

DUNSTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT DUNSTER TITHE BARN ON
13th February 2023 7.00pm

Attendees

Councillors: Geoff Dibble (Chair), Tessa Williams, James Morley, Alan Vicary, Carol Ell, Tony Melnyk, Chris Oliver and Peter Finney

Clerk: Mrs Sarah Towells

Other: Steve Griffiths (SWaT) and Marcus Kravis (SWaT and SCC)

Apologies

Councillors: Jackie Meakes & Kevin Sully

Other: Christine Lawrence (SCC)

22/331 To note apologies for absence: As noted above.

22/332 Any New Declarations of interest and dispensations: There were none.

22/333 Minutes of the Meeting held on 09th January 2023 for approval: It was resolved to approve the minutes.

22/334 County Councillor Report: Cllr Kravis reported that the boundaries for LCN's had been agreed. £2.9 million would be saved on senior management costs. Evening buses are back running again.

22/335 District Councillor Report: Cllr Griffiths gave his penultimate report saying that committee meetings were continuing and the final council meeting would be on 28th March. He reported that he had passed on the EV charge points to a senior County Councillor that would take this forward.

22/336 Accounts

22/336.1 Approval of expenditure: It was resolved to pay the payments on the attached list.

22/336.2 Current account expenditure analysis for December 2022 and January 2023: It was resolved to note the figures and these were signed by Cllr Finney.

22/336.3 Bank reconciliation for December 2022 and January 2023: It was resolved to note the reconciliations which were signed by Cllr Finney.

22/336.4 Buttercross Orchard balance: The Clerk had received updated figures.

22/336.5 Budget Monitoring: It was resolved to note the figures and these were signed by Cllr Finney.

22/336.6 PAYE figures for January 2023: These were checked and signed by Cllr Dibble.

22/336.7 Water2business changeover: It was resolved this should happen in March.

22/337 Planning:

ENP	6/10/23/003	1, PARK STREET, DUNSTER, MINEHEAD, TA24 6SR	Proposed creation of flat roof dormer and pent dormer, other alterations to roof including installation of roof lights and sun tunnel, removal of chimneys, installation of air source heat pump, alterations to windows and doors and associated works.	It was resolved no objections
ENP	6/10/23/001	Dunster Allotments, Dunster, Minehead, TA24 6RT	Proposed change of use from Agricultural land to use as Cemetery together with replacement of hedgerow and creation of new gateway.	This is our application so fully support

ENP	6/10/23/006 and 6/10/23/007LB	21, HIGH STREET, DUNSTER, MINEHEAD, TA24 6SF	Proposed erection of garage and alterations to boundary wall together with the removal of a tree to the west of the site.	It was resolved no objections
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22/338 Toilets: It was resolved to accept the tender from Claires Cleaning at accost of £600 per month. The contract would start from 1st April. It was further resolved to re-open the toilets fully, following the amount of complaints received by both the Clerk and Cllr Finney.

22/339 Cemetery:

22/339.1 Potholes: It was resolved to note that Cllr Sully had asked Lynch's to conduct the repairs to prevent damage to vehicles. Lynch's had come back with an estimate of approximately £1000.00. It was resolved to accept the estimate.

22/340 Allotments: There was nothing to report.

22/341 Correspondence: The Clerk had received a letter in the post from Patricia Muirhead. It was resolved to respond to say thank you for letting us know about the situation but as she stated in her letter there is nothing the Parish Council can do.

22/342 Dunster Recovery Group: The remaining money must be spent by 31st March 2023. £600 would be spent on bunting for the village and a water dispenser outside the toilet block at a cost of £1200.00. Discussions took place about a defibrillator outside the Village Hall.

22/343 Dunster Working Group: There was no report.

22/344 Highways:

22/344.1 Sea Lane Flooding: Cllr Finney sent photos to the Clerk and they were then submitted via the website. A response had been received to say they would clear the blockage.

22/344.2 Old A39- Gate and post and rail fence: There was no update.

22/344.3 Drainage on High Street: There was no update.

22/344.4 Marsh Lane Street Sign and The Ball Street Sign: There was no update.

22/344.5 Church Lynch Gate – Parking Bays: There was no update.

22/344.6 Bridge at Knowle Lane: There was no update.

22/344.7 Blocked drains on West Street: There was no update.

22/344.8 Yellow box on West Street Requires painting: There was no update.

22/344.9 Blocked Gully opposite 19 St Georges Street: There was no update.

22/344.10 Trees at Dunster Steep need cutting back: There was no update.

22/345 Leaking Leat: It was resolved to note Nick Kelly had instructed the work to be done.

22/346 Bus Partnership: It was resolved to note that Bus users can now travel on evening buses.

22/347 Additional Defibrillators: It was resolved to note that one could be placed on the Village Hall and could be purchased from The Recovery Fund grant. Cllr Ell gave the Clerk a form to apply for some funding towards a defibrillator.

22/348 Defib Training: March 11th at 2.30pm in the Tithe Barn. This would be a free event by the South Western Ambulance Service.

22/349 Steps at top of West Close: It was resolved to note that Cllr Sully had asked Lynch's to cut off the raised bit of concrete, which was a trip hazzard.

22/350 Dunster Parking Review: There was no update.

22/351 Marsh Bridge – Riverbank Overgrown: There was no update.

22/352 Riverbank need clearing by the Mill: There was no update.

22/353 Trees on the school hanging over St Georges Street: It was resolved to note this had been done.

22/354 Village Hanging Baskets: Cllr Vicary reported that Bristol City Council would be dealing with us direct and not going through Minehead Town Council as previously thought.

22/355 Risk Register- any updates: It was resolved to note there were no updates.

22/356 Broken Gate into Conygar: It was resolved to note the Clerk had reported this.

22/357 Date for Parish Assembly: It was resolved to have the assembly on April 24th in The Tithe Barn.

22/358 Items to Report and matters for the next meeting to be held on 13th March 2023:

Conduit lane gate post broken as you come down into Grabbist.

Men Shed is opening in Minehead

Gentleman fell outside Cobblestones as there were no handrails

Date for April meeting – 11th April

Meeting closed 8.35 p.m.

Signed Date.....