

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF
DUMMER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 10th July 2023 AT 7.00 PM**

DUMMER PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

	In Attendance	Apologies	Absent
Cllr Julian Jones (Chairman)	✓		
Cllr Dr Manuela Gazzard	✓		
Cllr Mrs Sheila Harden	✓		
Cllr Derrick Penny	✓		
Cllr Mrs Liz Nelson	✓		

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Karen Ross- Clerk, Borough Councillor Diane Taylor and 2 Members of the public.

- 230701 To receive and accept apologies for absence.**
RECEIVED apologies for absence from Borough Councillor Hannah Golding and County Councillor Juliet Henderson.
- 230702 To receive and note any declarations of pecuniary interest relevant to the agenda.**
No declarations of pecuniary interest relevant to the agenda RECEIVED.
- 230703 The approve as a correct record the minutes of the Dummer Parish Council meeting held on 12th June 2023.**
APPROVED as a correct record the minutes of the Dummer Parish Council meeting held on 12th June 2023.
- 230704 To open the meeting to members of the public.**
A member of the Village Hall Committee asked when the legal agreement submitted to the Parish Council will be signed. The chairman explained that the Parish Council needs to seek legal advice before signing a legal agreement.
A resident also asked:
- If there has been any further development of the Traveller pitch on Housome Fields. Any further action would be dependent on an Appeal by the Applicant or a subsequent planning application.
 - If there was any development on correspondence submitted to the Forestry Commission regarding Tree felling on Dummer Down Lane. The Forestry Commission has not replied to the parish council submission regarding the licence conditions.
- 230705 To receive reports**
County Councillor Henderson
Her report can be found as Appendix A

Borough Councillor Taylor

She reported that:

- The cost-of-living grant has been reopened.
- Community Infrastructure fund has reopened.
- There is a competition to reduce a community's carbon footprint.
- There is a visit with HCC to the school site visit on the Hounsome Fields
- She is keen to build Community as there will be more housing coming in the area.
- The Parliamentary constituencies for the next election will divide the Oakley and Candovers ward at the M3. Dummer Village will be part of the East Hampshire constituency (Damian Hinds) Hounsome Fields, Longacre, The Fairways and the old Basingstoke Golf Course will be in the Basingstoke constituency (Maria Miller).

Chairman Julian Jones

He reported:

- Maria Miller held a meeting on the new Hospital proposals.
- There is a meeting with Bloor to receive an update.
- Complaints have been received over the Tower Hill footpath.
- The Queen has flooded again due to the drainage issues.
- Speeding is an issue again now Tower Hill has been opened.
- People have been seen climbing over the fence at the bottom of Blue Hut way to gain access from the Golf Course site.

230706 To note the current financial situation and the reconciliation of the bank balance

NOTED the current financial situation and the reconciliation of the bank balance. This can be found as Appendix B.

230707 To approve requests for Payments for July

APPROVED requests for Payments for July as listed in the table below.

FROM	ITEM	AMOUNT	INVOICE NO	PAY METHOD
Staff	Salary	£321.70	July	Electronic
Stuart Canvas	Cricket Covers	£5,099.98	31549	Electronic
HMRC	Tax	£80.40	July	Electronic
Karen Ross	Expenses	£310.98		Electronic
Vic Lee	Maintenance	£565.00	2112	Electronic
Total		£6,378.06		

230708 To consider Grant request from Victim Support for £50

NOT APPROVED Grant request from Victim Support for £50.

230709 To approve the CIL Policy and application form

APPROVED the CIL Policy and application form.

- 230710** To consider the following planning applications
- 230710.01** **23/01482/HSE**
1 Tower Hill Cottages Up Street
Removal of external chimney, alterations to rear and side windows, addition of front porch and replacement garage to rear (alternative scheme to design granted under 22/00726/HSE)
The Parish Council has no objection to this application.
- 230711** To agree the date of the next meeting as 11th September 2023
AGREED as 11th September 2023

There being no other business the meeting finished at 7.56pm

Appendix A

July 2023 Hampshire County Councillor Update

Highways Information

Additional Highway Funding

HCC are planning to commit a further £22.5million to support the road repair programme in Hampshire over the next three years.

That will be an injection of £7.5million in each of the 23/24, 24/25 and 25/26 financial years to increase the speed and scope of our road repair schedule.

As part of these new proposals, we have asked the County Council's contractors to relook at how we programme repairs so that when a single repair is made, smaller ones nearby are also filled at the same time. Currently, repair gangs are being asked to focus on the defects that pose the biggest risk, but under our new approach we want to empower and equip teams to fill more potholes in a single visit and help deliver stronger roads today.

The County Council currently spends around £13.5 million on reactive pothole and road defect repairs each year. Under the new proposal, funding would increase by £7.5 million starting in this financial year and across 24/25 and 25/26.

Excluding one-off grants from the Department for Transport and other temporary budget adjustments, this will mean a core annual budget specifically for reactive highway repairs of around £21m through to spring 2026.

The proposal is due to be agreed by Hampshire's Cabinet later this month.

Cancellation of Scheduled Work

If you wonder why sometimes work is advertised, (either in the lists for the week ahead on a Sunday, or using the yellow signs on the roadside), but doesn't then happen. The examples below explain one of the reasons why.

The teams carrying our road repairs are those who also respond to emergencies. So, sometimes, as in the case of the potholes on Romsey Road at Carters Clay for example, they are called away to other emergency jobs and the work has to be re-scheduled.

Reporting Highway Problems

Links to report road issues are here:

Potholes:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes>

Tree/hedge problems:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge>

Flooding/drainage issues:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/flooding>

Pavement problems:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/paving>

Problems with rights of way:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/reportaproblem>

When reporting an issue, you'll be sent an email confirming a reference number for the report. If you would like me to follow this up for you then do, please forward that message to me and I will chase for you.

Hampshire County Council Budget Consultation

Balancing the books is vital for any business or organization. That's no different for Hampshire County Council and it is a challenge that all local councils face. Hampshire is not 'facing bankruptcy' as the press and others have recently suggested. It is important though for the Council to manage its resources appropriately. We must ensure that we both continue to meet our statutory duties to the County's residents, not least those who are most vulnerable, while also ensuring we do so within our budget.

Managing that balance is ever more challenging and, without substantial help from Central Government, it could become impossible to achieve in three years' time. It is therefore important that we continue to look at the services the County Council provides and consider what savings could be made by doing things differently. Therefore, HCC has launched a consultation looking at all of our services. This considers those that we must provide by law, and more importantly those that we provide for which there is no statutory requirement.

It is NOT the case that all these proposals will be implemented. It is vital though that we understand better what is important to you, our residents and how the huge changes we have seen over the last few years, not least as a result of the pandemic, might impact your view of the services the County Council provides.

This consultation will enable us to produce our vision for how the County Council can operate best to help you over the next few years, while also living within our means. Please let us know what you think. You have until July 23rd to have your say. The information pack explaining the consultation in detail is here:

<https://documents.hants.gov.uk/.../2023-Hampshire-Budget...>

You can submit your response here:

<https://hampshireecc.welcomesyourfeedback.net/s/budget23>

Improving Recycling and Reuse at the Household Waste Recycling Centres

From July residents are being asked to separate their waste ahead of a visit to a Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) to reuse and recycle more, and to reduce the amount of material that goes to costly disposal methods such as landfill. By taking a few moments more to sort our waste material, we could save up to £200,000 of taxpayers' money every year. The HWRC teams will be on hand to answer any questions and offer advice. A wide range of waste can be recycled at the HWRCs. In addition, there are re-sale sections at all sites where reusable items can be left.

Most HWRCs in Hampshire will be able to recycle the following materials:

- Garden and green waste
- Metals
- Wood
- Cardboard
- Electrical equipment and appliances
- Batteries, printer cartridges, and light bulbs
- Furniture
- Clothing and textiles
- Paints, chemicals, engine oil and gas bottles.

Check the County Council's website to find out what is accepted at your local [Household Waste Recycling Centre](#).

Residents need to book an appointment to visit a Household Waste Recycling Centre via the County Council's website.

Government appoints Hampshire County Council to take lead role in local nature recovery.

Hampshire County Council has been appointed by our government to prepare a 'Local Nature Recovery Strategy' for Hampshire, including the areas of Portsmouth and Southampton. £388,000 will be provided to coordinate the development of the new strategy in collaboration with key partners. The Strategy will bring together organisations and residents to restore precious habitats, protect wildlife and combat climate change.

Hampshire County Council is one of 48 individual local authorities across England designated as leads for the delivery of Local Nature Recovery Strategies and will work with Southampton and Portsmouth unitary authorities, the region's two national parks and all eleven district and borough councils across Hampshire.

Appendix B

Monthly sheet June 2023			
		Balance Bought Forward	£141,716.03
		Interest	£87.96
			£141,803.99
FPO	Zurich	Insurance	£520.95
FPO	Dick Randell	Playground Inspection	£450.00
FPO	Do the Numbers	Internal Audit	£250.00
FPO	HMRC	Tax	£80.40
FPO	James Dodd	Maintenance	£605.00
FPO	Karen Ross	Salary	£321.70
			£2,228.05
		Balance as at 30th June 2023	£139,575.94
		Current Account Balance	£2,869.11
		Deposit Account Balance	£59,279.75
		Development Control	£6,668.27
		Play Area/Cil	£70,758.81
			£139,575.94

DUMMER PARISH COUNCIL			
SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENT ACCOUNT			
1st QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2023			
Annual Budget	Actual-v-Budget		Figures shown exclusive of VAT
		RECEIPTS	£
15300	59%	Precept (1st instalment)	9,000.00
10	1989%	Bank Interest	198.88
1480	3374%	Other	49,932.01
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	59,130.89
		PAYMENTS	
5,000	38%	Net Salaries & Allowances (Apr-June)	1,914.25
0	0%	HCC - Pension Contributions (e'ers & e'ees)	-
120	0%	Clerk's Expenses Net VAT (Apr-Jun)	-
350	80%	Administration	281.42
50	0%	Chairman's Allowance	-
4000	28%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,118.33
650	80%	Insurance Premium	520.95
500	105%	Grants & Donations	525.00
250	0%	Section 137	-
100	0%	Training	-
300	0%	Hall Hire	-
250	100%	Audit Fees	250.00
650	77%	Subscriptions	503.47
150	0%	Publications (LCR)	-
360	0%	Communications	-
0	0%	Playground Inspection	375.00
500	0%	Miscellaneous	-
0	0%	CIL	3,490.00
0	0%	VAT on payments	983.55
13,230		TOTAL PAYMENTS	9,961.97
		BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD on 01/04/2023	90,407.02
		ADD Total Receipts (as above)	59,130.89
		LESS Total payments (as above)	9,961.97
		Balance Carried forward 30/06/2023	139,575.94
		Current Account Balance	£2,869.11
		Deposit Account Balance	£59,279.75
		Development Control	£6,668.27
		Play Area/Cil	£70,758.81
			£139,575.94
Signed:			
Responsible Finance Officer to Dummer Parish Council			