlled one. She was advised that once TVP have completed their investigations RBWM will then come out to do a site visit. After discussions and concerns raised the Chairman suggested writing a forceful letter to the Traffic Project Centre, copying in Alison Alexander and the Leader of the Borough Council, stipulating that in addition to the recent serious accident, due to the inconvenience of the trains, traffic in the village is impatient and can't wait resulting in them breaking the law and driving across the zebra crossing on the wrong side. Several incidents have occurred seriously affecting the safety of pedestrians in the village. *Chairman to write.*

Cllr Clemens requested residents to email photos and videos for him to pass on which must be must time stamped and dated.

Chairman opened the discussion to the public; a resident had a solution of a potential one-way system and was happy to draw up a plan and show the council. The Chairman asked the VCWG to invite him to the next meeting.

Another resident stated that there should be more police present through the village so they can see exactly what is happening. Chairman advised that will be meeting Sgt Jinks on Wednesday and will raise this and regarding the new police officer who was appointed 4 months ago.

#### **18.056 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk read out an email from the Datchet Village Society regarding the War Memorial and the proposal to have the names of 11 missing soldiers added at the bottom in time for Remembrance Day. It was proposed by Cllr Clemens, and seconded by Cllr T. O'Flynn that the 11 missing names being added to the Memorial in time for the village's centenary commemorations. **ALL IN FAVOUR** with Cllr Larcombe abstaining as he believed there is not enough evidence. Cllr Clasper advised him to approach Ms Crampin who has all the evidence on DVS website. *Clerk to advise the DVS.*

#### **18.057 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

The Lead member presented the payment sheets for consideration.

Cllr Clasper advised the quarterly payment on new rent for the Health Centre has been paid as agreed.

Cllr Thompson asked to have the ditch clearance costs put in a new code as it now is a project to keep an eye on account relevant to drainage. Cllr Clasper and the Clerk explained that yes can set up a code but there is no project budget till next year.

It was Proposed by Cllr Clasper and Seconded by Cllr Clemens that the payments sheet be approved. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

It was Proposed by Cllr Clasper and Seconded by Cllr Clemens that the income sheet be approved. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

## **18.058 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Chairman presented the planning application list. The decisions being as follows;

**18/01928 – Eton Lodge 52 Eton Road Datchet** Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) (under section 73) of planning approval 17/03842/FULL (single storey side/rear extension) to change the roof of the extension from pitched to a flat roof. – Members had **Objections** to this application on the grounds it will change the street scene and have a detrimental effect on the appearance of the property which will lose the character of Datchet

**18/01982 – 1 Manor Houses the Green Datchet** Details required by condition 2 (proposed render) of listed building consent 17/02742 for consent for single storey rear extension and alterations to first floor rear fenestration following demolition of existing two storey rear extension. – Members requested more information on this application as insufficient information is given.

**18/02098 – 9 Trent Villas Datchet Place Datchet** Two storey side extension following demolition of existing garage, single storey rear extension replacement and new steps to front elevation, replacement steps and elevated patio to rear elevation. – Members had **Objections** to this application due to it being over development of the property in the flood plain and it could potentially be turned into 2 dwellings.

**18/02120 – 6 Datchet Place Datchet** Proposed demolition of existing single storey extension and erection of new single storey rear extension. – Members had **No Objections** to this application as it is mirroring the neighbour's properties plans.

**18/02108 – 23 Riverside Gardens Moorings Windsor Road** New entrance gates, vehicular access and hardstanding. – Members had **Strong Objections** to this application on the grounds of it being a change of use of the land from private garden to residential. It is also in flood zone 3, in the Green Belt and on a dangerous location on the road.

**18/02227 – Thames Water Southlea Road Water Intake Station Southlea Road Datchet** New vehicular access. – Members had **No Objections** to this application.

**18/02308 – 5 Cobb Close Datchet** New rear conservatory. – Members had **No Objections** to this application.

## **18.059 BOROUGH PLANNING DECISIONS**

Members noted the Borough Planning Decisions as on the planning addendum and additional addendum dated 13.08.18.

## **18.060 PLANNING GENERAL**

i) 106 allocation of £90,258.31 has been confirmed but payment hasn't been received yet.

*Clerk to chase RBWM*

ii) Chairman advised of enforcement email sent regarding Liquid Leisure to Jennifer Jackson and Alison Alexander. The investigation is still ongoing. The team visited on Friday last week and waiting on an update.

iii) Whites Lane; still awaiting update however.

iv) Land rear of 270 Horton Road is going to public enquiry and have registered to speak but council needs to agree who will be the representative. Cllr Clasper put himself forward.

Chairman Proposed Cllr Clasper, Seconded by Cllr Mrs O'Flynn. **ALL IN FAVOUR**

v) Rear of 2, and 2 -36 Ditton Road appeal against enforcement Clerk will forward the councils previous comments, and comments from residents to the inspector. *Clerk*

vi) Cllr Clasper; Questioned has anything happened with 8 Ditton Road regarding the ‘van sales’ as all the vehicles have gone.

vii) Membership of Planning Committee – clerk has only received 2 names so far and asked is anyone else willing to go on the committee? If not, Council will have to revert back to Lead Member and Deputy Member after a lot of work has been into preparing the protocols for the committee. Following discussions, it was Proposed by Cllr T. O’Flynn and Seconded by Cllr Mrs Davies that Council go back to the Lead Member System

**In Favour 8**

**Against 1**

**Abstaining 1**

Time to be given to consider nominations for Lead and Deputy Member for Planning which will be on the September meeting agenda.

#### **18.061 HIGHWAYS**

ii) To consider and reply to the Boroughs road safety proposal for Eton Road outside of Eton End School. After discussions it was agreed that all were in favour of the scheme for the safety of residents and pupils of the school. *Clerk to email.*

##### **Councillors Questions**

- Cllr Clasper referred to the mini roundabout by the Cricket Club where bollards have been put up on each corner. On the village side these have been cut down close to the ground. Chairman has asked Cllr Grey for RBWM to check and Cllr Larcombe will also look.
- Cllr Thompson had reported a light out which has since been repaired however the overgrowth of the tree has covered it so its useless. Chairman advised to go onto the Borough website to report it.

#### **18.062 GROUND**

In the absence of the Lead Member, the Deputy Lead Member advised that they had 2 quotes for the works to the borders around the Village Green and were and looking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> Will bring to September meeting for council to approve and will speak to contractors to make sure can be done before 11<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Clasper advised he is happy to take over if the Lead Member can’t do this.

The Clerk advised of a meeting held with the RBWM landscape officer, Cllrs Thompson, Larcombe, Muir to look at the Recreation Ground Ditch. After discussions it was Proposed by Cllr Clemens and Seconded by Cllr Stickland to work with RBWM to get a levels survey and master plan drawn up. **ALL IN FAVOUR.** Plus, the ditch Spur to be added to survey. Cllr Clasper asked that this go through the working group which was set up for the project and they should bring a report back to council. Cllr Larcombe wanted to check ownership of plot 32 and have a gate put in place as required.

Cllr Clemens read his report on his findings from other councils regarding costing for pitch hire and felt the DPC are charging considerably more than others in the area.

Chairman referred to protocol which was sent out before hand for any comments or views. A lot is taken from RBWM conditions. Cllr Clemens would like to change contact from Cllr Muir to himself, and CRB needs amending to DBS.

It was Proposed by Cllr Mrs Stickland and Seconded by Cllr T. O’Flynn that the conditions of hire be agreed **ALL IN FAVOUR**

After discussions it was agreed to review hire charges and decide in September. It was Proposed by Cllr T. O’Flynn and Seconded by Cllr Clasper to go with fees in the present document of £1000 per team and a refund can be given once reviewed. **ALL IN FAVOUR**

Cllr Clemens requested staged payments. Chairman Proposed 50% before the first game and remainder to be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> December Seconded by Cllr Clasper. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

If full payment not made by 1<sup>st</sup> December keys for the changing rooms to be returned.

Cllr Larcombe asked regarding the Byelaw signs. Clerk advised a hard copy had been sent for proof on Friday

22:00 Chairman proposed happy to carry on to do Properties and Public Questions. Seconded by Cllr Clasper. **ALL IN FAVOUR**

**18.063 PROPERTIES**

The Lead Member of Properties referred to her report previously circulated to all. No questions on report.

Advised the BT Phone on the outside of the Library has been repaired twice and is meant to call 101 immediately.

The AED has been installed outside the Parish office, the 2<sup>nd</sup> cabinet had to be returned as faulty awaiting a new one. Cllr Clemens to organise a CPR training session, and see if FA will do it.

*Items 12 to 15 deferred to September meeting.*

**18.064 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

i) Resident stated the importance of the Crossing to be investigated.

ii) Resident referred to Eton End school that parents are constantly getting reminders to not park there, and feels should get the police involved.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 22.12

**THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018**

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**CHAIRMAN**

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