

LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 12 JANUARY 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT THE RECREATION GROUND
MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

Present: Cllrs: Atherton, Davies, Elliot, Pratt, Thomas, Watkinson & Westbrook.
In the Chair: Cllr Thomas.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: 7 members of the public.

15/70. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

15/71. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 10 November 2014 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Atherton. Seconded: Cllr Thomas. All agreed.

15/72. PROGRESS CHECK.

The Skip Yard site is now being cleared and should be finished by the end of the week.

15/73. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

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

15/74. PUBLIC FORUM.

Residents are still concerned about the safety of the area following the various incidents in recent months. Some good work is now being carried out with the various agencies working together to try to combat the problems.

Quad bikes are still a problem along the Flitch Way and it was suggested that barriers be installed. It was explained that this was the responsibility of ECC who don't have the budget for this, concrete blocks were suggested as an alternative.

15/75. DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS.

Reports previously circulated from District Cllrs Harris and Felton, and County Cllr Walsh. Apologies were received from Cllr Walsh.

15/76. PLANNING.

Application No: UTT/14/3703/OP. Outline application with all matters reserved for the demolition of existing barn and erection of 1 no. dwelling.

Location: The Old Farmhouse, Brookend Road, Stebbing CM6 3AA.

Application No: UTT/14/3675/DFO. Details following outline application UTT/13/2340/OP (removal of existing earth bunds, demolition of 1 and 2 Pit Cottages and other buildings/hard standings on site; and erection of 40 dwellings with associated access, parking and garaging and provision of public open space) – details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale.

Location: Former Dunmow Skips Site, Station Road, Little Dunmow.

15/77. UTTLESFORD GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION.

This document forms the first stage in the production of the Uttlesford Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan. Consultation period: 8 December – 2 February. Electronic copies of the consultation can be found at: www.uttlesford.gov.uk

15/78. FINANCE.

Accounts paid and cheques signed:

100721 £279.02 A Balcombe (Salary & Expenses £253.03, Printer Ink £25.99)
100722 £176.14 HMRC (PAYE)
D/D £63.91 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
D/D £120.60 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
D/D £139.20 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
100723 £521.13 A Balcombe (Salary & Expenses Dec. £253.03, Jan £268.10)
100724 £37.44 TBS Hygiene Ltd (Collection Dog Waste)
100725 £400.00 Acer Tree Surgery (Tree Works)
100726 £271.20 Capital Stone Renovation Ltd. (Village Sign)
100727 £44.40 Acumen wages Service (Monthly Salary)
100728 £2,844.00 Anglian Land Drainage (Gate £348.00, Grass Cutting £2,496)
D/D £66.05 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
Income £100.00 plus £25.00 (Village Sign), £25.00 (Meeting Room Hire)

15/79. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2015/16.

The budget for 2015/16 was agreed at £12,511.00 less the UDC Local Council Tax Scheme £802.00, and less £909 from Parish Council reserves leaves a **final precept figure of £10,800.00**. This is a small increase of £50.00 from last year's figure.

Proposed: Cllr Atherton. Seconded: Cllr Watkinson. Unanimously agreed.

- To consider a donation to the Citizens Advice Bureau.- it was unanimously agreed to donate £100.00 from reserves.

15/80. BUS SHELTERS.

It was agreed to contact the Local Highways Panel and to get some prices. The exact location is yet to be agreed.

15/81. MAGNA CARTA CELEBRATIONS 2015.

Cllr Atherton gave an update on the arrangements. A copy of Magna Carta and two pop up banners at no cost. Footpath walk in partnership with Pleshey.

15/82. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Email from UDC regarding loose horses in Little Dunmow.

15/83. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Flooding and danger of ice on the road by the bridge over the A120. ECC need to inspect it and a temporary sign saying "liable to flood/ice" could help reduce the accident rate.
- One streetlight not working near Burgess Cottages.

15/84. MEETING DATES 2015.

9 March, 11 May, 13 July, 14 September, 9 November.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.55 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: