

DORDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Dordon Parish Council
held on Wednesday, 19th February 2020 at 6.30pm
in the Meeting Room at Dordon Village Hall

Present: P Morson, D Ridley, B Garratt, B Melia, J Winter, S Ridley and D Watts

Also Present: County Councillor A Wright
Borough Councillor J Chambers
J Bradburn (Warwickshire Police)
R Young, Clerk to the Council

Ref.	Details	Action
81)	<u>Apologies</u> Apologies for absence were received from N Chapman and C Morson.	
82)	<u>Declaration of Interest and Prejudicial Interest</u> P Morson declared an interest in all matters relating to planning matters.	
83)	<u>Borough and County Councillors Report</u> a) <u>County Councillor's Report</u> Andy Wright reported the following:- ➤ Safety Scheme running behind. G Stanley not replied to enquiries. ➤ Railings to be installed March – April 2020. Already approved for this year's budget. ➤ Also confirmed only one accident reported on Road Humps. b) <u>Borough Councillor's Report</u> J Chambers reported the following:- ➤ Connemara Close entrance – unadopted road. The developer responsible for the bell mouth entrance. ➤ S Ridley commented that Dordon Hall Lane is getting worse and weight of vehicles is making the road spread. ➤ Drainage into Penmore Brook reviewed. P Morson commented silt needed to be removed from the River Anker.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ J Chambers reported the Petition to have a Weight Limit on Long Street was ongoing. ➤ J Chambers had a commitment from Highways England to have a meeting regarding litter, although no communication from Highways England concerning highway repairs. Highways England responsible for Traffic Management with 23,000 vehicles a day on A5. 	
<p>84)</p>	<p><u>Police Matters</u></p> <p>Jay Bradburn (Warwickshire Police) mentioned the following Policing issues:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To be transferred back to West Midlands Police. ➤ Some issues with Police manning levels. ➤ Gave recent crime statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 ASBO's 2 Burglaries 3 Thefts 11 Road related incidents ➤ Tried to organise monthly joint operation with Highways regarding Long Street but Highways would not agree. ➤ Details given of operation "SNAP". ➤ Keyless car crime increased – Steering locks effective. ➤ D Watts said could a Neighbourhood Watch Meeting be arranged – Saturday, 21st March 2020 at the Parish Hall agreed. ➤ Cold callers on increase – recent incident in Atherstone with £6,000 theft. ➤ Rogue Traders also calling offering to carry out house checks. ➤ Knife Campaign to run during March 2020. ➤ Few issues in Dordon with off road motorbikes. <p>The Chairman thanked J Bradburn for attending the meeting.</p>	
<p>85)</p>	<p><u>Hall Report and Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Transferred to Part II of the meeting. 	

86)	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Parish Council Meeting held on the 15th January 2020</u></p> <p>It was proposed, seconded and agreed to approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15th January 2020.</p> <p>Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15th January 2020.</p>	
87)	<p><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u></p> <p>a) <u>HSBC Signatories</u></p> <p>➤ The Clerk reported that HSBC had rejected the new forms and sent two replacement sets of forms. S Ridley and D Ridley signed the new forms.</p> <p>b) <u>Parish Hall Keys and Access Code</u></p> <p>➤ The Clerk reported the keys and codes are available.</p> <p>c) <u>Parish Clerk Training</u></p> <p>➤ The Clerk to attend an update training on the 26th February 2020. ➤ The Clerk reported he had obtained details of the Local Council Award Scheme. The Clerk to circulate copies to Councillors.</p> <p>d) <u>Dordon Hall Lane</u></p> <p>➤ Lindon Morgan (NWBC) confirmed he was waiting for an update from a meeting held with Mrs Jane Hodgetts and her Agent.</p>	Clerk
88)	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>➤ PCSO Sarah Fretler – Confirmation of Police attendance at meeting.</p> <p>➤ NWBC – Dordon Register of Electors.</p> <p>➤ NWBC – Planning and Development Board Meeting – 3rd February 2020.</p> <p>➤ NWBC – Jeff Brown – Telephone Kiosk on Roman Way – Proposal to remove due to lack of use. It was proposed (B Garratt), seconded (D Ridley) and agreed the Parish Council would have no objection to the removal of the telephone kiosk on Roman Way.</p> <p>Resolved: Agree to proposed removal of telephone kiosk on Roman Way.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ NWBC – Licensing Committee – 28th January 2020. ➤ Warwickshire County Council – Stuart Kocan-Payne – Stagecoach Bus Service Changes. ➤ NWBC – Safer Communities Sub-Committee – 24th February 2020. ➤ NWBC – R Beggs – Flooding Incidents and Storm Damage – Reply B5000 and Spon Lane. ➤ WCC – Road Closures – Potters Lane and Common Lane, Dordon. ➤ NWBC – Dunns Lane – Emptying of one dog bin weekly – Annual charge of £140.12. It was proposed, seconded and agreed to accept the charge of £140.12 p.a. to empty the Dog Waste Bin on Dunns Lane for 12 months. <p style="text-align: center;">Resolved: To accept the cost of emptying the Dog Bin on Dunns Lane for 12 months.</p>	
89)	<p><u>Planning</u></p> <p>a) <u>Planning Applications Received</u></p> <p>i) PAP/2020/0041 Ocado – Birch Coppice Business Park, Danny Morson Way, Dordon Installation of two new above ground diesel tanks. Decommission the existing underground tanks and link the new tanks with the existing dispersing pumps and pipework. No comment</p> <p>ii) PAP/2020/0052 Plot W1a – Birch Coppice Business Park, Arley Drive, Dordon Display of Signage. No comment</p> <p>b) <u>Planning Decisions</u></p> <p>i) PAP/2019/0580 Land at Connemara Close, Dordon Electric Gates at entrance to Connemara Close Permission Granted</p>	

	<p>ii) PAP/2019/0656 Trevelyan, Dunns Lane, Dordon Alterations and Extensions <i>Permission Granted</i></p>																																	
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91)	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>a) <u>Website</u></p> <p>➤ The Clerk to confirm Crocket Cresswell's telephone number to B Melia. B Melia said the Minutes plus details of events in the Village need to be on the new Website.</p> <p>b) <u>Oak Tree – Dordon Common</u></p> <p>➤ Andy Watkins (NWBC) had meeting with D Ridley and S Ridley in October 2019 regarding provision of a Tree Preservation Order for the Oak Tree on Dordon Common. The Clerk to contact Andy Watkins regarding progress.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>																																

c) **Heritage Trail**

- Andy Wright confirmed funding was available from Warwickshire County Council.

d) **Police and Crime Commissioner**

J Chambers confirmed the Commissioner would be at NWBC, Council Offices, Atherstone on the 24th February 2020 at 6.00pm. Also reported the Borough Council will be discussing whether to charge for the provision of Green Bins in the Borough next Wednesday.

e) **Communication**

19th February 2020

**To be presented at full Parish Council Meeting (19/02/2020)
Parish Councillor Donna Watts**

Dordon Parish Council
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Whitehouse Road
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Dear Councillors

I would like this statement in full to be added to the main body (not summarised) minutes of our Parish Council meeting on the above date:-

Since being elected to Dordon Parish Council on 1st April 2019, I have done my best as a Councillor to look at how the Council is run and to suggest improvements where I see necessary.

I have had success with some items but seem to come to a standstill due to information not being provided to myself. I am very structured and organised in my approach and have emailed (on numerous occasions sometimes) requests for information that have simply not been forthcoming. I have also spoken about these issues on the telephone and at meetings.

As an elected Councillor it is my right to request this information and I would like to have recorded in written record how disappointed I am that this information has not been given or at least a reason as to why it could not be provided/given.

I have tried to work with the Council and have taken on board requests to ensure I make myself transparent in my approach to items I am working on.

I have a number of items that have been outstanding for a number of months. I have summarised these in an “outstanding action points” spreadsheet. I request today that these items are reviewed as a matter of urgency and that information is provided. If the information cannot be provided I would respectfully request that a formal reason in writing is given as to why not.

I feel that Dordon Parish Council face many challenges in the coming months:-

Health & Safety Compliance
Village Hall Negative Finances
New Employment Law Legislation (1st April 2020)
Village Hall Repairs

It is my opinion that as a Council we need to address these issues head on. If there are reasons why this information cannot be provided, we need to look at these and act accordingly. It is my opinion that to simply ignore these issues in the hope that they go away is not acceptable.

I would request that all items outstanding are addressed by no later than our March 2020 meeting.

I am happy to discuss and provide support where needed on the provision of any items.

Yours sincerely

Parish Councillor Donna Watts

The meeting closed at 9.23pm

P Morson Chairman
Chairman