

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 12th November 2024

Diptford Village Hall

MINUTES

Present Cllrs, Franklin (Chair) (SF), Parker-Davidson (Vice Chair) (STD), Lethbridge (LL), Peach (CP), Hill (SH), Crocker (TC), Pannell (GP) (SHDC) and Ali Kohler (Clerk)

One member of the public attended.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2024 150 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Carrol (LC), Hancock (DH) (SHDC), and Thomas (DT) (DCC)

Matters arising.

County Councillors Report.

See appendix 1 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>.

South Hams District Councillors Report

See appendix 2 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>.

Open Forum

2024 151 There were no declarations of interest.

2024 152 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 8th October 2024, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

2024 153 Diptford Playing Field

a) To receive the financial statement for Diptford Amenity Trust
Current Account: £1,961.93 Savings Account: £1,184.54

Receipts

Interest received - £0.97

Payments

Community First Insurance - £259.07

K Jane – invoice 2009 - £85.00

Transfers In

none

Transfers Out

None

b) Fund Raising/Grants – A generous benefactor is to do donate £15,000 to the Amenity Trust for the refurbishment of the playing field. Easy fundraising is going well, and we are now up to 17 households and raising monies regularly.

c) Tree Surveys – P Thomas has been instructed to complete a tree survey.

2024 154 Highways and Community Lengthsman

- a) **Lengthsman** – No additional works noted
- b) **Highways** – There was a meeting regarding the unclassified road through Broadleigh. Work has started on the drainage ditch.
Cllr Peach to contact Cllr Pannell to request the road sweeper for the muddy parts of roads in the parish which are a danger concern

2024 155 Planning

- a) Planning applications considered:
 - 1. Reference: 2990/24/HHO – Householder application for erection of enlarged conservatory to replace existing conservatory. Site address: Broadmead, Diptford, TQ9 7LX. **Comment: Support**
 - 2. Reference: 2989/24/LBC – Listed Building Consent application for the erection of an enlarged conservatory to replace existing conservatory. Site address: Broadmead, Diptford, TQ9 7LX. **Comment: Support.**
 - 3. Reference: 2869/24/HHO – Householder application for single story extension with oak framed veranda. Site address: Boreston Foot Cottage, Hallwell, TQ9 7LD. **Comment: no objections but it was noted that this property has been considerably extended in the past.**
 - 4. Reference: 3428/24/CLE – Certificate of Lawfulness for Existing Use. Site Address: The Cider Press, West Moore Farm, Diptford, TQ9 7PE. Description: Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of a holiday cottage as a permanent residential dwelling house. **Comment: no objection due to having no proof that the property has been used as a holiday let.**
 - 5. Reference: 3448/24/CLE – Certificate of Lawfulness for Existing Use. Site Address: The Byre, West Moor Farm, Diptford, TQ9 7PE, Description: Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of a holiday cottage as a permanent residential dwelling house. **Comment: no objection due to having no proof that the property has been used as a holiday let.**
 - 6. Reference: 3447/24/CLE - Certificate of Lawfulness for Existing Use. Site Address: The Mill Stone, West Moore Farm, Diptford, TQ9 7PE. Description: Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of a holiday cottage as a permanent residential dwelling house. **Comment: no objection due to having no proof that the property has been used as a holiday let.**
- b) Planning applications to note/decisions:
 - 1. Reference: 1225/24FUL – Full Planning Application. Site Address: Woodside Cottage, Etheridge, Diptford, TQ9 7NQ. Description: Deconstruction of existing agricultural barn and construction of 2 no dwellings following Class Q approval under approval 1343/23/PDM. **Decision: Conditional Approval. Decision Date 10th October 2024.**
 - 2. Reference: 2715/24/HHO – Householder Application. Site Address: Bradridge House, Diptford TQ9 7PD. Description: Householder Application for the creation of an enclosed porch and replacement doors and windows on the southwest courtyard. Replacement porch canopy over the main rear entrance on the northwest courtyard. Minor internal works on the ground floor of the northern wing. **Decision: Conditional Approval 29th October 2024.**
 - 3. Reference: 2714/24/LBC – Listed Building Consent. Site Address: Bradridge House, Diptford, TQ9 7PD. Description: Listed building consent for creation of an enclosed porch and replacement doors and windows on the southwest courtyard.

Replacement porch canopy over the main rear entrance on the northwest courtyard.
 Minor internal works on the ground floor of the northern wing. **Decision: Conditional Approval. Decision date: 29th October 2024.**

c) Planning Applications Withdrawn

1. Reference: 2726/24/NMM – Non-Material Minor Amendment – Site Address: Barn Adjacent Robins Nest, Diptford. Description: Non-material amendment to planning consent 2304/23/VAR to change main house roof pitch from 25 to 30 degrees (the roof over the garage is already 30 degrees and is not requested to be changed). **Decision: Withdrawn. Decision Date 29th October 2024.**

Cllr Pannell left the meeting

2024 156 Finance

1. The following payments were approved:

Payments

- A Kohler – Clerks Office - £16.00
- A Kohler – Mileage/Parking - £9.00
- A Kohler – Stationary - £4.00
- J & JM Widdicombe – November 24 payment - £150.00
- HMRC – Clerk PAYE - £114.14
- A Kohler – Salary October 2024 – 556.80

Receipts

- Interest received - £8.60
- Precept payment 2 - £10,091.50

Transfers In from Reserves

£150.00 for lengthsman November 24 payment (now paid by monthly standing order)

2. The Financial Statement was received:

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| Current Account 6 th November 2024 | £10,822.97 |
| MINUS Unpresented: Clerk's expenses | £29.00 |
| PLUS, Uncleared receipts | £0.00 |
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| Current Account | £10,793.97 |
| Savings Accounts | £10,212.74 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | £21,006.71 |

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| £344.00 | P3 - Footpath maintenance |
| £1,000.00 | Winter Emergency Planning |
| £3,876.60 | Community lengthsman project |
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| £600.13 | Amenity trust |
| £4,392.01 | Contingency |
| £10,212.74 | Total |

Total uncommitted funds £10,793.97

2024 157 Glebe Land

Meeting has been held with Savilles with Cllrs Hill and Parker-Davidson. Parish Council is now waiting for Savilles to come back to the Parish Council.

2024 158 Graveyard

Three hundred graves have been mapped and hopefully the mapping will be completed by the end of December.

2024 159 Correspondence

none

2024 160 P3 Parish Paths

Cllr Parker Davidson to feedback what works are required for Footpath 1.

2024 161 Defibrillator Training

This was held on the 7th November in the Village Hall. It was a great success and 20 people attended the training. Clerk to pass on thanks to the Air Ambulance personnel for providing the training.

Clerk to check that the defibrillators in the parish are clearly identified on the defibrillator map for Devon.

Residents in the Garabridge area have expressed an interest to have a defibrillator located in the area. Clerk to investigate costs and funding.

2024 162 Council Email Addresses

A reminder of the direct email addresses if anyone wishes to contact the parish councillors.

Cllr Sue Franklin (Chair) – sue.franklin@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr Steven Parker Davidson (vice Chair) –

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Cllr Steve Hill – steve.hill@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr Trevor Crocker – trevor.crocker@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr Louise Lethbridge – louise.lethbridge@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr Chris Peach – chris.peach@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr Lucy Carrol – lucy.carrol@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Ali Kohler (Clerk) – clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org

2024 163 Councillor Vacancy

Gavin Paterson has expressed an interest in filling the parish councillor vacancy. He introduced himself to the parish council. It was agreed that he was a suitable candidate for the position of parish councillor. The proposal was first put by Cllr Crocker and seconded by Cllr Peach. All other councillors were in favour. The parish council welcomed Cllr Paterson to the parish council.

2024 164 Any Other Business

1. A grant of £100 was agreed by the parish council for the CAB,
2. Cllr Crocker to source the village Xmas Tree.
3. Broadband – issues have been brought to the attention of the parish council that the roll out of Broadband by Airband to the parish, will not now go ahead, due to the

changes in funding of the project. This will be raised in detail at the next parish council meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next Meeting:

10th December 24 at 7pm

14th January 25 at 7pm