

# LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 7.15 PM AT THE RECREATION  
GROUND MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

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*Present:* Cllrs: Atherton, Davies, Kerr, Pratt, Thomas & Westbrook.  
*In the Chair:* Cllr Thomas.  
*Clerk:* Angela Balcombe.  
*Also present:* 1 member of the public and District Councillor Marie Felton

## **13/59. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cllr Watkinson.

## **13/60. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes of 8 July 2013 were approved as a correct record of events.

**Proposed: Cllr Atherton. Seconded: Cllr Kerr. All agreed.**

## **13/61. PROGRESS CHECK.**

- The Church cannot afford to contribute to the tree pruning.
- The contractors have been contacted regarding the wild flower area.
- The summer party went very well, thanks to everyone for their help.

## **13/62. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. No interests were declared.

## **District and County Councillors Reports**

District Councillor Marie Felton was welcomed to the meeting. Cllr Felton explained that £750 was available for the Parish Council from UDC via herself for any community project, to be claimed by the end of February 2014.

Apologies were received from County Councillor Simon Walsh. Cllr Walsh emailed a report that included information on ECC's contract with BT to develop high speed broadband across the County; Cllr Bass (Cabinet Member for Highways) is developing a new hierarchy for categorising roads and the speed that defects are attended to. This should ensure that urgent cases on heavily used roads are attended to promptly, the downside is that lesser roads may take longer. Cllr Walsh also suggested the Council take a close look at the Public Transport Review when it goes live as it may be an opportunity to get better services or campaign to keep existing services..

## **Public Forum**

No matters were raised.

## **13/63. PLANNING.**

**Application No:** UTT/13/2340/OP

**Proposal:** Removal of existing earth bunds and demolition of 1 and 2 Pit Cottages and other buildings/hard standings on site. Outline application for the erection of 40 dwellings with associated access, parking and garaging and provision of public open space. All matter reserved except access

**Location:** Former Dunmow Skips Site Station Road

The Council approved of this application but with reservations around road traffic and access, sustainability, density of housing and recreational facilities.

**UTT/13/2157/SO. Scoping Opinion for land at Pound Hill, Little Dunmow.**

Request for a Scoping opinion for proposed development of up to 750 homes, a village centre including retail units , GP Surgery and other community floorspace, a primary school, local employment floor space, public open space and landscaping, transport services, new accesses and associated infrastructure

Although this is not a planning application therefore cannot be objected to at this stage, the Council has submitted comments to UDC regarding environmental and transport issues.

**13/64. S.106 AGREEMENT – FOOTWAY, STATION ROAD.**

As soon as BT has confirmed their work is complete ECC will start work on the footway.

**13/65. FINANCE.**

**Accounts paid and cheques signed:**

100628 £253.03 A Balcombe (August Salary & Office Expenses)

100629 £232.29 J Thomas (Gazebo & Stepladder)

D/D £37.91 E-on (Meeting Room)

D/D £66.05 E-on (Street-lighting)

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

100630 £265.03 A Balcombe (September Salary & Office Expenses £253.03, Phone £12.00)

100631 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (July Salaries)

100632 £19.25 Affinity Water (Meeting Room)

100633 £45.00 Open Spaces Society (Annual subs.)

D/D £66.05 E-on (Street-lighting)

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

**13/66. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.**

**EALC** – 2013 Conference, 26 September at Great Dunmow.

**Uttlesford Over Sixties Association** – newsletter.

**Fritch Youth FC** – thank you letter for use of the recreation ground for training.

**13/67. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

- Magna Carta 2015 (possible village sign) – next agenda.
- UDC's grant of £750 via Cllr Felton – next agenda.

**13/68. MEETING DATES 2013.**

- 11 November.

***THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.27 PM.***

**SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):**

**DATE:**