# DUNSTER PARISH COUNCIL <br> MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD At DUNSTER MEMORIAL HALL ON $14^{\text {th }}$ August 2023 7.20pm 

## Attendees

Councillors: Geoff Dibble (Chair), Kevin Sully, James Morley, Peter Finney, Tony Melnyk, Jackie Meakes and Alan Vicary
Clerk: Mrs Sarah Towells
Other: None
Apologies
Councillors: Carol Ell, Tessa Williams \& Chris Oliver
Other: Marcus Kravis (SC)
23/78 To note apologies for absence: As noted above.
23/79 Any New Declarations of interest and dispensations: There were none.
23/80 Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday $10^{\text {th }}$ July 2023 for approval: It was resolved to approve the minutes.

23/81 Somerset Councillor Report: It was resolved to note the report Cllr Kravis emailed, although nothing in the report related to Dunster.

## 23/82 Accounts

23/82.1 Approval of expenditure: It was resolved to pay the payments on the attached list.
23/82.2 Current account expenditure analysis for June and July 2023: It was resolved to note the figures. These were signed by Cllr Finney.
23/83.3 Bank reconciliation for June and July 2023: It was resolved to note the reconciliation's which were signed by Cllr Finney.
23/82.4 Buttercross Orchard balance: The Clerk reported she had received up to date statements.
23/82.5 Budget Monitoring: It was resolved to note the budget monitoring which were signed by Cllr Finney.
23/82.6 PAYE figures for July 2023: These were checked and signed by Cllr Meakes. It was resolved to note that $£ 10.20$ was to be paid to HMRC.
23/81.8 Online banking and debit card - update: The Clerk reported she had received the debit card and pin number but was still waiting for clarification regarding the internet banking.

23/83 Planning:

| SC | $3 / 37 / 23 / 022$ | Former Wansbrough <br> Paper Mill <br> Watchet <br> TA23 OAY | Temporary storage of soil in 4 areas | It was <br> resolved <br> NO <br> OBJECTIONS |
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23/84 Toilets: The Clerk reported the loo seat had been replaced in the disabled toilet as it had been broken. Door pads had been fitted to the gents' door to reduce the banging.

23/85 Cemetery: No update
23/86 Allotments: All invoices except 3 have been paid. Further reminders and statements will be sent this week.

23/87 Retail unit: A letter had been received asking for rent payments to be reduced from $£ 350.00$ per month to $£ 280.00$ per month. It was resolved not to reduce the rent and keep it at $£ 350.00$ per month due to the increase in electricity charges but to reduce the covid rent holiday repayment back to $£ 10$ per month.

23/88 Buttercross Orchard: The Clerk had submitted details to update signatories.
23/89 Riverside Walk: The fence had been pulled out the ground by the waterfall. It was resolved to write to the rights of way team to ask if it could be put back.

23/90 Correspondence: It was resolved the Clerk would to respond to the dog consultation.
23/91 Risk Register: It was resolved to note there were no updates.
23/92 Highways: It was reported that work had started on the bridge repairs. It was resolved to chase Highways about installing the bollards on the old A39.

23/93 Bus shelters: The Clerk had contacted 4 builders for quotes to repair the shelter but 2 had come back stating it was beyond repair and should be replaced. It was resolved to contact them again asking for quotes to replace the bus shelter with corrugated felt roofing, rather than tiles.

23/94 Additional Defibrillators: There was no update.
23/95 Dunster Parking Review: There was no update.
23/96 Report from LCN Meeting: It was resolved to note the report Cllr Melnyk circulated.
23/97 Items to Report and matters for the next meeting to be held on Monday $11^{\text {th }}$ September 2023:
Toilet sponsorship from business's
Surface in the underpass is very slippery when wet
Graffiti in the underpass
Meeting closed 8.20 p.m.

Signed
Date

