DEWLISH PARISH COUNCIL

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21st October 2024

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 29th October 2024 at 7.30pm at Dewlish Village Hall for the purpose of conducting the following business.

Amanda Crocker Clerk to the Parish Council

Short democratic period for members of the public to raise any issues of concern

AGENDA

- 1. To receive apologies for absence
- 2. To receive Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting dated 23rd September 2024
- 4. Matters Arising from previous minutes for report only
- 5. To receive the Dorset Councillor's report attached
- 6. To consider the Co-Option of a Parish Councillor
- 7. Finance
 - (a) To agree the payment of accounts and note any income received
 - (b) To confirm the reconciliation of accounts and position against budget
 - (c) To note any items for inclusion in the 2024/2025 budget
 - (d) To review banking
- 8. To receive reports on the following matters and to agree actions
 - (a) Planning:

P/HOU/2024/05910 Old Parsonage Farm – dismantling& reconstruction of chimney stack, repairs to roof and roof timbers

P/LBC/2024/05911 Old Parsonage Farm – Listed Building Consent

P/NMA/2024/05818 Dewlish House, Dewlish Cross – Non-material amendment to

P/FUL/2022/02402 relocate swimming pool & erect landing stage

P/HOU/2024/05965 5 Milborne Wood Cottages, Milborne Road – Demolish existing conservatory and erect new single storey rear extension

P/FUL/2024/05761 Crawthorne Farm, Jock's Hill

Erection of winer building (demolish 2 steel portal frames)

- (b) Police, Traffic and Roads to consider a community WhatsApp group
- (c) Parish Amenities and Rights of Way
- (d) Parish Surgeries
- 9. Items received since the agenda was set
- 10. Councillor reports on items not covered by the agenda
- 11. Date of Next Meeting

Report to the parish council 6/10/24 Cllr Jill Haynes Chalk Valleys ward

Dear Clerks, Councillors and members of the public,

I thought this time I would give you an update on some of the processes that we are involved with as Dorset Councillors. Dorset is a member led council but in order to give this lead there are many policies and strategies that have to be agreed so that officers know the way forward. It is a rather slow and process driven way of operating but does give clarity not just to staff but other organisations and indeed central government as to the way we intend to run the council. Some of the strategies are mandatory requirements of central government and have to be reviewed annually.

At the start of the new term of a council there are often changes in direction and priorities and then a larger number of these documents need to be reviewed. This happens through the two Overview Committees. There are two cross party committees, chaired by the party in power, one covering People and Health and the other Place and Resources. These committees give the steer to Cabinet on new policies and their recommendations are then ratified and or amended at the next Cabinet meeting.

So far the following papers have been reviewed, debated and agreed:

The Extra Care Housing Strategy – Looking to supply supported living to both elderly people and those needing additional support.

The Youth Justice Plan

The Growth and Economic Regeneration Strategy – this is a vital follow on after the government has withdrawn funding from the Local Economic Partnership (LEP)

Review of Dorset Council Waste Strategy

Strategic Asset Management Plan – a key enabler to the council plan and it is how we manage the councils wide and diverse property estate.

Pan Dorset Safeguarding Children's partnership Annual report

Dorset Community Safety Plan and the Pan Dorset reoffending planning document

The Equality Diversity and Inclusion Strategy

Aspire Adoption Service Annual Report

There is a forward plan for both committees about which policies/strategies are coming to future meetings and this is continuously being updated. There are often working groups of the two Overview Committees working on items on the forward plans.

Going forward the two Scrutiny Committees (People and Health as well as Place and Resource) have the job of reviewing the effectiveness of the policies and ensuring that they are giving good value for money and successful outcomes for the people of Dorset. These committees are chaired by the opposition but are again cross party.

As well as being a member of at least one of these committees most members are also on either a Planning committee or Licensing, as well as a number of sub committees. The committees all require a considerable amount of background reading of papers to understand the full picture under discussion. There are also regular on line webinars on a wide variety of topics to ensure councillors are well informed when they make decisions.

When reading this back this all sounds very dry but the truth is that it is mostly both interesting and important to support our communities by making informed choices.

Payments Requested - October 2024

Date	Payee	Comments	Folio	Precept
				£
21.10.24	A Crocker	October salary	BACS045	185.37
21.10.24	HMRC	October PAYE	BACS046	40.40
21.10.24	Dewlish Village Hall	D-Day contribution	BACS047	383.73
		Total amount requested		609.50

Item 7 (b)

Dewlish Parish Council	
Reconciliation of Account	s

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Balance b/fwd		From 31.03.24			20355.27		
	Add:	Income year to date			6261.79		
	Less:	Expenditure to date			4175.97		
Balance a	s at 21.10.24				22441.09		
Funded by	y:						
	Deposit account	00260298		3388.11			
	Current account	01230392		19662.48			
					23050.59		
Add:	Uncleared Income						
					0.00		
21.10.24	A Crocker	October salary	BACS045	185.37			
21.10.24	HMRC	October PAYE	BACS046	40.40			
	Dewlish Village						
21.10.24	Hall	Contribution re Dday	BACS047	383.73			
					609.50		
Balance as at 21.10.24					22441.09		
			Difference		0.00		

Description		2024/25 Budget	Actual	Balance		
Receipts		_				
Account Interest		75.00	136.79	61.79		
Precept		6,125.00	6,125.00	0.00		
CIL receipts			0.00	0.00		
Misc income			0.00	0.00		
VAT refunded			0.00	0.00		
Total receipts		6,200.00	6,261.79	61.79	0.00	
<u>Payments</u>			T	1		
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	1,417.50	1,377.50		
Clerk Expenses - mileage		50.00	47.79	2.21		
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			170.59	(170.59)		
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	383.73	116.27		
Bridge upgrade			570.00	(570.00)		
Asset maintenance		700.00	394.83	305.17		
VAT			80.53	(80.53)		
Total payments	0.00	6,120.00	4,175.97	1,944.03	0.00	
Balance b/fwd from 31.03.24	20,355.27			Monies held in ba	ınk	23,050.59
Income to date	6261.79	26,617.06				
Earmarked Reserves				Add:		
Election costs	450.00			Income not cleare	ed	
Training	115.00			Less:		
Venue hire	400.00					
Grass cutting	500.00					
Audit fee	74.00			Character and all a		(600 50)
Telephone box maintenance	200.00			Cheques not clear	rea	(609.50)
Upgrade of The Green	4,430.00					
CIL receipts	2,390.01			Earmarked		
General asset maintenance	1,363.51	9,922.52		funds		(9,922.52)
Expenses for current year to						
date	4,175.97					
		4,175.97	-			
Balance available not yet comm	nitted	12,518.57	=	General Reserve		12,518.57