

Diptford Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 12th October 2021 7.00 pm
Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs Foster (JF) (Chair), Franklin, (SF), Crocker (TC), Hill (SH), Lethbridge (LL), Parker-Davidson (SPD), Peach (CP), Smerdon (PS)(SHDC), and Sally Smale (Clerk)

1 Member of the public was in attendance

2021 80 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Baggot.

Apologies had also been received from Cllrs Thomas and Pannell.

Report from District Councillor (PS)

See App. 2 on the website <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/reports.php?id=187>

The on-going problems with waste disposal were discussed and PS informed DPC that he had a meeting with the planning enforcement team in 2 weeks and would raise the issue of cases in Diptford Parish.

PS left at 7.30pm

County Councillor Report (Read by JF)

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Clerk to ask for further information regarding the decision not to allow any new 20mph zones in the near future.

Feedback from last meeting:

Marley Head weight limit sign – An officer is trawling the traffic restriction orders. As soon as he has been able to confirm that a weight restriction remains in place he will arrange a new sign.

Gara Bridge – I reported the issue of the safety fencing and was assured that it was being dealt with.

Reminder that there is funding available through the **locality budget**.

2021 81 There were no declarations of interest in items on the Agenda.

2021 82 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th Sept. 2021, circulated previously, were confirmed and signed by the Chair. Updates:

Email Addresses - SPD to discuss the security warning 2 councillors are getting with WesternWeb

Broadband – for next meeting

Beacon View – anticipated start date for building – end Oct / early Nov.

2021 83 Diptford Playing Field

a) The financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust

Current account: £ 2265.31

Savings account: £ 46.30

b) There have been no expressions of interest in taking on regular minor maintenance work in the field although a parishioner has agreed to do 1 current job identified in the last inspection.

It was agreed that an advert for an odd-job / handy person would be placed in the newsletter

2021 84 Highways and Community Lengthsman

a) Clerk to phone SHDC Localities to discuss urgent road-sweeping requirements in the parish to prevent flooding. (In particular at Curtisknowle, in Diptford village and on the road between Diptford and Avonwick.)

b) SPD will speak to the Church regarding water flow out onto the road outside Glebeland before icy conditions set in.

c) Clerk to bid for HMCEF grant and locality grant from DCC for Lengthsman work and the hire of a road sweeper

2021 85 Planning

1. The draft Memorandum of Understanding provided by SHDC Development team (Distributed previously) was reviewed and it was agreed that DPC would agree to enter into the MoU with the District Council

2021 86 Finance**1. The following payments were approved and receipts noted:**

15-Sep-21	For ring-fenced budgets T/F to Savings account	689.10
24-Sep-21	Precept	+ 6,550.00
13th Oct	Clerk's Pay (Includes Tax)	349.74
13th Oct	Clerk's Office (Phone / heating /)	16.00
13th Oct	Clerk's Expenses (Mileage)	13.50
13th Oct	B Sugden Plants for village tubs	62.85
13 th Oct	J Widdicombe Lengthsman	72.00 (Includes VAT)

Amenity Trust budget:

13 th Oct	James Hilton Fencing	New gate	1122.00 (Includes VAT)
13 th Oct	Jane	Grass cutting	85.00

2. The Financial Statement was received:

Current Account 2 nd October 2021	11,232.72	184	P3 - Footpath maintenance
MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's Pay 349.74 Clerk's Office 16.00 Clerk's Expenses 13.50 B Sugden 62.85 J Widdicombe 72.00	514.09	800	Winter Emergency Planning
PLUS Uncleared receipts	0	4,883	Community lengthsman project
Current Account	10,718.63	2,196	Amenity trust
Savings Accounts	9988.08	1,865	Contingency
TOTAL FUNDS	20,706.71	9,928	Total

Total uncommitted funds £ 10,778.71**3. The purchase of new lights for the village Christmas tree up to £200 was agreed.****2021 87 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

SF reported that a committee had been established in the parish and **more members are being sought. The plan is to hold a Community picnic lunch on the Playing Field on Sunday 5th June.**

Clerk to apply for the plant a tree initiative.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

Next Meetings:

**Tuesday 9th November 2021 7pm, Village Hall. – Amenity Trust Meeting followed by Parish Council meeting.
Tuesday 14th December 2021 7pm, Village Hall**