

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 10th May 2022

Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs Franklin (Vice Chair), Hill (SH), Parker-Davidson (SPD), Peach, Lethbridge (LL), Baggott (BB), Smerdon (PS)(SHDC), Thomas (DT) (DCC) and Ali Kohler (Clerk)

No members of the public attended.

2022 25 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Foster (JF), Crocker (TC), Pannell (GP) (SHDC)

Vice Chair Cllr Franklin chaired the meeting.

Matters arising

Defibrillator is confirmed as being on the Asset Register and it was purchased in 2018

There has been a considerable amount of fly posting and this is not acceptable. We would also like to remind everyone that the community notice board is available for community notices and not to advertise commercial businesses

County Councillor Report

The camera at Gara Bridge should be live from next week. Therefore, any future damage should be recoverable due to the camera footage.

Seventy-three Parishes across Devon have applied for the 20-mile limit zone. There will only be enough monies this time for a handful of 20-mile limit zones to be implemented.

Contractors who are given the work by Highways to repair the reported potholes, do not get paid for their work until the repairs have been completed to a satisfactory standard, no matter how many times they are sent back to complete the works.

The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Thomas for his involvement at Gara Bridge and for following up Highways on the issue of potholes. Also, an email of thanks will be sent from the Parish Council to Daniel Ferris for his work and for keeping us informed with progress updates on the camera installation.

South Hams District Councillor Report

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

2022 45 There were no declarations of interest to be noted.

2022 46 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th May 2022, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Vice Chair

2022 47 Diptford Playing Field

a) The financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust will be updated when access is gained to the bank accounts which is currently being dealt with. Below are the last figures recorded

Current Account: £1020.31

Savings Account: £46.30

b) A discussion was held regarding the tennis courts which need to be resurfaced. The tennis courts are still a wanted item in the community. Grants to be looked at to hopefully help fund the resurfacing. It was proposed to invite Mike Cox (Chair) and Charlie Easton (Secretary) of the Playing Field Committee to the June Parish Council Meeting.

2022 48 Highways and Community Lengthsman

a) There was no work to agree for the Lengthsman at this meeting.

b) To note the Wonton Cross Highways Notice

2022 49 Planning

There were no planning decisions to be discussed. Enforcement cases have been forwarded directly to the Parish Councillors for information only and not for discussion at this meeting.

2022 50 Finance

1. The following payments were approved:

DALC training course - £72.00 (VAT £12.00)

DALC annual subscription - £137.89 (VAT £15.89)

J Widdecombe (Lengthsman) - £180.00 (VAT £30.00)

SHDC Precept - **Received £7050.00**

Clerks Office - £16.00

Clerks Stationery - £10.00

Clerks Mileage - £9.00

Clerks Salary April 22 - £324.67

HMRC Paye - £58.40

2. The Financial Statement was received:

Current Account 30 th April 2022	£11,470.12	£184	P3 - Footpath maintenance
MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's Expenses – 35.00 R Paul – xmas tree - 100.00	£135.00	£800	Winter Emergency Planning
PLUS, Uncleared receipts		£3,183	Community lengthsman project
Current Account	£11,335.12	£2,196	Amenity trust
Savings Accounts	£9,988.67	£1,806	Contingency
TOTAL FUNDS	£21,320.79	£8,169	Total

Total uncommitted funds £ 13,151.79

2022 51 Annual Governance and Accountability Return

To be submitted to next meeting for approval

2022 52 Internal Audit

Agreed the renewal of the contract for 2022 - £120.00

2022 53 Key-safe for Notice Board

This has been all repaired now and the key-safe has been relocated to a more accessible position.

2022 54 Jubilee Celebrations

The plans for the celebrations have now all been finalised and every household in the Parish has been invited.

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Meeting closed at 8.45 PM

Next Meeting:

**Annual General Meeting of Diptford Parish Council
14th June 2022, 7pm, Village Hall**