

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

October News

1 member of the public attended the beginning of the parish meeting on 12th October in the Village Hall

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.

County Councillor Report

See App. 1 on the website <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/reports.php?id=187>

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 – Cllr Thomas reported the issue of the safety fencing and was assured that it was being dealt with.

Update from the last meeting held on the 14th Sept. 2021

The developers for the Beacon View site anticipate a start date for building to be end Oct / early Nov.

Diptford Playing Field

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.

If you are interested in taking on occasional odd jobs for the Council please email the clerk for further information.

Highways and Community Lengthsman

The Clerk will be contacting the SHDC Localities team 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.)

The clerk will submit a bid for highways maintenance and locality grant funding from Devon County Council for Lengthsman work and the hire of a road sweeper.

Finance

Following damage to the Christmas tree lights in the storms last year the purchase of new ones was agreed.

DPC will be working on next year's budget over the next couple of months. **If you would like to apply for a grant from the Council now is the time to do so. Please email the clerk with details of the project, costings and a copy of last year's accounts or up-to-date financial statement.**

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Cllr Franklin reported that a committee had been established in the parish and more members are being sought. **If you are interested in getting involved in organising an event in the parish please contact the clerk who will pass your details on.** The plan is to hold a Community picnic lunch on the Playing Field on Sunday 5th June. The clerk is to apply for the plant a tree initiative.

Next Meetings:

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