

# LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LITTLE DUNMOW PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT THE RECREATION GROUND  
MEETING ROOM, BROOK STREET, LITTLE DUNMOW

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*Present:* Cllrs: Atherton, Davies, Elliot, Pratt, Thomas, Watkinson & Westbrook.  
*In the Chair:* Cllr Thomas.  
*Clerk:* Angela Balcombe.  
*Also present:* There was no-one else present.

## **15/44. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

There were no apologies.

## **15/45. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes of 14 September 2015 were approved as a correct record of events.

**Proposed: Cllr Davies. Seconded: Cllr Thomas. All agreed.**

## **15/46. PROGRESS CHECK.**

- Bus Shelter – this will go ahead once the final agreements have been made between ECC and the Parish Council.
- Benches – the Council was successful in receiving funding from UDC and ECC Community Initiatives Fund therefore the two new benches can now be ordered and installed.

## **15/47. 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.

## **15/48. PUBLIC FORUM.**

No matters were raised.

## **15/49. DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS.**

Apologies were received from County Cllr Simon Walsh, his report to be circulated. District Councillors report previously circulated.

## **15/50. VILLAGE POND / TREES.**

Clearance of the area including removal of dead trees - £1,390.00. It was unanimously agreed to pay for this work from reserves.

**Proposed: Cllr Davies. Seconded: Cllr Thomas. All agreed.**

## **15/51. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2016/17.**

The draft budget for the financial year 2016/17 was prepared. The draft precept figure is £10,850, which is a small increase of £50 on last year's precept. To be agreed at the January meeting once the Local Council Tax Scheme amount has been confirmed by UDC.

## **15/52. PLANNING.**

**ECC Definitive Map Modification No. 604.** there is an interactive map on the Essex County Council website which shows the network of public rights of way. It is currently at the following address

<http://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads/Getting-Around/Public-Rights-of-Way/Interactive-map.aspx>

**UDC Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation.**

Visit [www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lpconsult](http://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lpconsult) for electronic versions of the Consultation Document, Response Form, and details of how to respond. Paper copies of all the documents will be available to view in the Council Offices in Saffron Walden, and at public libraries. The consultation closes at 4:30pm on **Friday 4 December**.

Cllr Thomas to draft a response on behalf of the Council.

**15/53. FINANCE.**

**Accounts paid and cheques signed:**

100759 £267.90 A Balcombe (Salary & Expenses)  
100760 £187.80 HMRC (PAYE)  
100761 £120.00 PKF Littlejohn LLP (Audit Fee)  
100762 £74.88 TBS Hygiene Ltd (Emptying Dog Bins)  
100763 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (Sept. Salaries)  
100764 £45.00 Open Spaces Society (Annual Subs.)  
100765 £36.00 CPRE (Annual Subs.)  
D/D £86.14 E-on (Street-lighting)  
D/D £45.84 A & J Lighting Solutions (Maintenance)  
D/D £30.42 E-on (Meeting Room Electric Supply)  
100766 £1,390.00 Treecology (Removal of trees)  
100767 £316.10 A Balcombe (£268.10 Salary & Expenses, £36.00 Printer Ink, £12.00 Phone Charges)  
100768 £49.26 J Thomas (Printer Ink)

**15/54. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.**

None.

**15/55. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

There was concern regarding the contractors causing parking problems whilst work is being carried out at the Flitch of Bacon. Cllr Thomas to speak to them asking them to park more considerately so that the buses can pass safely.

**15/60. MEETING DATES 2016.**

11 January, 14 March, 9 May, 11 July, 12 September, 14 November.

***THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.40 PM.***

**SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):**

**DATE:**