

LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT THE RECREATION
GROUND MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

Present: Cllrs: Atherton, Davies, Pratt & Thomas.
In the Chair: Cllr Thomas.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: 1 member of the public.

15/30. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Watkinson and Westbrook.

15/31. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 13 July 2015 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

15/32. PROGRESS CHECK.

- An application for funding has been submitted to the ECC Community Initiatives Fund for new benches, £500 has been granted from UDC.
- Bus Shelter – this will now go ahead with agreement from ECC.

15/33. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Councillors are reminded to update their Registers of Interest. No interests were declared.

15/34. PUBLIC FORUM.

A number of maintenance issues around the village that have previously been reported to be chased up: Pound House Villas to Bramble Lane, near 1 Pound Hill Villas and on the path leading up to and including on the bridge over the A120 to the B1256 – vegetation is encroaching onto the path; Blocked road drain at junction of The Street and Station Road; Water leak in the middle of the road where Grange Lane joins The Street.

A report of alcohol bottles being smashed along the road most nights at Pound Hill near the Dunmow Skip site, to be reported to the local PCSO.

15/35. DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS.

Reports circulated.

15/36. PLANNING.

Application No: UTT/15/2552/AV. Erection of 1 freestanding advertisement stack board and 2 freestanding advertisement flags.

Location: Former Dunmow Skips Site, Station Road, Little Dunmow. No objections.

Application No: UTT/15/2318/FUL. Installation and operation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure including photovoltaic panels, mounting frames, inverters, transformers, substations, communications building, composting toilet, access tracks, fencing, pole-mounted CCTV cameras.

Location: Bumpstead Hill, Land West of A120 Little Dunmow. No objections but comments to be submitted regarding the access road / traffic management during construction. Community benefit – approx.£2,500 per year for 25 years.

Application No: UTT/15/2770/AV. Erection of 1 no. projecting hanging sign on the front of the Flitch of Bacon and 1 no. freestanding post and hanging sign on the corner of The Street, Little Dunmow.

Location: Flitch of Bacon, The Street, Little Dunmow. No objections.

15/37. PARKING ISSUES, THE STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW.

With regard to parking when the pub re-opens, the Council recognises that this may be a problem therefore the Council to consider formally approaching the relevant authority regarding possible parking restrictions such as yellow lines or resident only parking. It was agreed to put this on hold and wait and see what happens with regard to any proposed parking solutions.

15/38. VILLAGE POND / TREES.

Clearance of the area including removal of dead trees. Permission has been given to do any work for safety reasons. Agreed to get a quote for the work.

15/39. FINANCE.

Accounts paid and cheques signed:

100751 £88.80 Acumen Wages Service (Sept/Oct/July/August Salaries)
100752 £280.10 A Balcombe (Salary & Expenses £268.10, Phone £12.00)
100753 £23.47 Affinity Water (Meeting Room)
100754 £222.00 Michael J Walsh (Recreation Ground Gate)
100755 £187.80 HMRC (PAYE)
D/D £89.02 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)
100756 £268.10 A Balcombe (Salary & Expenses)
100757 £25.00 Uttlesford Association of Local Councils (Annual Subs)
100758 £25.00 K Atherton (Magna Carta Book for ECC Chairman)
Income - £35.00 Meeting Room Hire

15/40. ECC MAKING THE LINKS & EALC ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Thursday 24 September, noon at the Foakes Hall, Great Dunmow. Speakers: Cllr David Finch (Leader of ECC), Nick Alston (Essex Police & Crime Commissioner) and Stephen Kavanagh (Chief Constable).

15/41. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

ECC – Temporary prohibition of traffic order Warehouse Road/Watch House Road, Stebbing – 14 September for two weeks for water main replacement work.

15/42. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- One of the picnic tables has been overturned and the anchor pin is now missing.
- Various Highway maintenance issues to be reported, copying in Cllr Walsh

15/43. MEETING DATES 2015.

9 November (this will be the budget meeting)

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.25 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: