

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 14th March 2023

Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs Foster (Chair) (JF), Franklin (Vice Chair) (SF), Parker-Davidson (SPD), Lethbridge (LL), Baggott (BB), Peach (CP), Crocker (TC), Smerdon (PS) (SHDC), Pannell (GP) (SHDC) Thomas (DT) (DCC) and Ali Kohler (Clerk)

There were two members of the public attending.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2023 44 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hill (SH) and Thomas (DT) (DCC)

Matters arising.

County Councillors Report.

No report for this meeting

South Hams District Councillors Report

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

Thanks were given to Cllrs Pannell and Smerdon for their support over the last year.

Open Forum

David Hancock and Lister Bass, candidates standing for election for the SHDC Election introduced themselves to the meeting.

2023 45 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Crocker – planning reference 1037/23/ARM

2023 46 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th March 2023, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

2023 47 Diptford Playing Field

a) To receive the financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust

Current Account: £1,206.27

Savings Account: £46.40

Receipts

Interest received - £0.05

Payments

none

b) Tennis Courts – clerk to contact the inspection team, to request that a full assessment be carried out on the condition of the surface of the tennis courts, and then further actions can be agreed at future meetings.

c) Play Equipment – to be assessed for useful life of existing equipment

d) **School use of playing fields during building works – all agreed**

2023 48 Highways and Community Lengthsman

- a) **Lengthsman** – work continuing on the buddle holes.
- b) **Road Sweeper** – Cllr Pannell (GP) (SHDC) to follow up when the street sweeper will visit Diptford.
- c) **Ploughing of Lanes** – waiting for the street sweeper to visit before this commences.
- d) **Damage to Gara Bridge** – It has been confirmed that the CCTV footage that was captured was enough evidence to pursue a claim for the repairs needed.

2023 49 Planning

a) Planning applications considered:

- 1. Reference: 0617/23/HHO Proposal: Householder application for an extension to dwelling. Site address: The Homestead, Halwell, TQ9 7LA. Recommendations to be made by 20th April 2023 – **agreed no objections.**
- 2. Reference: 0855/23/FUL. Proposal: Engineering operations to install package treatment plant and discharge to watercourse for seasonal campsite. Change of use for previously approved farm track to a mixed use of agricultural and seasonal camping access. Application Type: Full Planning Application. Recommendations to be received by 27 April 2023. – The parish council have concerns regarding access, and the look of it. There are concerns of an accident risk on having an access on such a busy road – **Decision – Object,**
- 3. Reference: 1037/23/ARM. Proposal: Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval 1809/21/OPA (outline application with all matters reserved for construction of agricultural worker's dwelling (resubmission of 0429/21/OPA) Application Type: Reserved Matters Application. Site address: Coombeshead Farm, Diptford, TQ9 7NG. Recommendations by 4th May – **Decision - Support**

b) Planning applications to note/decisions:

- 1. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0116/23/FUL Diptford LOCATION: Higher Farleigh Meadow Diptford TQ9 7JW APPLICANT NAME: Mr S Fearon APPLICATION TYPE: Full Planning Application GRID REFERENCE: (275952, 53497) PROPOSAL: Application to regularise & retain an agricultural storage building (resubmission 2156/22/FUL) (Retrospective) CASE OFFICER: Charlotte Howrihane **DECISION DATE: 15-March-2023. DECISION: Refusal**
- 2. Application number 0478/23/ARC Location: Barns at Lower Moore Farm Diptford TQ9 7PE. Applicant Name: Mr P Davies – PJD Construction. Application for approval details reserved by condition 8 (driveway, drains, retaining walls, etc) of planning consent 2338/22/FUL. **Note there is no statutory consultation requirement for this application – this is for information only.**
- 3. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0478/23/ARC South Brent LOCATION: Barns at Lower East Moore Farm Diptford TQ9 7PE APPLICANT NAME: Mr P Davies - PJD Construction Ltd APPLICATION TYPE: Approval of Details Reserved by Conditions (discharge) GRID REFERENCE: (274755, 58780) PROPOSAL: Application for approval of details reserved by condition 8 (driveway, drains, retaining walls etc) of planning consent 2338/22/FUL CASE OFFICER: Adelle Barry **DECISION DATE: 15-March-2023 DECISION: Discharge of condition Refused**

4. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0080/23/FUL Diptford LOCATION: Land At Sx 760 529 Back Road Moreleigh APPLICANT NAME: Mr S Hallett APPLICATION TYPE: Full Planning Application GRID REFERENCE: (276082, 52905) PROPOSAL: Erection of agricultural storage building. CASE OFFICER: Bryony Hanlon **DECISION DATE: 24-March-2023 DECISION: Refusal**
5. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0255/23/FUL Diptford LOCATION: Holsome Park Diptford TQ9 7NA APPLICANT NAME: GT & LE Lethbridge APPLICATION TYPE: Full Planning Application GRID REFERENCE: (273520, 56496) PROPOSAL: The provision of an agricultural building to roof over two existing silage clamps CASE OFFICER: David Stewart **DECISION DATE: 29-March-2023 DECISION: Conditional Approval**
6. APPLICATION NUMBER : 0306/23/PDM LOCATION : Building at SX 7425 5675 Diptford Totnes APPLICANT NAME : Mr & Mr Robin and Hugh Tozer and Byrne APPLICATION TYPE : Prior Approval Agricultural building to dwelling C3 GRID REFERENCE : (274241, 56748) PROPOSAL : Application to determine if prior approval is required for proposed change of use of agricultural building to 1No. dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q (a+b)) CASE OFFICER : Chloe Allen **DECISION DATE: 03-April-2023 DECISION: Prior Approval Required and Given.**

c) Planning Applications Withdrawn

1. Parish Diptford APPLICATION NUMBER: 3935/22/ARM 223935 South Brent LOCATION: Land at SX 748 558 Diptford APPLICANT NAME: Mr & Mrs TL & SLM Crocker APPLICATION TYPE: Reserved Matters application GRID REFERENCE: (274857, 55852) PROPOSAL: Application for approval of all matters reserved following outline approval reference 1809/21/OPA for construction of agricultural worker's dwelling. CASE OFFICER: Charlotte Howrihane **DECISION DATE: 06March-2023 DECISION: Withdrawn**
2. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0359/23/PAA 230359 South Brent LOCATION: Land at SX 7455 5780 Diptford APPLICANT NAME: R J Soper APPLICATION TYPE: Prior Approval Application GRID REFERENCE: (274559, 57811) PROPOSAL: Prior Approval application for provision of general-purpose agricultural machinery & fodder storage building following application 4136/22/AGR. CASE OFFICER: David Stewart **DECISION DATE: 23-March-2023 DECISION: Withdrawn.**
3. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0189/23/FUL 230189 South Brent LOCATION: West Moore Farm Diptford TQ9 7PE APPLICANT NAME: Mr Colwill APPLICATION TYPE: Full Planning Application GRID REFERENCE: (274242, 58760) PROPOSAL: Change of use of 5 holiday cottages to 5 dwelling houses CASE OFFICER: Charlotte Howrihane. **DECISION DATE: 20-March-2023 DECISION: Withdrawn.**
4. APPLICATION NUMBER: 0375/23/PDM 230375 South Brent LOCATION: Barn At Sx 754 560 Diptford APPLICANT NAME: Mr & Mrs Collings APPLICATION TYPE: Prior Approval Agricultural building to dwelling C3 GRID REFERENCE: (275423, 56088) PROPOSAL: Application to determine if prior approval is required for proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to 2 No. dwellinghouse (Class C3) and associated operational development (Class Q (a+b)) CASE OFFICER: Chloe Allen **DECISION DATE: 27-March-2023 DECISION: Withdrawn**

2023 50 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

HMRC – Clerk PAYE - £123.00
A Kohler – Salary March 2023 - £492.77
Norton Software £12.50 – (shared with Ringmore)
Microsoft 365 - £39.99 (shared with Ringmore)
Diptford Social Club - £250.00 – Coronation Celebrations
Diptford Church - £500 – Graveyard Maintenance

Receipts

Interest received £16.68
Training recharged to Ringmore - £36.00
Devon CC – Locality Grant - £200 – Jubilee celebrations

Transfers

From savings £395.82 for defibrillator supplies

2. The Financial Statement was received:

Current Account 18 th April 2023	£3,475.45	£344.00	P3 - Footpath maintenance
MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's expenses	£29.00	£1000.00	Winter Emergency Planning
PLUS, Uncleared receipts	£0.00	£5283.00	Community lengthsman project
Current Account	£3,446.75	£5,700.13	Amenity trust
Savings Accounts	£14830.14	£2,503.01	Contingency
TOTAL FUNDS	£18,276.89	£14,830.14	Total

Total uncommitted funds £ 3,446.75

2023 51 Glebe Land

No update

2023 52 Graveyard

The Parish Council is currently waiting on an update regarding the closure of the graveyard.

2023 53 Correspondence

Letter of thanks was sent to John Rawlinson for his talk on the Primrose Trail at the Diptford Annual Parish Meeting.

2023 54 P3 Parish Paths

No update

2023 55 Coronation of King Charles III

Everyone is looking forward to the parish celebrations of the coronation of King Charles III.

2023 56 Any other business

Notice Boards – Locksmiths need to attend to check the locks, actions will be decided upon once inspection has taken place.

Next Meeting:

Annual Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 25th May 2023, 7pm. This will be followed by the Parish Council Meeting (note the different date from normal due to the Local Elections)