LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.30 PM AT THE RECREATION GROUND MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

Present: Cllrs: Elliot, French, Guild, Merritt, Pratt, Thomas.

In the Chair: Cllr Guild.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe.

Also present: 3 members of the public.

21/98. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Westbrook.

21/99. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 13 September were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr French. Seconded: Cllr Merritt. All agreed.

21/00. PROGRESS CHECK.

Parking, The Street - the letter to residents to be circulated before it's sent.

21/01. 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.

21/02. PUBLIC FORUM.

Members of the public were present to object to the retrospective planning application at Little Blossom. The Parish Council supports the objections and a letter has been prepared summing up residents objections.

21/03. REPORTS.

County Council - no report received.

District Council – apologies were received from Cllr Criscione.

21/04. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.

A questionnaire has been sent to all residents and a Housing Needs Survey has been arranged for January. A meeting has been arranged with the RCCE to look at the next steps.

21/05. PLANNING.

Application No: UTT/21/3153/HHF. Proposed new garage and alterations to existing dwelling.

Location: Baynards, Grange Lane, Little Dunmow.

A letter of objection has been received from a neighbour, and the Parish Council, although not objecting to the proposed garage are concerned about how close it is to the neighbours boundary.

Application No: UTT/21/1355/FUL. PROPOSAL: S73a part retrospective application for the extension and change of use to existing garage and erection of 1no. two storey buildings with basement to be used for holistic consultation/treatment and overnight stay.

Location: Little Blossom, 3 Stebbingford Cottages. A letter of objection has been prepared to be sent to UDC Planning Department.

Application No: UTT/21/3267/HHF. Proposed Orangery.

Location: 1 Burgess Cottages, Pound Hill, Little Dunmow. No objections.

21/06. FINANCE.

101033 £558.00 V Westbrook (Hedge Cutting/Spraying, JCM Services)

101034 £144.00 James Todd & Co. Ltd. (Payroll)

101035 £19.20 TBS Hygiene Ltd (Dog Waste Collection)

101036 £758.21 A Balcombe (Salary/Expenses/PAYE October/November)

D/D £39.46 Castle Water (Meeting Room)

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

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D/D £36.60 E-on (Street-lighting)

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D/D £37.82 E-on (Street-lighting)

Income £1,201.00 Groundwork UK (Grant, Neighbourhood Plan)

21/07. DEFIBRILLATOR.

After some discussion it was agreed that a defibrillator was needed, it was suggested that it could be shared with Flitch Green, however it would need to be sited in Little Dunmow. A vote was taken with 4 in favour of having a defibrillator.

21/08. BUDGET/PRECEPT 2022/23.

Expenditure was agreed at £23,410 for 2022/23, £2,410 will be taken from reserves and the Precept was agreed at £21,000.

Proposed Cllr Guild. Seconded: Cllr French. All agreed

Pond Maintenance – it was agreed to write to the owner to ask if the Parish Council can maintain it.

21/09. CORRESPONDENCE.

Residents email – regarding Gigaclear about another delay of the completion of ultrafast broadband.

Emails: objections to the retrospective planning application at Little Blossom. **Residents email –** regarding motorbikes using Footpath 15 between Clay Lane and The Street.

21/10. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

Community Speed Watch – next agenda.

21/11. MEETING DATES 2022.

10 January, 14 March, 9 May (Annual Meetings), 11 July, 12 September, 14 November.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN): DATE: