

# Datchet Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, ALLEN WAY, DATCHET**  
**ON MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019 AT 20:04**

Before the meeting commenced a presentation was given from Ian Motuel, Principal Planner, Planning Policy from RBWM on the Traveller Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation. He advised the end date had been extended to 11<sup>th</sup> March and answered members and residents' questions.

The council meeting then commenced at 20:04

Present: Cllrs Mrs. J. Stickland (Chairman), Mr. H Clasper, Mrs. M Davies, Mr. I Thompson, Mr. E Larcombe, Mrs. L O'Flynn, Mr. T. O'Flynn, Mrs. R Millns, Mr. A Verma.  
Mrs. K. Jones - Clerk to the Council. Mrs. J Freeland

Apologies: Cllrs Mrs. P Barnes-Taylor, Mr. P Darban, Mr. G Muir, Mr. A Clemens,  
There were 7 members of the public present, plus RBWM Cllr Cannon

**18.157 ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None

**18.158 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – A resident referred to the tin box that has been erected for electrics outside of the Manor Hotel and asked if it can be moved to a more discrete place. The Chairman responded that this housed the power supply to The Green which was asked for by DPC and paid for by Ward Councillors, however the council was not given drawings or exact locations. On the return of the Lead Member for Grounds Chairman will ask if it can be reduced in size or painted. The location was asked for by Cllr K. Fitzgerald for events on The Green.

**18.159 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – Cllr Clasper declared and interest in planning application 19/00269 21 Southlea Road and will refrain from commenting.

**18.160 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**  
Pg 40 18.134 Cllr Mrs L. O'Flynn would like to make a grammar amendment from 'hadn't' to read 'had not'. Subject to this change the minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman

**18.161 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2019**  
Pg 45 18.153 Cllr Mrs L. O'Flynn pointed out that DVs should read DVS.  
Subject to this change the minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman

**18.162 MINUTES OF THE PART II COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2019**  
The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**18.163 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES**

**14<sup>th</sup> January 2019** – NONE

**21<sup>st</sup> January 2019**

- i) Pg 43 18.143 iii) Cllr Thompson stated that more complaints had been received ref: parking on the double yellow lines and at an event at weekend staff were seen directing cars to park on the road.
- ii) Pg 43 18.143 iv) Cllr Thompson – Riverfront lighting sensors *Clerk to follow up*
- iii) Pg 43 18.143 vi) Cllr Thompson – No update on Red Lines, he had sent in a schedule of items, to RBWM and did not know when they would arrange a meeting. Cllr Millns stated that the Headteacher is trying hard to get parents to park legally and has sent out emails and called parents in.
- iv) Pg 43 18.146 Cllr Thompson is waiting for a site meeting with RBWM
- v) Pg 43 18.143 i) Cllr T O'Flynn has contacted RBWM and hopefully will have a meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February.
- vi) Pg 44 18.149 iii) Chairman will chase Cllr Muir as bench not yet in installed.
- vii) Pg 44 18.149 vi) The Clerk advised that the Stage II application assessment went very well however not sure if will get the full amount of the grant asked for.
- viii) Pg 44 18.149 viii) Advised the Byelaw signs were install on Tuesday and by Friday the one by Holmlea has been defaced with graffiti.

ix) Pg 45 18.149 x) Cllr Mrs O' Flynn requested that any work to the Wooden Crucifix be put past the Pastor at the Baptist Church first as may like to help.

x) Pg 45 18.152 Cllr Larcombe referred to the Extra Ordinary meeting regarding the Traveller Local Plan. After discussion it was decided to see what date the Village Hall is available and to go with the most popular.

#### **18.164 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

i) To consider and approve the adoption of the Parish Charter between RBWM and Parish and Town Councils. Further to discussions it was proposed by Cllr T O'Flynn and seconded by Cllr Clasper that the Council adopt and sign up to the document. IN FAVOUR with 3 Abstaining. Chairman signed the document.

ii) Received a thank you card from the late Cllr Grey's wife on the wonderful tribute plaque on bench at the riverside.

#### **18.165 CORRESPONDENCE**

i) Email complaints had been received from 3 Priory End residents regarding the council's comments on planning application 18/03762. The Clerk stated she thought that they would be attending this evening to ask the council to explain why they had no objections. Cllr Thompson expressed concerns regarding the highway's issues, and was advised to look at the application online.

ii) Received two emails requesting to hire the Recreation Ground. One from the Funfair and one for private use. Following discussions where Cllr Mrs L O'Flynn stated that the Recreation Ground is a green space providing a wide range of leisure and sporting activities including quiet pastimes and that hiring it out would compromise this and because of the impact and damage caused from vehicles on the ground in the past, it was AGREED BY ALL that the Council is of the same opinion as the previous decision not to allow private hire/events on the Recreation Ground, only Council organised events.

iii) Email from Jack Ridout (TVP) requesting councillors to attend a public places walk-about with himself and the PCSO's to highlight any issues. A meeting is scheduled for 20/02/19, Chairman to clarify details then will send to all Councillors.

iv) Letter received from Historic England regarding listing the Datchet War Memorial. Cllr Clasper has taken on the responsibility to find out what this entails.

#### **18.166 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

The Lead Member presented the payment sheets for consideration.

It was Proposed by Cllr Clasper and Seconded by Cllr T. O'Flynn that the payment sheet be approved.  
**ALL IN FAVOUR.**

It was Proposed by Cllr Clasper and Seconded by Cllr T. O'Flynn that the income sheet be approved.  
**ALL IN FAVOUR.**

#### **18.167 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

In the absence of the Lead Member the Deputy Lead Member Cllr H Clasper presented the following planning applications:

**18/03667 – 23 Slough Road Datchet – Members had NO OBJECTIONS to this application**

**19/00212 – 29 Montagu Road Datchet – Members had NO OBJECTIONS to this application.**

**19/00269 – 21 Southlea Road Datchet – Members had NO OBJECTIONS to this application.**

**19/00050 – Riverbank 9 Southlea Road Datchet – Members had OBJECTIONS to this application as they do not agree for a healthy tree to be felled. The Parish Councillors feel the TPO should be made permanent as the tree is focal point in the Village.**

#### **18.168 BOROUGH PLANNING DECISIONS**

Members noted the Borough Planning Decisions as on the planning addendum and additional addendum dated 11.02.19

#### **18.169 PLANNING GENERAL**

Cllr Clasper to meet with Victoria Gibson from RBWM on 14<sup>th</sup> February, opportunities to raise certain items, asked for the Clerk to attend.

#### **18.170 PROPERTIES**

The Lead Member for Properties, Cllr Mrs Stickland gave her report:

i) 24 The Green, the Bridge Café, ceiling work has been completed and painted. Meeting on Monday to talk about the next phase.

- ii) 24a The Green, the flat, has been inspected and the only concern is the sash windows
  - iii) The Bottle Store, meeting a roofer regarding the rear of property and damp issues.
- Cllr Larcombe asked about the Cemetery Chapel gutters and downpipes and was advised awaiting for a third quote then this will be bought back to council.

### 18.171 **GROUNDS**

The Lead and Deputy Lead Members for Grounds were both absent.

- i) Litter / Dog waste bins now deferred to March.
- ii) Fun Run waiting for Mr Buck to come back.
- iii) Outstanding installation of new bins/benches on South Green, taking far too long. Chairman to speak to Cllr Muir.
- iv) Byelaw signs have been installed Cllr Larcombe had taken photos. One has already been vandalised with graffiti.
- v) Cllr Clasper advised that the project for the surrounds to the Village Greens, which he was hoping to do this year, was now highly unlikely as work on the Barrel Arch is due to start. Will still get quotes and carry forward monies to next financial year. Cllr Thompson advised that the RBWM contractor had looked over ground re the works to the Barrel Arch and needs to come back with a method statement.
- vi) The Chairman advised that Taplow Youth had used the Recreation for a game on Sunday without permission. *Cllr Clemens to contact team & advise to prebook in future.*
- vii) Tennis coaching is back on Sunday morning. *Email to be resent*

### 18.172 **HIGHWAYS**

Lead Member for Highways, Cllr I. Thompson had issued his report.

- i) Received complaints regarding the electric box installed on The Green in front of The Manor Hotel. He asked if the works could be stopped while consider what is appropriate. The Chairman advised that she thought all the work was complete now, but asked him to follow this up with Cllr Muir maybe to get a smaller box and/or paint it green.
- ii) The DVS submitted a report on the relocation of the Village Milestone, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The recommendation was to relocate it to War Memorial Green, on the road side where can still be seen from the original location. If the Parish Council wish to go ahead the next step is to put in planning application. Further to discussions it was proposed by Cllr Thompson and seconded by Cllr T. O'Flynn put in a planning application to move Milestone to location shown in document.

FOR: 8      ABSTAINING: 1      AGAINST: 0      **APPROVED**

Cllr Thompson asked that a plaque be installed at the original location as an historic reference point.

- iii) Chairman advised of the RBWM 'Adopt a Street' scheme where Borough provides a litter picker, hi-vis jackets and gloves. She will be doing a clean-up on a bi-weekly basis and encourage members and residents to join up.

### 18.173 **FLOODING**

Spokesman for Flooding, Cllr I Thompson report had been circulated to all.

- i) Chairman advised of the need for more volunteer Flood Wardens and Marshalls, as can never have too many.
- ii) Datchet Flood Defences Scheme - Cllr Thompson outlined the proposals for scheme 1 of the proposed defences, the tunnel underpass at Eton End. He asked for Council to adopt the scheme in principle so the designer could finalise the drawings and send it into the funding source identified by RBWM Cllr Cannon. Cllr Clasper stated he did not disagree, but as there is a total of 7 schemes, before council can choose any one scheme the working group should review these and agree the priorities and bring this back to council.

Cllr Thompson stated that there was not a working group for Flood Defences. Cllr Clasper felt it was covered by the Strom Water and Central Drainage working group. Cllr Thompson felt it was not. Further to discussions the Chairman felt it was realistic for a new Flood Defence Working Group to be established to review the 7 Schemes and bring back a proposal to council with recommendations on priority. Maximum of 4 members, to be agreed at the next meeting.

Cllr Thompson said he would still like to get in touch with the designer for scheme 1 and find out his fees. The Chairman asked him to do this and report this back to the next meeting.

**18.174 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

- i) Cllr Larcombe asked in regard to the forthcoming elections at RBWM -27<sup>th</sup> Feb and why the Chairman did not announce this. She replied that she had written an article in the Link..
- ii) Cllr Thompson – questioned have spent £2,500 with Robert Craig, has a response been received? Chairman advised yes she had received a draft last Friday and will bring it back to Council on 18<sup>th</sup> February. Will circulate the final copy to all councillors beforehand.

*The Chairman proposed that the meeting be extended to 10.10pm. AGREED.*

The Chairman reported that she had received, by hand, this evening a written request to call Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council to consider the matter of the DRCCT trust and trustees. Signed by Cllrs Larcombe, Thompson and Mrs M. Davies.

Will add to agenda of 18<sup>th</sup> February where will have 2 items, i) Traveller Local Plan ii) DRCCT

**18.175 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

A resident sent thanks for attending the DNPG drop in session on 27<sup>th</sup> January as had a good response.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 22:11

**THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019**

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**CHAIRMAN**

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