

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 11th October 2022

Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs Foster (Chair) (JF), Lethbridge (LL), Parker-Davidson (SPD), Crocker (TC), Hill (SH), Pannell (GP) (SHDC), Cllrs Thomas (DT) (DCC), and Ali Kohler (Clerk)

One member of the public was present.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2022 106 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Franklin (Vice Chair) (SF), Smerdon (PS)(SHDC) Peach (CP), and Baggott (BB),

Matters arising

None

County Councillors Report.

Cllr Thomas advised that he has access to a reduced locality budget of £8,000 again.

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

South Hams District Councillors Report

Cllr Pannell advised that there will be a full special council meeting on Thursday to discuss the freeport situation.

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

2022 107 Declarations of Interest – none declared

2022 108 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 22nd September 2022, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair

2022 109 Diptford Playing Field

a) To receive the financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust

Current Account: £1,376.27

Savings Account: £46.30

The parish clerk now has full access to the amenity trust bank accounts.

The AGM of the Diptford Amenity Trust will be held prior to the next parish council meeting on Tuesday 8th November at 7pm.

b) Tennis Courts – no update

2022 110 Highways and Community Lengthsman

a) Knotweed has been noted but the Lengthsman would be unable to remove this safely.

b) The collapsed drain at Glebelands needs to be investigated and repaired before the winter to stop any issues. Letter was sent to Emily Rix (Savills) and copy to Nick Colton (Highways). No reply has been received from Emily Rix (Savills) to date despite the letter and telephone messages being left. Clerk to continue chasing up a response from Emily Rix (Savills)

c) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) (CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, CURTISKNOWLE) NOTICE 2022 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC & PARKING. From Monday 14th November 2022 (for a maximum of 5 days) to Wednesday 16th November (inclusive) No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed or wait on the

sections of Affected Roads. Roads affected - CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, CURTISKNOWLE The alternative, signed, route for vehicles will be via - CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, THEN CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, THEN CRABADON CROSS TO FARLEIGH CROSS, THEN CRABADON CROSS TO FARLEIGH CROSS, THEN FARLEIGH CROSS TO ZC793 ALONG ZC43, BACK ROAD END TO MORELEIGH CROSS ALONG ZC793, THEN PLACE BARTON FARM TO LOWER COMMON, THEN GARA BRIDGE TO LOWER COMMON, THEN CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, AND CRABADON CROSS TO GARA BRIDGE, AND VICE VERSA.

This temporary restriction is considered necessary to enable - **EXCAVATE 36M IN CARRIAGEWAY AND LAY UNDERGROUND POLY DUCT WITH THE PURPOSE OF ENABLING FIBRE OPTIC SERVICE TO PHONE MAST**

2022 111 Planning

a) Planning applications considered

1. 3079/22/FUL Proposal: Erection of a rural worker's dwelling. Site: Spindle Wood Farm, Halwell, TQ9 7JZ – **There were no objections to the application provided that all agricultural and business criteria were met.**

Cllr Thomas left the meeting

b) Planning applications to note:

1. 2292/22/HHO Location: Lupridge Chapel, Diptford, TQ9 7NW. Applicant name: Mr Mike Hoyle Application Type: Householder Grid Reference: 271400, 53429. Proposal: Householder application for single storey rear extension to accommodate larger porch. Case Officer: Sarah Carroll Decision Date: 27th September 2022 Decision: **Conditional Approval**
2. 3234/22/PDM Location: Greyhills Diptford TQ9 7NQ Contact name: Bryony Hanlon. Full Grid reference: 275689, 55858. Application Type: Prior approval agricultural building to dwelling. Applicant name: Nick Zeiher. Application: Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to 1 no dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q (a+b))

c) Planning applications withdrawn:

2814/22/PDM Location: Building at SX 7425 5675 Diptford Totnes. Applicant name: Mr Robin Tozer and Mr Hugh Byrne. Applicant Type: Prior approval Agricultural building to dwelling C3 Grid Reference: 274255, 56755. Proposal: Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to 1 No dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q (a+b)) Case Officer: Chloe Allen. Decision Date: 30 September 2022. Decision: **WITHDRAWN**

Cllr Pannell left the meeting and gave his apologies for the November Parish Council meeting.

2022 112 Finance

1. The following payments were approved:

payments

A Kohler – Clerks Office - £16.00

A Kohler – Mileage/Parking - £11.25

A Kohler – Stationary - £4.00

HMRC – Clerk PAYE - £76.60

A Kohler – Salary Aug 2022 - £306.47

Webmaster – IT - £96.00 (including vat)

J Widdecombe – invoice 1898 - £52.00 (including VAT)

Post office – special delivery - £6.85

receipts

Interest received £0.60

Precept second payment - £7,050

P3 Grant - £1060

transfers

£1750 was transferred from Reserves (Amenity Trust) to Amenity Trust Bank Account as agreed and noted in the minutes of September 2022 Parish Council Meeting

2. The Financial Statement was received:

Current Account 4 th October 2022	£9,415.44	£344	P3 - Footpath maintenance
MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's expenses	£31.25	£1000	Winter Emergency Planning
PLUS, Uncleared receipts	£0.00	£5283	Community lengthsman project
Current Account	£9,384.19	£2,426	Amenity trust
Savings Accounts	£14,689.34	£2,865	Contingency
TOTAL FUNDS	£24,073.53	£11,918	Total

Total uncommitted funds £ 12,155.53

2022 113 Correspondence

Letter to Emily Rix (Savills) with a copy to Nick Colton (Highways) was sent as agreed at September Parish Council meeting with regards to the excess water running across the road at Glebefields. To date no reply has been received and clerk to continue chasing for a response from Emily Rix (Savills).

2022 114 – External Auditors

It was agreed to continue to opt in with the current External Auditors. Clerk to take necessary action to continue this arrangement.

2022 115 Clerk Review

Clerk's appraisal to take place on 17th October with Cllr Foster (Chair) and Cllr Franklin (Vice Chair). Details will be noted in the next Parish Council meeting.

2022 116 Any other business – none to note

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Next Meeting:

Diptford Amenity Trust AGM -Tuesday 8th November 2022, 7pm, Village Hall

Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 8th November 2022, after Amenity Trust AGM, Village Hall

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