

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7:30pm at the Hempton Lounge, Windmill Community Centre, Deddington on Wednesday 18 October 2023.

Present: Cllr H Oldfield (Chair), J Higham, S O'Neill, M Robinson, C Snashall, M Swadling, A Swan, T Timms and J Watts **Also, present:** Parish Clerk, a Deddington News representative and 1 member of the public.

143/23	Apologies: Cllrs A Collins, M Cox, M Ince, J Norton, S Patterson and County Cllr A Fatemian, Cherwell District Cllr B Williams,
144/23	Declarations of Interest Pecuniary Interest: Cllr S O'Neill 155/23 item c) 23/00376/F Land Adjoining and West of Stonecroft House, Clifton Road, Deddington.
145/23	Minutes: Cllr M Robinson proposed, Cllr A Swan seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous by those in attendance) that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2023 were a true record of the meeting.
146/23	Matters arising from the minutes and not referred to later on the agenda: 133/23 item f) Remembrance Parade – agenda item from previous meeting – Costs approved were incorrect, and should have been £1,300. This will therefore be an agenda item in November. County Cllr A Fatemian is covering these costs.
147/23	10 Minute Open Forum: A Deddington New Street resident addressed the Council regarding the new 20mph speed limit. The member of the public shared a negative comment they had seen on Fix My Street regarding this (to which they had responded supporting the limit), and also shared their concerns regarding a lack of speed enforcement and the impact of noise vibration on listed buildings along the road. The resident informed the Council that they have undertaken personal speed monitoring, and found that many motorists are not abiding by the new speed restrictions. Cllr H Oldfield responded, informing the member of the public that it is intended that the VAS sign will be replaced, which should help to act as a deterrent. Additionally, the Council have written to the Chief Commissioner requesting speed enforcement in the Parish. A discussion was subsequently had regarding the need for Parish residents to volunteer for the community speed watch.
148/23	County Cllr A Fatemian update: No update.
149/23	District Cllr B Williams update: No update.
150/23	Finance and General Purposes. a) Sign off Internal control checklist – September 2023. b) To formally accept the external auditors report. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to accept the external auditors report. c) Internal Auditor course. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr T Timms seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to approve Clerk attendance at Internal Auditor course at a cost of £30. d) Remembrance Wreath. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr S O'Neill seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to purchase a Remembrance Wreath at a cost of £25, and to reissue payment for last years unbanked payment of £25. e) To request that working groups consider budget for next financial year and tell Clerk. Request that this is in by the end of November to allow discussion at December meeting. Precept to be agreed at January 2024 meeting. f) To consider income and expenditure to date alongside 2023/24 budget. Comfortable with the way the budget is going at the moment. A lot of the money coming in is interest, which should ideally go into sinking fund in order to help compensate for inflation. g) CCTV Policy – October 2023. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr J Higham seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to adopt the amended CCTV Policy – October 2023. h) Zip wire brake repair. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr T Timms seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to approve zip wire brake repair at a cost of £365 +VAT. i) Salt spreaders. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to approve the purchase of two salt spreaders at a cost of £200 +VAT. j) To consider whether the Hempton bus shelter front pane should be boarded or glassed up. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) that the front pane of the Hempton bus shelter should be glass.

	<p>k) To consider the broadband and phone contract. Clerk has done some work regarding this and got a significant reduction.</p> <p>l) To update on Emergency Planning. Meeting was held last week. Cllr H Oldfield said that there are currently people named on the Emergency Plan with contact details, and that further discussion is needed regarding who is included. Cllr A Swan to be added. Discussion regarding getting a generator. Advice received regarding this is not to get one although it is suggested that a generator connection be installed. Cllr M Swadling to write a spec, and quote to be requested.</p> <p>m) Mill Close repair. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr J Watts seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to write to the individual and request payment for rectifying the land that they have tried to adopt. It is thought that the repair will cost up to £200.</p> <p>n) Cricket nets. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr H Oldfield seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to accept the quote for Cricket nets with S106 monies of £14,325 +VAT plus 10% contingency from Council funds.</p> <p>o) Castle Grounds football goals. Suggestion to delay expenditure to see if this could be funded by S106 money. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr S O'Neill seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to approve removal and installation of new football goal(s) at Castle Grounds at a cost of £450 +VAT when appropriate.</p> <p>p) Update on progress with funding for new Windmill roof and date for work to start. Suggestion that start be delayed to the first week of February due to potential further grant and Windmill Committee wanting to ensure sufficient parking for the village pantomime. Grant of £50,000 secured on the condition of £5,000 being received from a third party. Windmill Management Committee has provided this. It was suggested that £5,000 should be put towards something for the Windmill Centre in the future. Agreement that replacement roof will be grey (rather than green). Need have work-in-progress insurance – awaiting quote for this. Project Manager agreed. Contract for works to be signed once grant outcome known. The Clerk congratulated Cllr H Oldfield for successfully securing £50,000 grant.</p> <p>q) Update on EA loans. Only small outstanding problems remaining, then retention can be paid.</p> <p>r) To confirm H&S tree works at Castle Grounds in response to Hurricane Nigel. Agreed by Clerk.</p> <p>s) Bin inserts. Cllr C Snashall proposed, Cllr T Timms seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) to purchase two bin inserts at a cost of £58.41 +VAT each.</p>																																																							
151/23	<p>Approval of invoices and receipts: Cllr H Oldfield proposed, Cllr C Snashall seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) that the September invoices with a total of £8,807.09 were approved for payment (delay on payment to Creative Play agreed while Clerk negotiates fees). It was noted that receipts totalled £73,756.95 including precept, S106 monies and interest.</p>																																																							
152/23	<p>Report upon the investment of the Council's Funds as at 30 September 2023.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="199 1310 1524 1668"> <thead> <tr> <th>Account</th> <th>Balance</th> <th>Interest</th> <th>Notice</th> <th>Matures</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Current</td> <td>86,041.40</td> <td></td> <td>Current</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Imprest</td> <td>1,040.90</td> <td></td> <td>Imprest</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unity Trust Bank</td> <td>255.96</td> <td></td> <td>Current</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unity Trust Bank</td> <td>28,253.72</td> <td>2.75%</td> <td>Savings</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Redwood Bank</td> <td>90,420.26</td> <td>3.45%</td> <td>95 Day Notice</td> <td>August 2019</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hampshire TB</td> <td>80,087.91</td> <td>0.10%</td> <td>Waiting for closure</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cambridge & Counties</td> <td>85,000.00</td> <td>5.00%</td> <td>1-year fixed deposit</td> <td>14 August 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>United Trust Bank</td> <td>90,138.31</td> <td>4.16%</td> <td>1-year fixed deposit</td> <td>4 May 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Skipton Building Society</td> <td>89,246.98</td> <td>3.75%</td> <td>1-year fixed deposit</td> <td>21 May 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>550,485.44</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Account	Balance	Interest	Notice	Matures	Current	86,041.40		Current		Imprest	1,040.90		Imprest		Unity Trust Bank	255.96		Current		Unity Trust Bank	28,253.72	2.75%	Savings		Redwood Bank	90,420.26	3.45%	95 Day Notice	August 2019	Hampshire TB	80,087.91	0.10%	Waiting for closure		Cambridge & Counties	85,000.00	5.00%	1-year fixed deposit	14 August 2024	United Trust Bank	90,138.31	4.16%	1-year fixed deposit	4 May 2024	Skipton Building Society	89,246.98	3.75%	1-year fixed deposit	21 May 2024	Total	550,485.44			
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153/23	<p>Highways and Transport.</p> <p>a) 20mph. A Hempton resident asked about speed enforcement, stating that they do not feel the 20mph limit has resulted in speed reduction. Comments to be passed on to OCC, and Cllr H Oldfield to provide written response. Cllr A Swan has contacted transport company regarding trucks in the village. A cyclist has contacted the council to state he has seen a positive difference to speeds given the new 20mph limit.</p> <p>b) Thanks. Were passed to Cllr T Timms for making new posts for Market Place green.</p> <p>c) Victoria Terrace. Large pothole, reported on Fix My Street.</p> <p>d) Planters. Will wait until 2024 for sponsorship for spring planning, and results of planning decisions for new developments.</p> <p>e) Air diffusion tube. To request that one is located at the traffic light crossroads.</p>																																																							

154/23	<p>Environment and Recreation.</p> <p>a) No Mow May & June. Cllr M Robinson drafted a report that recommends a scaled back No Mow May & June after taking into account parishioner feedback. Grass-cutting contractor to be asked if they have capability to pick up clippings and cost. Cllr M Robinson to ask DEN if they would like to be involved.</p> <p>b) Welford's Piece further proposal. Cost likely to be under £30,000, so no need for Contracts Finder. One contractor has visited the site, and will design and produce an estimate cost, on the basis of which two further quotes will be sought. Will be funded by Clifton Gate S106 money, approximately next Spring.</p> <p>c) To consider commenting on recent OCC Highways work. Some damage to tree and hedges near to the Cemetery.</p> <p>d) Unpaid workers. Returning on the 23 October to clear brambles and start on the cemetery path.</p> <p>e) AWC. Snagging completed on the AWC and MUGA power washed so retention can be released..</p>
155/23	<p>Planning Report.</p> <p>Applications</p> <p>a) 23/02467/F 8 The Paddocks, Deddington. Single storey rear extension. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Swadling seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection.</p> <p>b) 23/02694/F Fairacre 17 St Johns Way, Hempton. Remove existing conservatory and enlarge existing rear extension. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr A Swan seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection.</p> <p>c) 23/00376/F Land Adjoining and West of Stonecroft House, Clifton Road, Deddington. Erection of 5 single storey age restricted dwellings for older people (60 years) with access, landscaping and associated infrastructure. Re-consultation of existing application following amendments. Discussion regarding suggested T-junction. Cllr H Oldfield proposed, Cllr C Snashall seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (8 for, 1 abstention) no objection. Cllr A Swan proposed, Cllr C Snashall seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (8 for, 1 abstention) to add a note regarding the discrepancy in road layout, highlighting that the Council prefer the T-junction for safety reasons.</p> <p>d) 23/02640/TCA The Threshing Barn, Pound Court, Deddington. Tree works. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr M Swadling seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection.</p> <p>e) 23/02733/TCA Deddington Manor, New Street, Deddington. Tree works. Cllr S O'Neill proposed, Cllr A Swan seconded the motion and the Council RESOLVED (unanimous) no objection.</p> <p>Approvals</p> <p>23/02390/TCA Grove House, High Street, Deddington. 23/02325/TCA Caris Lodge, Goose Green, Deddington. 23/02472/TCA The Stile House, New Street, Deddington. 23/01806/F Valley View, St Thomas Street, Deddington. 22/01870/OUT Mount Pleasant, Hempton.</p> <p>Planning Appeal</p> <p>23/00090/REF (previously 22/03802/OUT) Part of OS Parcel 8752 East of Combe Cottage and South Of St Johns Way, Hempton Road, Hempton.</p>
156/23	<p>Neighbourhood Development Planning report.</p> <p>Update on the progress of the NDP examination. Waiting to hear from the inspector.</p>
157/23	<p>Large Scale Developments Working Group report.</p> <p>Consider response to CDC's consultation on its emerging Local plan. Cllr H Oldfield shared a draft response with the Council. Discussion occurred regarding carbon neutral housing, and about putting in a caveat to prioritise people with local connections for affordable housing on new developments. Agreed that provision of 35% affordable housing on rural developments should not be reduced to 30%. Agreed to remove the request for Passivhaus standards.</p>
158/23	<p>Items for information.</p> <p>The Duke, Clifton. Owner intending to sell. Discussion regarding possibility for community purchase. Decided that this is not a feasible option at this time.</p> <p>Deddington Market. Cllr A Swan contacted by new chair of Deddington Market regarding possibility for Wi-fi. Cllr A Swan to bring to next meeting.</p> <p>Remembrance Parade. Sunday 12 November. Councillors to march, meeting in the Bullring at approximately 10:15am.</p> <p>Survey monkey. Cllr A Swan to download data this week and let Clerk know in order to allow subscription to be cancelled.</p>

	<p>Memorial stone. Clerk ask for approval of memorial request. Agreed.</p> <p>Membership allowance. Response required by 15 November. Clerk to respond as previously, no allowance requested.</p> <p>December meeting. Discussion regarding bringing forward the December meeting. Agenda item.</p>
159/23	<p>Update from the Parish Council Representatives. None.</p>
160/23	<p>Date of the next meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 15 November 2023 at 7:30pm in Old School Room, Hempton. Meeting closed at: 9:12pm</p>