

Datchet Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE DATCHET VILLAGE HALL, ALLEN WAY,
ON MONDAY 20TH JULY 2009 AT 8.00P.M

Present: Cllrs D. Cannon (Chairman), H. Clasper, Mrs S. Drummond, E. Larcombe,
D. Lyons-Davis, Mrs L. O'Flynn, T. A. J. O'Flynn, R. Stewart
Mr G. J. Leaver – Clerk

Apologies: Cllrs P. Dickson, Mrs M. Fitzgerald, A. J. Needham, P. Simmons, Mrs H. Taylor,
Mrs E. F. Wren

There was 1 member of the public present.

09.058 MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

Cllrs Mrs S. Drummond and D. Lyons-Davis declared an interest in matters relating to the Datchet Village Hall.

09.059 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 6TH JULY 2009

The minutes were approved, subject to the following amendment, as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

09.055 (a)

At the end of the third line of paragraph a) delete the word 'and' and replace by the word 'an'.

09.060 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES

09.049 c)

In response to a question from Cllr H. Clasper, the Clerk advised that the group concerned were local individuals linked to the Parish Church. This information would be provided to Val Butler of the Datchet in Bloom Group.

09.053 b)

In response to a question from Cllr H. Clasper, the Chairman indicated that the proposed private meeting would be replaced by a Special Meeting of the Council scheduled for Monday 27th July 2009.

09.061 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr Clasper reported that he had attended a meeting with Dave Perkins, Head of Streetcare at the Royal Borough, to discuss matters relating to the responses to be made in regard to the Draft Floods and Water Bill.

Cllr Mrs S. Drummond had attended a meeting of the St Mary's School Governors and reported back the thanks of the school for the arrangements being made by the Parish Council concerning accommodation for a Youth Worker to be active within the Datchet Parish Council area.

09.062 PLANNING APPLICATIONS & PLANNING DECISIONS

In presenting the planning applications for consideration at this meeting, the Lead Member reminded the Council of the previous agreement (PC06.282 05.03.07) that all applications in Datchet should be qualified by a reference to Flood Plain implications.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 3rd July 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01224
Type: Full
Proposal: New rear dormer to create habitable roof space.
Location: **3 Montagu Road Datchet Slough SL3 9DT**
Applicant: Mr And Mrs D F Rooney **c/o Agent:** Mr Glenn Curran 5 Montague Road Datchet Slough Berkshire SL3 9DT
Determination Date: 28 August 2009
BB

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 26th June 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01286
Type: Full
Proposal: First floor rear extension and single storey rear extension
Location: **6 The Lawn Horton Road Datchet Slough SL3 9HB**
Applicant: Ms Francoise Fielding **c/o Agent:** Mr M Cooper - Coopr Environmental Planning 12 Homers Road Windsor Berkshire SL4 5RG
Determination Date: 21 August 2009
BB

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 3rd July 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01327
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey rear extension
Location: **24 Beaulieu Close Datchet Slough SL3 9DE**
Applicant: Mr Jasbinder S Athwal
Determination Date: 28 August 2009
KD

Members had objections to this application in that it was an overdevelopment in the Flood Plain.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 7th July 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01352
Type: Full
Proposal: Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension
Location: **202 Horton Road Datchet Slough SL3 9HL**
Applicant: Mr James Lindley **c/o Agent:** Mr M Pugsley MP Building Plans Ltd 1 Testwood Road Windsor Berkshire SL4 5RL
Determination Date: 1 September 2009
ASL

Members had objections to this application in that it was an overdevelopment in the Flood Plain.

09.063 PLANNING DECISIONS

NOTICE OF PERMISSION

09/01083 Appn. Date: 3rd June 2009
86 London Road Remove side and rear conservatory and replace with orangery extension
Date: 13^h July 2009

NOTICE OF APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

09/00855 Appn. Date: 15th May 2009
Walnut End Single storey extensions to both flank elevations, three
9 Eton End front and three rear dormers, front porch and new detached double garage
Date: 9th July 2009

09.064 PLANNING

The Lead Member referred to information which had been provided by Borough Council Enforcement Officers concerning the recent installation of roof lights in the new properties recently erected opposite St Mary's School (4&4A Horton Road).

Members were advised that planning permission for this installation was not required, notwithstanding members views that this would potentially increase the necessary parking provision on these sites.

09.065 FINANCE

Accounts for Payments

Following consideration by members and answers provided as necessary, it was proposed, seconded and agreed that the lists of payments now presented, in respect of the financial year 2009/2010 be approved.

09.066 FLOODING

Cllr H. Clasper reported on the current position regarding flooding matters with specific reference to the need for a response to the Government Consultation concerning the Draft Floods and Water Bill.

He commented in detail as to his understanding of the situation, the discussions he had had with Borough Council Officers and other information which had been provided to him.

He also brought to the attention of members of proposals put forward by Cllr M. V. Beer of Old Windsor Parish Council, who had called a meeting of interested parties (Parish Councils and others) in order to promote the establishment of a Local Flood Forum consisting of representatives of all parishes within the Royal Borough who had interests, concerns or the need to take action in regard to flooding matters.

Members commented on the draft response prepared by Cllr Clasper, and noting the timescales involved authorised Cllr Clasper and the Clerk to deal with this matter in order that the Parish Councils response could be submitted to the Government as necessary.

It was accordingly proposed by Cllr Mrs S. Drummond, seconded by Cllr D. Lyons-Davis and resolved that the above proposal be approved.

Note: At the request of a member a recorded vote indicated that:

- a) The following members voted for: D. Cannon, H. Clasper, Mrs S. Drummond, D. Lyons-Davis, Mrs L. O'Flynn, T. O'Flynn, R. Stewart
- b) Cllr E. Larcombe voted against.

Noted that Cllrs Clasper and T.O'Flynn, together with Cllr E. Larcombe, in his personal capacity, would attend the meeting at Old Windsor.

Note: Parish Councils response to the Draft Bill is attached as Appendix A to these minutes.

09.067 GROUNDS

The Lead Member reported that;

- a) Football – There was significant interest in the use of the pitches for the forthcoming season and he anticipated 3 Saturday afternoon teams, 4 or 5 Sunday morning teams and 1 Sunday afternoon team. Although he confirmed that there would be only 2 matches taking place at any one time.
- b) Noted Cllr E. Larcombe's comments that it would be necessary to replace the vandalised tree adjacent to the Youth Club. Whilst dealing with the matter of trees members noted the continuation for a further 12 months of the watering of new trees by the current contractor.

Cllr Clasper, with the support of other members, noted and approved of the recent works for the installation of granite sets as a means of reducing strimming of long grass around the edges of the village greens.

09.068 ACTION LIST

The current action list was noted and the Clerk took the opportunity to advise members that the List of Businesses within the Parish prepared by Cllr T. O'Flynn and Cllr Ms Taylor had, contrary to his previous comments, been provided as requested.

09.069 BUSINESS FAIR ON VILLAGE GREEN

Cllr Cannon outlined the proposals which had been put forward by Borough Councillor J. Grey concerning a proposed Business Fair on the Village Greens in September this year, as a means of promoting awareness of local businesses and in an effort to minimise the effects of the current recession on business activity in Datchet.

This would be a one off event, no selling of products or services allowed and would relate to Datchet Village business only.

Authority to take this matter further was given to the Chairman of the Council.

09.070 UPDATE ON VILLAGE HALL ELECTRICAL WORKS

The Clerk, together with other members, outlined the current position regarding works related to the Village Hall, which in addition to electrical re-wiring included the refurbishment of the kitchen area.

It was clear that more information needed to be provided to members particularly in relation to the legal and financial implications of the proposed works.

In recognition of the time critical aspects of this matter, it was agreed that a Special Meeting of the Council be arranged for Monday 27th July 2009, at which the only principal item on the agenda would be to deal with details relating to consideration of a legal report, an electrical report, options and potential funding arrangements.

Members agreed that the specialist legal advisor to the Parish Council, Mr P. Clayden, be invited, together with Mr R. Joyce, the Consultant electrical engineer who had been commissioned to prepare the necessary documents relating to the re-wire of the Hall.

In light of all the various implications it was further agreed that members of the Village Hall Management Committee, who were not members of the Parish Council, should be formally invited to attend.

09.071 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk advised members that the following had been received and noted.

- a) RBWM – The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Draft Statement of Principles, Gambling Act 2005. Noted.

09.072 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Cllr E. Larcombe Asked what progress had been made regarding the problems members had identified with the Land at Mill Place and was advised that discussions were continuing, including an active part being taken by Borough Councillor G. Muir. It was also noted that it was understood that the horses previously accommodated on the land had been moved elsewhere.

In relation to 118 Horton Road asked that the Lead Member for Grounds look into the matter of the height of the fencing panels on the boundary with Parish Council land in that he was not satisfied that there were of the agreed height.

Having noted the comments about 4 & 4A Horton Road, asked if Planning Section 106 funding would be generated by the building of these two new properties. It was however the case that as this was a two for two arrangement Section 106 regulations did not apply.

09.073 NEXT MEETING

The Next Meeting will be held on 3rd August 2009 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.25P.M.

CHAIRMAN

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