

Datchet Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE DATCHET VILLAGE HALL, ALLEN WAY, ON MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 8.00P.M

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

Apologies: Cllrs P. Dickson, Mrs E. F. Wren

There were 3 members of the public present.

09.127 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In response to a question the Chairman indicated that there had been no response from Tesco in regard to the Mulligans site in Horton Road and also no feedback from the local meeting which he understood had been arranged by a representative of that company.

It was agreed that the note prepared by a Borough Council Officer should be circulated to all members.

Mr I. Thompson asked in relation to the Environment Agency proposals relating to the Lower Thames Flood Risk Management Strategy whether or not Datchet had been asked to host a local meeting similar to those that the Environment Agency had arranged for other venues. The Parish Council had not been contacted in this regard but the Spokesperson for Flooding agreed to take this up with the Environment Agency.

In regard to the consultation document, it was agreed that this would be circulated to all members either in the form of a double sided copy or electronically at their choice.

09.128 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 7TH SEPTEMBER 2009

The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

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

Cllr H. Clasper had attended a meeting of the Parishes Flood Liaison Group at which he had accepted the position of Chairman with the administrative support being provided by the shortly to be appointed trainee Clerk at Old Windsor (Mr J. Lee), he would report in more detail in due course.

09.130 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.

AMENDED APPLICATION

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 11th August 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01548
Type: Full
Proposal: Two storey rear extension plus loft conversion with side dormer windows and rear Juliette balcony including raising the height of the existing roof.
Location: **125 Slough Road Datchet Slough SL3 9AE**
Applicant: Miss Sophia Dubra **c/o Agent:** Mr Peter Holmes 2 Monks Road Windsor SL4 4PE
Determination Date: 6 October 2009

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No Objection.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 7th September 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01830
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey rear extension
Location: **200 Horton Road Datchet Slough SL3 9HL**
Applicant: Mr Amarjit Virk **c/o Agent:** Mr Harvey Saund 183 Spackmans Way Slough Berkshire SL1 2SE
Determination Date: 2 November 2009

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No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 8th September 2009 **Appn No.:** 09/01836
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey front extension
Location: **121 The Myrke Datchet Slough SL3 9AD**
Applicant: Mr Rahul Sharma **c/o Agent:** Mr K Ali 141 Langley Road Slough Berkshire SL3 7DZ
Determination Date: 3 November 2009

ASL

No Objection.

09.131 PLANNING DECISIONS

NOTICE OF PERMISSION

09/01408 Appn. Date: 14th July 2009
19 Southlea Road Loft conversion to create an additional bedroom and ensuite.
Date: 2nd September 2009

NOTICE OF REFUSAL

09/01527 Appn. Date: 28th July 2009
2 Swan Court, Southlea Rd Alteration of existing first floor flat to form 1 x 2 bedroom flat and 1 x 1 bedroom flat additional car parking space.
Date: 14th September 2009

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN

09/01440 Appn. Date: 28th July 2009
DK Timber & Builders Change of use to vehicle sales garage.
Merchants, 111 Horton Rd **Date: 11th September 2009**

09/01608 Appn. Date: 12th August 2009
Datchet St Mary's CE Erection of a single storey building to form children's
Primary School centre including associated car park & footpath works
Date: 14th September 2009

CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS

09/01386 Appn. Date: 28th July 2009
11 Prior Way Certificate of proposed development to determine whether a
proposed use of part of the ground floor of osteopathic business
purposes is lawful.
Date: 2nd September 2009

09.132 PLANNING MATTERS

The Lead Member referred to a document which had been circulated to all members which set out changed arrangements for dealing with planning applications to be implemented by the Borough Council in early 2010.

Cllr Mrs O'Flynn had attended a meeting of the Old Windsor Parish Council which had already adopted procedures whereby applications were displayed on a large screen rather than by the use of circulated paper plans which in any event would cease in due course.

She explained the arrangements and it was agreed that a representative from Old Windsor be asked to attend a future meeting of this Council to introduce the system to members.

The Lead Member referred to details which had been provided concerning a joint Vodafone and Telefonica O2 mobile phone mast to be situated south of Pococks Lane to the east of the Thames Valley Athletics Centre.

In having no comment on this proposal, members were pleased to note that this was a joint arrangement in an effort to minimise the number of masts in residential areas.

The Lead Member indicated that together with the Chairman she would update members in due course, in proposals which would be forthcoming from the Datchet Health Centre in respect of increasing the space available to them for the use of additional doctors as a result of the practice becoming a training unit.

09.133 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.

Financial Position of the Council as at 31.08.09

The Chairman conveyed the apologies of the Lead Member for Finance who was unable to be present due to being detained elsewhere on other matters.

Whilst it was agreed that this matter should be deferred to the next meeting, Cllrs Clasper and Needham raised some queries relating to the figures now presented. It was agreed that any member having any sort of query in this regard should forward them to Cllr Dickson with a copy to the Clerk in order that appropriate explanations and answers might be provided at the next meeting.

09.134 PROPERTIES

The Lead Member referred to a letter which had been received, which would be circulated to all members, from Mrs Pamela Barnes-Taylor, the Chairman of the Bridge Management Committee in which she outlined proposals for internal alterations to the ground floor of 24 The Green.

He repeated the concerns expressed previously relating to the fact that the scheme now referred to had been dealt with without due reference to the Parish Council as owners of the property.

Whilst generally speaking members were inclined to support the proposals, it was agreed that the Bridge Management Committee should be advised of the views of the Parish Council and advised that prior to any formal conclusive approval for their proposals it would be necessary for them to convince the Council that appropriate arrangements were in place prior to any work commencing in respect of listed building planning consent and similarly building regulations approval.

09.135 FLOODING

Datchet Flood Plan

Cllr H. Clasper referred to the copy of the draft Datchet Flood Plan which had been circulated to all members, about which he accepted there were some gaps and missing items of information. However he would be pleased if members would read the document and if necessary provide him with any queries they had in order that the Plan might be formally accepted by the Parish Council at the next meeting.

Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead Parishes Flood Liaison Group

Further to his comments earlier and in his role of Chairman of the Group, Cllr Clasper outlined the proposals for the establishment of this group, which in the first instance was intended to represent riverside parishes, although in practice will most likely include other parishes within the Borough together with interested local groups involved in flooding matters.

The group would be seeking recognition by and representation of any committees or groups formed by the Borough Council and the Environment Agency relating to flooding matters.

Members noted the concerns expressed by Cllr Larcombe who had been unable to convince the group that he should be a member representing his interests as the promoter of Jubileeriver.com.

09.136 GROUNDS

The Lead Member advised that:

- a) Green Lane Works were substantially complete.
- b) The Old Windsor grass cutting arrangements had commenced.
- c) The Fair had been successful.
- d) Arrangements for football in respect of the 2009/2010 had commenced with a increased number of teams involved.

In response to a question from Cllr Clasper he indicated that he was aware of the need for play area maintenance works which would be carried out in the coming weeks.

09.137 HIGHWAYS AND GENERAL PURPOSES

The Lead Member referred to matters which had arisen since the last meeting which she had dealt with as set out below.

- a) Continuing discussions regarding parking in Eton Road.
- b) The fact that problems had once again become apparent in relation to parking by parents collecting students from Churchmead School.
- c) An increase in congestion caused by parents collecting children from St Mary's School.
- d) Cllr Clasper asked the Lead Member to take up once again with Borough Officers, following an incident in which he was personally involved the difficulties being experienced by motorists in Windsor Road opposite the Riverside site, which were caused by the recently installed parking bays at that location.
- e) In regard to the Green Lane parking arrangements the Lead Member would discuss the details with Cllr Mrs Drummond who had been involved previously.

09.138 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported on the successful 'Business Day' recently held on the Village Green, which had been well attended and appreciated by everyone involved, he was of the view that this might become an annual or more frequent event.

09.139 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported receipt of details relating to the Mayor of the Royal Boroughs Tour of Windsor scheduled for Friday 2nd October 2009, which had been circulated to all members.

09.140 NEXT MEETING

The Next Meeting will be held on 5th October 2009 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.45P.M.

CHAIRMAN

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