LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 7.30 PM AT THE RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

Present: Cllrs: Elliot, French, Guild, Merritt, Pratt & Westbrook.

In the Chair: Cllr Guild.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe

Also present: District Cllr Criscione and one member of the public.

A minutes silence was held in memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

22/76. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Thomas.

22/77. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 11 July 2022 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Clir French. Seconded: Clir Westbrook. All agreed.

22/78. PROGRESS CHECK.

- The defibrillator has now been installed at the bus stop opposite the Flitch of Bacon, to be checked weekly. A leaflet to be sent to residents offering CPR training.
- Cllr French to word an email to Cllr Foley (copying in the Clerk) regarding speeding in Station Road.
- A new salt bin to be purchased (Cllr Westbrook).

22/79. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. No interests were declared.

22/80. PUBLIC FORUM.

Station House Planning Application; the member of the public present was against the demolition and wanted to know what the Councils view was.

22/81. REPORTS.

County Council – apologies were received from Cllr Foley.

District Council – an update on the Local Plan was given, it has been delayed again until March 2023 and should be delivered in full by mid 2025.

22/82. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.

Cllr Pratt gave a report on the Design Code Package Report and the Housing Needs Assessment, which will be shared with UDC planners. A Planner is now needed to start writing up visions and policies. Another event will be held in October. A Landscape Survey and call for sites is needed. A meeting will be held with Flitch Green Parish Council early October.

22/83. PLANNING.

Application No: UTT/22/2290/OP. Outline application with all matters reserved for the demolition of dwelling and all outbuildings and erection of 8 no. dwellings.

Location: Station House, Station Road, Little Dunmow.

The Parish Council unanimously objected to this application for the following reasons:

Station House and the surrounding platform is a vital part of the history of Little Dunmow and Felsted, it is an important landmark along the Flitch Way trail.

The proposal for 8 dwellings in a tightly enclosed space is over development, it was noted that there is already permission in place to build up to four homes and to keep Station House. It was suggested that Station House should be kept to ensure that the heritage of this area is preserved, and that the number of 8 dwellings be reduced to 4 as per the original agreement.

22/84. PARISH PUMP - PAINTING.

Quote received to re-paint the pump if approved the work can be done late September/October. Agreed to get another quote.

22/85. FINANCE.

101071 £977.52 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE July/August £934.32, TBS Hygiene £43.20).

101072 £108.00 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll August/September/October)

101073 £50.00 VCS Websites (Web Hosting September-November)

101074 £648.00 V Westbrook (Gt Dunmow Fencing & Landscaping Ltd. new gate)

101075 £69.60 D Guild (Marshalls – Keys)

101076 £36.00 CPRE (Annual Subscription)

D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)

D/D £39.96 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)

D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)

D/D £40.64 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)

D/D £40.60 npower Business Solutions (Streetlighting)

101077 £467.16 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE September)

Income

£25.95 E-on (Streetlighting Refund)

£677.05 Uttlesford District Council (Jubilee Funding)

£10,500.00 Uttlesford District Council (2nd Instalment Precept)

22/86. RECREATION GROUND - ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR.

A report of the meeting with the Essex Community Policing Team was given; actions / deterrents going forward include building up evidence of incidents and to put up some CCTV signs. Cllr French will complete an Incident Report / Diary.

22/87. CORRESPONDENCE.

UDC – invitation to a virtual Parish & Town Council Forum; Tuesday 20 September at 7pm.

UDC – Uttlesford Design Code, survey closes 12 noon Tuesday 13 September.

RCCE – AGM Wednesday 5 October at Layer Marney Tower at 6.30pm.

22/88. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

No matters raised, the Clerk will ask for any agenda items a week prior to the next meeting.

22/89. MEETING DATES 2022.

14 November (Budget Meeting).

MEETING DATES 2023.

9 January, 13 March, 8 May (Annual Assembly & Annual Council Meetings), 10 July, 11 September, 13 November (Budget Meeting).

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.45 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN): DATE: