

MINUTES OF THE DEWLISH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2023
AT DEWLISH VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs A Fisher, J Booth, A Barnett and W Britton

Chair: Cllr C Uden

Clerk: Mrs A Crocker

Also present: 16 members of the public and Dorset Cllr Jill Haynes

A presentation was given by Ian Colley and Chris Tattersall of Wessex Water explaining the effects of water abstraction from the Devil's Brook. A copy of the presentation is available on the Parish Council website.

Public Participation

Pound Lane BOAT – a meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 7th March for all residents.

Village News – A question was raised as to why Dewlish were not submitting entries each month. The Clerk confirmed that a report is sent in each month. However, as the Parish Council do not meet in December, no report would have been sent for that month and it may be that this is what has caused the confusion. The Chair will follow this up.

20mph initiative – Mr Church reported that he had been looking into the Dorset Council proposal. He confirmed that there was now no longer a need for a public consultation to prove the support of the residents. However, there may be a cost of approximately £10,000 involved which would have to be covered by the Parish Council. Cllr Haynes reported that it was not possible to reduce a speed limit from 60mph to 20mph. It would be necessary to get the existing limit reduced to 30mph before looking at any further reduction. The Parish Council had undertaken traffic surveys in January in order to begin the process of gathering evidence. However, despite chasing, the results have still not been received from Dorset Highways.

1. To receive apologies for absence

22.157 Apologies had been received from Cllr Mike Fell.

Cllr Uden reported that Cllr Barbara Ross had stepped down from the Parish Council. Our thanks are extended to her for all her help during her time on the Council and we wish her well for the future. The Parish Council will now be looking to fill the vacancy by co-option at the March meeting.

2. Declaration of pecuniary and other interests

22.158 No interests were declared.

3 Minutes of previous meeting dated 23rd January 2023

22.159 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Barnett proposed them to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Fisher and agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes in the presence of the meeting.

4. Matters arising – for report only

22.160 Grit bins – Cllr Barnett had produced a map showing five proposed locations for the new bins. The map can be found as Appendix A to these minutes.

Cllr Fisher proposed positions two and five are used. This was seconded by Cllr Booth and agreed unanimously. The Clerk will agree the sites with Highways before purchasing the bins.

ACTION: CLERK

5. To receive the Dorset Councillor's report

22.161 Cllr Haynes' report continues to be received and issued each month. There will be a full meeting of the Dorset Council on the 28th February with the main topic being the question of charging double council tax on second homes. The Levelling Up Bill is likely to give local councils the ability to do this. However, if it does become law, those home owners affected will be give a year's notice before the charge can be put in place. There would then be a further year whilst all the necessary information was gathered and the charges issued. By agreeing the action now, it will mean everything will be in place should the Bill be confirmed. The additional charge will not apply to homes rented out as holiday lets.

6. To receive reports on the following matters and to agree actions

22.162 Planning

P/HOU/2023/00429 Guinea Cottage, Pound Lane
Erect rear extension

It was noted that the proposal covers an area of approximately 26.4sqm with a pitch roof and is to the rear of the site. It cannot be seen by any of the neighbours and the materials are in keeping with the surroundings. Cllr Uden proposed the application is supported. This was seconded by Cllr Barnett and agreed unanimously.

ACTION: CLERK

22.163 Police, Traffic and Roads

A copy of the Police report had been issued to all members with the agenda and is available as Appendix B to these minutes.

Residents are reminded that all crimes should be logged, with as much information as possible, on the Police website at www.dorset.police.uk/contact.

22.164 Parish Amenities and Rights of Way

- (a) To receive an update on the Shailes culvert work – A 140m strip has been completely retarmacked and the level of the road raised in one section. This has resulted in a fairly steep drop on the south side along this section. Several residents have reported suffering punctures as a result of the original potholes prior to the work being undertaken. When reporting this to Dorset Council, they have simply been thanked for reporting the potholes and no recompense has been offered for the damage to their vehicles. Cllr Haynes offered to speak to Simon Gibson, Lead Member for Highways, and see if he would be available to attend the site and offer advice on how to move forward with any such claims. In addition, Cllr Uden has written to Highways to ask them to resolve the potential problem regarding the south side of the road where the increase in level may result in further issues. To date, no response has been received.
- (b) The Green update – The tree work has now been carried out. Cllr Uden will be meeting a specialist play advisor on site on the 7th March and will report back to the March meeting.
- (c) Pound Lane – A meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and will be open to all residents.
- (d) Volunteer Working Party – Cllr Barnett reported that the high viz jackets have yet to arrive. A list of jobs will be drawn up.

22.165 Parish Surgeries

Cllr Uden and Cllr Fell attend the café on the third Saturday of each month. This is proving very popular and will continue.

7. Finance

22.166 To agree the payment of accounts and note any income received

The following payments had been requested:

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| Community Heartbeat | Annual support cost Year 7 | BACS018 | 151.20 |
| C Uden | Replacement Christmas lights | BACS019 | 79.95 |
| A Crocker | Feb 23 wages + expenses | BACS020 | 111.18 |
| M Fell | Paint for flagpole | BACS021 | 19.99 |
| HMRC | PAYE February 2023 | BACS022 | 25.00 |
| T H Moore | Tree work on Green | BACS023 | 570.00 |
| Cheap Printing | Bench plaque | BACS024 | 30.00 |

A total of £987.32 payable from the Precept.

Cllr Booth proposed the payments are made. This was seconded by Cllr Barnett.

The only income received during the period was 48pence in bank interest and the Clerk reported that £9,000 had been transferred from the current account to the business account in order to maximise interest receivable.

22.167 To confirm the reconciliation of accounts and position against budget

A copy of both reports had been issued with the agenda.

Cllr Fisher proposed the reports are accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Booth and agreed unanimously.

It was noted that the General Reserve currently stands at £9,870.93. Cllr Uden proposed that £5,000 is moved to Ear Marked Reserves for the upgrade of The Green. This was seconded by Cllr Fisher and agreed unanimously.

8. To review the results of the traffic surveys

22.168 The results were still unavailable. This item will be moved to the March meeting.

9. Parish Councillors reports on items not covered by the agenda

22.169 Nothing to report.

10. Agenda items for the February meeting

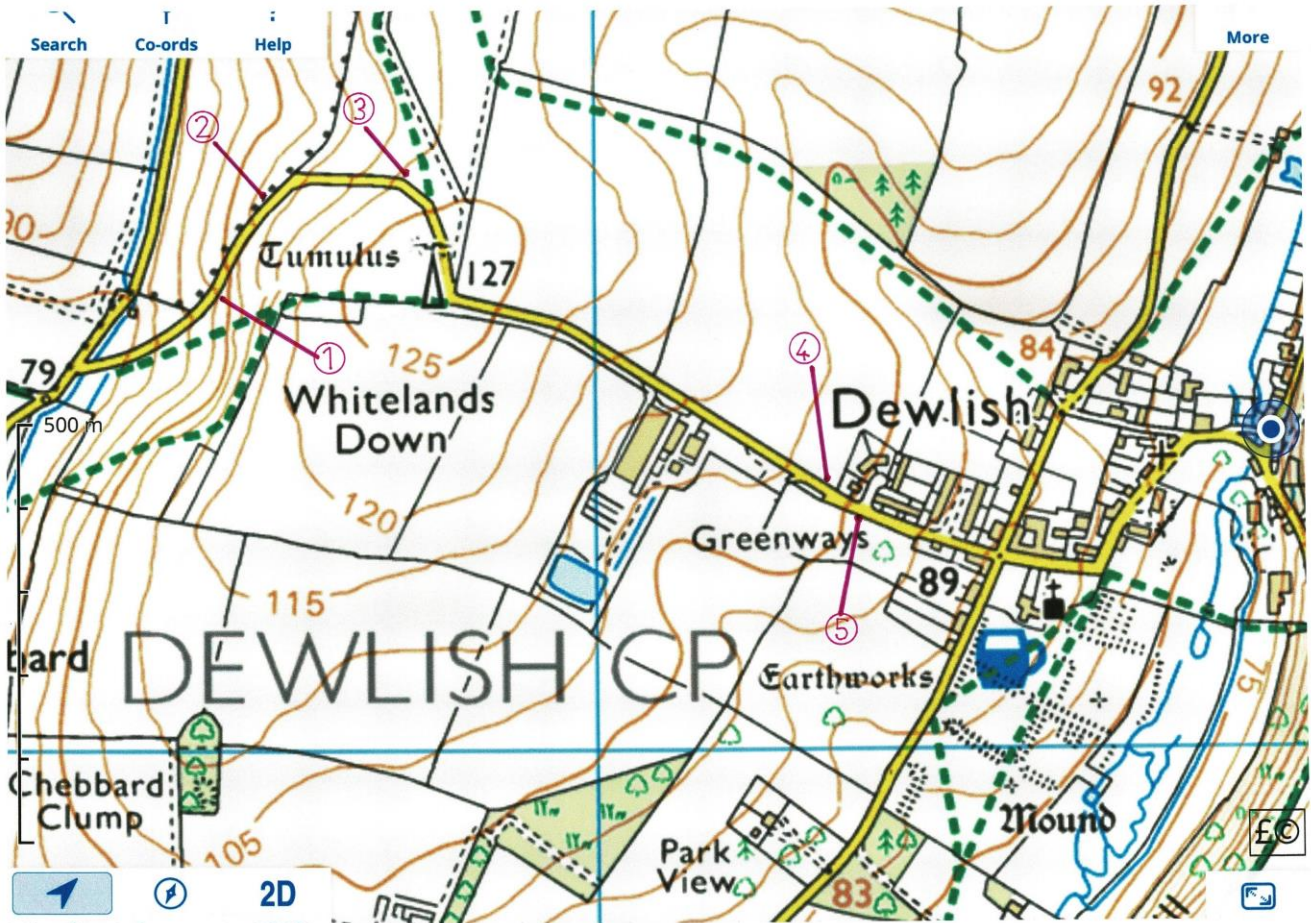
- 22.170 - Co-opt new councillor
- Traffic survey results
- Chebbard flooding
- Pound Lane meeting

15. Date of next meeting

22.171 Monday 27th March 2023, commencing 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:10hrs

Appendix A



Signed:

Appendix B

Dorchester Rural East Neighbourhood Policing Team Crime Report January 2023

Dear Councillors,

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

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

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

Dorchester NPT website address is: www.dorset.police.uk/neighbourhood-policing/dorchester

Our Face Book Page address is: 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: www.dorset.police.uk/do-it-online/

Email: 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk

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

Message an officer: www.dorset.police.uk/do-it-online/message-an-officer/

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

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Broadmayne Parish Council:

06/01/2023 Theft of Speed Indicator Device

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

NO REPORTS MADE

DFCB

Crossways Parish Council:

04/01/2023 Break to Vehicle – no damage to vehicle – no items stolen

04/01/2023 Theft from Motor Vehicle

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- 07/01/2023 Large amount of Parcels dumped in field off a farm track – parcel delivery firm investigating internally
- 11/01/2023 3rd Party report of possible break to motor vehicle – no contact from victim
- 14/01/2023 Nuisance youths at Warmwell Holiday Park – criminal damage to one of the units
- 15/01/2023 Thefts of Ramps on Industrial Estate – lines of enquiry available
- 17/02/2023 Report of intruder on solar farm – All In order - call made in good faith

Osmington Parish Council:

- 03/01/2023 ASB from male on Osmington coastal path – possibly sleeping in the area (homeless)
- 09/01/2023 Concern for safety of male walking (closed) coastal path – likely to be sleeping in the area (homeless)

Owermoigne Parish Council:

- 18/01/2023 Theft of Trailer

DFCC

Cheselbourne Parish Council:

NO REPORTS MADE

Dewlish Parish Council:

- 02/01/2023 Possible attempted Catalytic Convertor theft
- 19/01/2023 Report of break to tractor GPS £100 stolen

Puddletown/Tolpuddle/Athelhampton/Burleston Parish Council:

- 06/01/2023 Puddletown
Road Obstruction – vehicle parked in Coombe Road – police traced owner to move
- 18/01/2023 Troytown – theft of hedge plants, spirals, canes and damage to other plants

DFCD

Buckland Newton Parish Council:

NO REPORTS MADE

Melcombe Bingham Parish Council:

NO REPORTS MADE

Piddle Valley Parish Council:

NO REPORTS MADE

NOTE FOR ALL PARISH COUNCILS

Neighbourhood Community Contact

I have received names for the neighbourhood community contact but I still require details from the following parish councils:

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Signed:

Knightsford

The following information is required:

First Name:

Surname:

Job Role: i.e., Councillor

Full Home Address:

Email address:

Landline:

Mobile:

Regards

PCSO 6500 Alison Donnison

Dorchester East Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team

Signed: