

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 14th May 2024

Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs, Franklin (Chair) (SF), Peach (CP), Crocker (TC), Lethbridge (LL), Randall (JR), Hancock (DH) (SHDC) and Thomas (DT) (DCC) and Ali Kohler (Clerk)

One member of the public was present.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2024 061 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Parker-Davidson (Vice Chair) (SPD), Carrol (LC) and Pannell (GP) (SHDC)

Matters arising.

County Councillors Report.

See appendix 1 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>

South Hams District Councillors Report

See appendix 2 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>.

Cllr Hancock and Cllr Thomas left the meeting.

Open Forum

2024 062 Declarations of Interest - none

2024 063 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9th April 2024, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

2024 064 Diptford Playing Field

a) To receive the financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust

Current Account: £5,948.00

Savings Account: £1,160.98

Receipts

Interest received - £1.20

Payments

Fenwick Leisure (swing parts) - £86.00

K Jane – invoice 1773 – grass cutting March and April 24

Transfers In

£1,337.50 from Parish Council

Transfers Out

none

b) Tennis Courts – all grant applications have been refused

c) Play Equipment – Repair works should be completed in the next few weeks by Mr Tanner as waiting for the better weather to be able to be completed.

d) Playing Field Grass Cutting Contract – this has been agreed at same rate for another year.

e) **Fund Raising/Grants** – no updates on further grant applications.

2024 065 Highways and Community Lengthsman

- a) **Lengthsman** – Lengthsman to be asked to wash all the signs in the village. It was agreed that the Lengthsman be given a contract of 6 hours per month @ £25 per hour which would be paid monthly by standing order.
- b) **Highways notice reference** - Work order 2106511 – East Leigh Cross to East Moore Cross has been postponed to mid-May at the earliest. Further updates will be issued when new date has been confirmed.
- c) **Revised Road Layout** – Gara Bridge Trial Lane Chicane System – this was circulated to all. Clerk to contact Nick Colton for update.
- d) **Parish Road Warden Scheme** – This was discussed. Cllr Crocker is happy to store any materials. A couple of residents have expressed an interest in the scheme.

2024 066 Planning

a) Planning applications considered:

1. Reference 1110/24/CLE – Certificate of Lawfulness for Existing Use. Site Address: Greenpark, West Moore Farm, Diptford, Totnes, TQ9 7PE. Description: Certificate of Lawfulness for existing commencement of 45/0149/15/F for demolition of existing single storey dwelling and replace with two storey dwelling. **No Comment.**
2. Reference: 0037/24/FUL – Full planning application. Site Address: Lower Farleigh, Farleigh Service Road, Moreleigh, TQ9 7JW. Description: New agricultural barn for grain and machinery storage. **Support.**
3. Reference: 1238/24/ARC – Approval of Details reserved by Conditions. Site Address: Simpson Farm, Diptford, TQ9 7NF. Description: Application for approval of details reserved by Condition 3 (Windows/Patio Doors) of Planning Consent 0180/24/LBC **Note no comments required, for information only.**
4. Reference: 1081/24/FUL – Full Planning Application. Site Address: Stert Barton Lodge, Diptford, TQ9 7NB. Description: Replacement dwelling following Class Q approval ref 0306/23/PDM. **Support.**

b) Planning applications to note/decisions:

1. Reference 1302/24/ARC – Approval of details reserved by conditions. Site Address: Thorn Farm, Springfield, Beenleigh Bridge Road, Diptford, TQ9 7NF. Description: Application for approval of details reserved by condition 4 (Sustainable Drainage Option) for planning consent 2669/21/FUL. **Approved**

c) Planning Applications Withdrawn

1. None

2024 067 Finance

1. The following payments were approved:

Payments

A Kohler – Clerks Office - £16.00
A Kohler – Mileage/Parking - £9.00
A Kohler – Stationary - £4.00
J & JM Widdicombe – April 24 payment - £125.00
HMRC – Clerk PAYE - £154.40
A Kohler – Salary April 2024 - £717.54

Cllr Parker Davidson - £27.70 keys for noticeboard

Receipts

Interest received - £10.26

Transfers In from Reserves

£125.00 for lengthsman April 24 payment

Transfers Out to Reserves

£689.00 from current a/c to reserves.

£1,000.00 from current a/c to reserves for lengthsman.

2. The Financial Statement was received:

Current Account 8 th May 2024	£6,087.17	£344.00	P3 - Footpath maintenance
MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's expenses	£29.00	£1,000.00	Winter Emergency Planning
PLUS, Uncleared receipts	£0.00	£5,801.60	Community lengthsman project
Current Account	£6,058.17	£600.13	Amenity trust
Savings Accounts	£11,075.33	£3,329.60	Contingency
TOTAL FUNDS	£17,133.50	£11,075.33	Total

Total uncommitted funds £6,058.17

2024 068 Glebe Land

No update to report.

2024 069 Graveyard

No update to report

2024 070 Correspondence

None

2024 071 P3 Parish Paths

No update to report

2024 072 Defibrillator Training

Locality grants have been agreed for this once, details have been finalised.

2024 073 Grant request for £60 to Four Rivers Dementia Alliance.

It was agreed that a small grant of £60 be granted and details of the Eleemosynary Trust be passed to them for further grant funding.

2024 074 Road Warden Scheme

A couple of residents have come forward regarding this scheme and Cllr Crocker is also looking at storing any necessary equipment/supplies.

2024 075 Any Other Business

There was no further business.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next Meeting:

18th June 2024 at 7pm Parish Council Meeting – Diptford Parish Hall – **Please note that this meeting is one week later than the normal cycle.**