

# DEWLISH PARISH COUNCIL

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16<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 at 7.30pm at Dewlish Village Hall for the purpose of conducting the following business.

**A Crocker**

Amanda Crocker

Clerk to the Parish Council

## AGENDA

1. Public participation
2. To receive apologies for absence
3. To receive Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests
4. To co-opt a new Parish Councillor
5. Minutes of previous meeting dated 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024
6. Matters Arising from previous minutes for report only
7. To receive the Dorset Councillor's report – August and September reports attached
8. To receive the Police Report – August report attached
9. Finance
  - (a) To agree the payment of accounts and note any income received
  - (b) To confirm the reconciliation of accounts and position against budget
10. To receive reports on the following matters and to agree actions
  - (a) Planning
    - (i) To receive a report on The Big Conversation
    - (ii) P/OUT/2024/02674 – To confirm the response submitted
    - (iii) P/PABA/2024/04876 - Chebbard Farm, Warren Hill – information only  
Erection of an agricultural building
    - (iv) P/HOU/2024/04163 - Old Parsonage Farmhouse, Middle Street  
Installation of replacement foul & surface water drainage systems with pumping stations for both systems to lift the discharge to the nearby watercourse  
P/LBC/2024/04164 - Old Parsonage Farmhouse – Listed Building Consent
    - (v) P/OUT/2024/02874 - Land at Dewlish Road, Milborne St Andrew  
To erect up to 70 dwellings, access and public open space
  - (b) Police, Traffic and Roads – August Police Report attached
  - (c) Parish Amenities and Rights of Way
  - (d) Parish Surgeries
11. To review the D-Day commemorations
12. To accept the new model Standing Orders
13. To accept the new model Financial Regulations

14. To receive a report on the DAPTC Central Area Committee meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> August
15. To confirm arrangements for Remembrance Sunday and the purchase of a wreath
16. To consider .gov.uk email addresses for all councillors
17. Parish Councillor reports on items not covered by the agenda
18. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## Report to the Parish Council August 2023 Councillor Jill Haynes Chalk Valleys Ward Dorset Council

Hello Councillors and Members of the public. August is traditionally a quite month at the council as officers spend some time with their families during the school holidays. Therefore it is a short report this month.

### **Award of grants**

One of the ways Dorset Council can make limited resources go further and reduce the need for local taxation is through active pursuit of external funding opportunities. These opportunities are often competitive processes require bidders to put forward ambitious ideas and demonstrate a commitment to delivery in accordance with the scheme criteria. Successfully bidding helps to accelerate and unlock improved outcomes for those that live, work and invest in Dorset. For the period 2020/21 to 2023/24 Dorset Council has received £101.3m of grant funding. In total we have been successful in more than 35 bids and some of the major wins are below:

- DSG Safety Valve £42m
- Levelling Up Fund (LUF) – Weymouth Regeneration £19.5m
- Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme - Main Grant £18.8m
- DfT Transforming Cities Fund £14.2m

The council is proud to have won so many bids and will continue to explore all future grant opportunities.

### **Prevention by working in Partnership.**

The government is pushing councils and health authorities to work more closely and more efficiently to give residents the care they expect by establishing Integrated Care Systems (ICS). Dorset's ICS was one of the first when it was created in 2018 and the drive towards a common approach to digital has dominated our partnership.

Dorset has one of the biggest health and social care challenges because of its demographics, with a much higher proportion of residents aged over 65 than regional and national averages. We have benefited from national funding to trial approaches to improving efficiency. Dorset Council has been working more closely with our local health partners in three main areas: by sharing data to understand population need, having common goals including a relentless focus on prevention and a shared approach to digital skills. We are beginning to see the benefits of this collaboration.

The award-winning Dorset Intelligence and Insight Service (DiiS) brings together millions of data records from health and social care across Dorset and makes them widely accessible via interactive digital dashboards. This amalgamation of data is delivering better outcomes for local people in a fairer, more cost-effective and productive way. It links health and social care information, providing population health management information and enabling clinicians to design services based on what is required across the ICS.

"It's clinically led. Clinicians tell us what they want to achieve and we get them all the data and information they need," says Stephen Slough, chief digital information officer at NHS Dorset. 800,000 patient records are updated nightly across Dorset, with other feeds updating every 15 minutes. The focus now is on what we need to do to prevent illness, address inequalities and help communities manage their own health and wellbeing.

Making prevention the core of what we do will lead to better outcomes and quality of life, more personalised services and, vitally, will reduce the inequities across the county. Prevention is a real and long-lasting way to reduce the unsustainable load on our health and care services.

Dorset Council has been piloting digital inclusion approaches with Dorset NHS for several years and has extended its support programme to encompass health. As well as recruiting and supporting volunteer digital champions (VDC) to work in surgeries, around 100 of its nearly 940 embedded digital champions are from the NHS. These frontline workers help people in the moment, as they need to download an app onto their phone for example, or signpost them to other services for more in-depth help. The council also has device and data-giving projects to help people get online which can be extended to those who need it to access health applications. Work continues with other councils on a possible Devolution Deal which could bring considerable bespoke funding for things like transport links and supporting rural bus routes. The consultation on the new Housing Strategy is coming to a close and then the process of writing and approving the strategy will be completed this autumn. We are looking at ways to fund the new Digital Infrastructure strategy which will be vital to insure we have appropriate coverage for both broadband and mobile phone coverage going forward. In September we will start the really challenging process of setting the budget for next year. A bit like the schools it is back to the start of a new term in September with lots of work to do.

## Report to the parish council 5/9/24

Cllr Jill Haynes Chalk Valleys Ward

Dear Clerks, Councillors and members of the public,

After my report on Housing matters last month this time I am providing an update on some of the proposed central Government changes to planning. The proposals are out to consultation at the moment but will have a considerable impact on Dorset if they are implemented.

On 30 July, the Government made a Written Ministerial Statement and announced a consultation on a series of changes to the planning system, including a draft revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Responses are invited by 24 September. (So a very short time frame!)

The proposed changes aim to increase house building across the country. There is a new standard methodology for calculating housing targets, which would result in them being significantly higher. Targets would be mandatory rather than advisory, and where they cannot be met due to constraints, then the potential for neighbouring councils to meet them should be examined. There would be greater flexibility around potential development within the Green Belt, where necessary to meet housing requirements. New legislation would be introduced to require a level of strategic planning across the country, and in the meantime the existing 'duty to cooperate' is proposed to be strengthened. All councils are urged to bring up to date local plans in place as soon as possible. Changes to the process of preparing local plans, as previously proposed, are still due to take effect, but the timing of their introduction will be later, and councils are advised not to wait for that change before progressing their plans. These changes will have very significant implications for the preparation of the Dorset Council Local Plan, which will need to be based on the new higher housing targets. The consultation also includes suggestions for increasing planning application fees, so that the fees would cover a greater proportion of the costs of considering applications.

The most significant implication for this Council is the change to the standard methodology for calculating housing targets. **The standard methodology housing target for Dorset Council, under the proposed new methodology, will increase from 1,793 homes a year to 3,230, which is well beyond the scope of the options we consulted on in the 2021 local plan consultation.** To put the Dorset figures into further context, there are currently 10,128 homes with planning permission and not yet built, and a further 5,376 allocated in plans: a total supply of 19,186. **Planning for new homes does not guarantee their provision, and it is not certain that the market would be able to deliver the level of increase proposed.** The consultation documents say that environmental constraints **may** prevent the targets being achievable in some areas, and this is likely to be the case in Dorset, with its two National Landscapes and variety of highly protected habitats sites. This will however require strong arguments, a full review of green belt opportunities, and examination of whether any unmet need could be met in neighbouring areas.

There are over 100 questions to be answered in the consultation document and the Dorset Council response will be debated at the Cabinet meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

I totally agree that there is a real problem with house prices both for purchase and for rent and that there are insufficient numbers of affordable houses in Dorset. However, the proposals do not seem to address or understand what happens in a rural, picturesque region like Dorset. Most new houses do not go to local people but to those moving in from outside. We already have passed planning for over 10,000 homes but the developers are not bringing these forward in the current economic climate. Perhaps we can do more for locals as they have in some of the National parks where all development has a local only clause on the planning? We all know that developers agree to the affordable aspect of an application and often then say they cannot afford to build them and so all the houses become market price. Putting smaller developments into our villages without further infrastructure like schools, Dr's and bus services will not work. We need to strategically plan bigger settlements which cover all these things and that cannot be done quickly.

The proposals will just open the door for development where developers will make the most money and there will be nothing the council will be able to do as we cannot get to the numbers required for the five-year housing supply to stop them. It is very worrying and quite frankly depressing.

## Planning Enforcement

Much of my mail box is complaints about planning issues and so I thought I would give a bit more information on this area. The first point to note is that it is done at the discretion of the council, and therefore not as the word implies we do not force people to do something. The idea is to ensure that matters are safe and the default is to ask for a planning application to regularise a position.

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (“Act”) provides the main legislative framework for dealing with breaches of planning control. The Act provides the Council with the necessary powers to deal with breaches of planning control whilst the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG), provide government guidance on how the Council should deal with breaches of planning control.

The NPPF (National Planning Policy Framework) states:

Effective enforcement is important to maintain public confidence in the planning system. Enforcement action is **discretionary**, and local planning authorities should act proportionately in responding to suspected breaches of planning control.

I think that the priority criteria chart is helpful in showing the council’s priorities in enforcement matters. A rough idea on caseload is some 40-60 matters are reported each month and a similar number are resolved and signed off although there may be some months for this to happen on an individual case.

Priority	Examples of Alleged Breach Of Planning Control
<p>1 <b>Site visit within 1-2 working days of receipt.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unauthorised development/activity which is causing immediate and irreversible harm in the locality.</li> <li>• Unauthorised works to trees subject of a Tree Preservation Order or to trees in a conservation area.</li> <li>• Unauthorised works to a Listed Building.</li> <li>• Development which is likely to give rise to a serious risk of harm to public health, public safety or seriously compromise highway safety (including a Breach of Condition).</li> <li>• Development that may adversely affect or destroy a site of nature conservation value.</li> </ul>
<p>2 <b>Site visit within 10 working days from receipt.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stationing a new residential caravan in the countryside (including gypsy sites and travelling show people sites).</li> <li>• Works not in accordance with a planning permission.</li> <li>• Householder development.</li> <li>• Commencement of development (following the grant of planning permission) without discharging ‘pre-commencement’ conditions – except for issues such as landscaping or means of enclosure, which are unlikely to require immediate action.</li> </ul>
<p>3 <b>Site visit within 15 working days from receipt.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All other breaches of conditions.</li> <li>• Changes of use not covered by Priority 1 or 2.</li> <li>• Earthworks and changes to land levels.</li> <li>• Display of advertisements.</li> <li>• Agricultural developments.</li> <li>• Equestrian related developments.</li> <li>• Gates, walls, fences.</li> <li>• Satellite dishes.</li> <li>• Untidy land.</li> </ul> <p><u>(Note: adverts and fence issues may be increased in priority if highway safety issues are identified).</u></p>

## Dorchester Rural East Neighbourhood Policing Team Crime Report

AUGUST 2024

Dear Councillors,

Below is a breakdown of crimes/incidents that have occurred in your areas during the month of July.

**N.B.** Any crimes/incidents of a sensitive nature are not in this report, e.g., of a personal nature or which may identify individuals.

We continue to patrol all areas and are using social media to keep members of the public apprised of our actions.

Dorchester NPT website address is [Dorchester | Your area | Dorset Police | Dorset Police](#)

Our Face Book Page address is: [www.facebook.com/DorchesterPolice/](http://www.facebook.com/DorchesterPolice/)

Our Twitter Page is: <https://twitter.com/DorchesterPolice>

Our Instagram Page is: <https://www.instagram.com/dorchesterpolice/>

Dorset Alert messaging system registration to receive messages is:

<https://www.dorsetalert.co.uk/pages/2451/1/Register.html>

Contacting Dorset Police (non-emergency)

Do it Online: [Contact us | Dorset Police](#)

Telephone: 101 \*(Calls to the 101 non-emergency number from both landlines and mobiles are free)

To report information to the police with 100% anonymity, contact the independent charity Crimestoppers online at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org) or call Freephone 0800 555 111

### DFCA

#### **Broadmayne Parish Council:**

No reports

#### **Knightsford Parish Council (Tincton/West Knighton/West Stafford/Woodsford):**

10/08/2024 Tincton – criminal damage to van during a private van sale.

### DFCB

#### **Crossways Parish Council:**

04/08/2024 Crossways – Possible Poaching, bright lights in field and believe on foot. Occurred around 02:30

07/08/2024 Crossways – Possible Poachers in field – bright lights and believe on foot. Occurred just before 01:00

14/08/2024 Crossways – level crossing damaged by lorry.

14/08/2024 Silverlakes – theft of speaker from holiday let.

15/08/2024 Crossways – electric bicycle (non-assisted) being ridden in an Anti-social manner.

18/08/2024 Crossways – Telehandler on fire

23/08/2024 Crossways – theft of fuel from motor vehicle parked at Crossways village hall.

#### **Osmington Parish Council:**

05/08/2024 Campsite – theft of mobile phone – no lines of enquiry

26/08/2024 Osmington – male in front garden, police attended, intoxicated male sent home.

#### **Owermoigne Parish Council:**

No Reports Made

### DFCC

#### **Cheselbourne Parish Council:**

No Reports Made

**Dewlish Parish Council:**

No Reports Made

**Puddletown/Tolpuddle/Athelhampton/Burleston Parish Council:**

- 19/08/2024 Puddletown – report of break to empty property
- 19/08/2024 Tolpuddle – suspicious incident – 2 males in a car parked by farm workshop, sped off when approached - potential link to hunt saboteurs.
- 20/08/2024 Puddletown – bank card stolen from car parked at Puddletown Recreation Ground – under investigation.
- 21/08/2024 Puddletown – caravan in layby – enquiries made by officer no concerns.
- 25/08/2024 Puddletown – old artillery shells found in river.

**DFCD**

**Buckland Newton Parish Council:**

- 24/07/2024 Duntish – theft from outbuilding – ifor William Tri-axel 20' x 7'6" stolen.

**Melcombe Bingham Parish Council:**

No Reports Made

**Piddle Valley Parish Council:**

- 09/08/2024 Piddlehinton – Enterprise Park – anti-social driving of a vehicle being driven around the estate – when officers attended, they had left the area.
- 14/08/2024 Piddlehinton – Theft from motor vehicle, orange Husqvarna Chain Saw taken – under investigation (incident happened 08/08/2024)
- 23/08/2024 Piddhinton – theft of cable from Bourne Park

**OTHER:**

**COMMUNITY CONTACT POINTS**

The scheduled Contact Points are:

- 13/09/2024 Crossways – Crossways village hall – Oddfellows coffee morning 11:00 – 12:00

A Community Contact Point is a pop-up event where you can speak to me to discuss an issue and receive crime prevention advice. You can also report a crime (incident) or discuss any issues affecting you or your community.

This is a drop-in style event with no need to make an appointment.

There may be additional Community Contact Points over the next three months. Community Contact Points will be advertised by Dorchester Police on the Dorset Police website and the Dorchester Police Facebook Page.

[Contact us | Dorset Police](#)

Dorset Police does not have the ability to monitor Community social media groups and valuable intelligence is missed.

In addition, if there is an ongoing problem, for example anti-social behaviour, I am unable to seek support for additional police resources to address the issues.

Regards

PCSO 6500 Alison Donnison

Dorchester East Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team

## Payments Requested - September 2024

Date	Payee	Comments	Folio	Precept £
29.08.24	M Fell	Reimburse purchase of laptop	BACS041	409.01
10.09.24	M Fell	Reimburse Office 365 products	BACS042	53.99
19.09.24	A Crocker	August/September 24 salary	BACS043	411.24
19.09.24	HMRC	August/September 24 PAYE	BACS044	81.00
<b>Total amount requested</b>				<b>955.24</b>

## Item 9(b)

Dewlish Parish Council  
Reconciliation of Accounts

Balance b/fwd	From 31.03.24			20355.27
Add:	Income year to date			3183.14
Less:	Expenditure to date			3566.47
<b>Balance as at 19.09.24</b>				<b>19971.94</b>
<b>Funded by:</b>				
Deposit account	00260298		1280.85	
Current account	01230392		19646.33	
				20927.18
<b>Add:</b>	Uncleared Income			
				0.00
29.08.24	M Fell	Reimburse Laptop	BACS041	409.01
10.09.24	M Fell	Reimburse Office 365	BACS042	53.99
19.09.24	A Crocker	August/Sept salary	BACS043	411.24
19.09.24	HMRC	August/Sept PAYE	BACS044	81.00
				955.24
<b>Balance as at 19.09.24</b>				<b>19971.94</b>
		Difference		0.00



**Dewlish Parish Council**  
**Budget Monitoring for the year ended 31st March**  
**2025**

Description	2024/25 Budget	Actual	Balance	
<b>Receipts</b>	-			
Account Interest	75.00	120.64	45.64	
Precept	6,125.00	3,062.50	(3,062.50)	
CIL receipts		0.00	0.00	
Misc income		0.00	0.00	
VAT refunded		0.00	0.00	
<b>Total receipts</b>	6,200.00	3,183.14	(3,016.86)	
			0.00	
<b>Payments</b>				
DAPTC Subs. + other subs	100.00	159.34	(59.34)	
Insurance	730.00	721.65	8.35	
Training	50.00	35.00	15.00	
Wages - Clerk	2,795.00	1,215.00	1,580.00	
Clerk Expenses - mileage	50.00	42.39	7.61	
Office costs	150.00	61.81	88.19	
Stationery & postage	50.00	4.60	45.40	
Computer costs- web hosting	145.00	0.00	145.00	
Telephones		152.72	(152.72)	
Venue hire	200.00	0.00	200.00	
Grass cutting	250.00	0.00	250.00	
Audit fees	70.00	71.00	(1.00)	
Honorarium	50.00	0.00	50.00	
Defib Maintenance	130.00	0.00	130.00	
Contingencies	100.00	57.60	42.40	
Election costs	50.00		50.00	
Grants	500.00	0.00	500.00	
Bridge upgrade		570.00	(570.00)	
Asset maintenance	700.00	394.83	305.17	
VAT		80.53	(80.53)	
<b>Total payments</b>	0.00	6,120.00	3,566.47	
			2,553.53	
			0.00	
Balance b/fwd from 31.03.24	20,355.27		Monies held in bank	20,927.18
Income to date	3183.14	23,538.41		
<b>Earmarked Reserves</b>			Add:	
Election costs	450.00		Income not cleared	
Training	115.00		Less:	
Venue hire	400.00			
Grass cutting	500.00			
Audit fee	74.00			
Telephone box maintenance	200.00		Cheques not cleared	(955.24)
Upgrade of The Green	4,430.00			
CIL receipts	2,390.01			
General asset maintenance	1,363.51	9,922.52	Earmarked funds	(9,922.52)
Expenses for current year to date	3,566.47			
		3,566.47		
<b>Balance available not yet committed</b>	<b>10,049.42</b>		<b>General Reserve</b>	<b>10,049.42</b>
				<b>0.00</b>