

Datchet Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE DATCHET VILLAGE HALL, ALLEN WAY,
ON MONDAY 26TH APRIL 2010 AT 8.00P.M

Present: Cllrs D. Cannon (Chairman), H. Clasper, Mrs M. Fitzgerald, D. Loveridge,
D. Lyons-Davis, A. J. Needham, Mrs L. O'Flynn, P. Simmons, R. Stewart, Ms H. Taylor
Mr G. J. Leaver – Clerk

Apologies: Cllrs P. Dickson, Mrs S. Drummond, E. Larcombe, T. A. J. O'Flynn, Mrs E. F. Wren
Borough Councillor G. Muir

There were 4 members of the public present.

09.338 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman advised members he would be standing down from the Parish Council at the forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting.

09.339 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members noted the views of the owner of Gable End stores in that he was of the opinion that the Lead Member for Planning had not provided appropriate support for his application at the recent meeting of the Windsor Development Control Panel.

Consequent upon comments made both by Cllr Mrs O'Flynn and Cllr Clasper, it was noted that appropriate support had been expressed although some doubts existed as to the manner in which the decision to refuse the application had been arrived at by the panel.

The Clerk was instructed to take this up with the Leader of the Borough Council.

09.340 MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

Cllr R. Stewart declared a personal interest in planning application 10/00690.

09.341 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 12TH APRIL 2010

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

09.342 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES

09.330

Cllr H. Clasper enquired as to progress of the refurbishment of the tennis courts and having been advised that no further action had been taken as yet repeated his concerns as to the current situation.

09.331

In the absence of any member of the Village Hall Review Group, the Clerk informed members of an update which had been prepared by Cllr P. Dickson which indicated that a further meeting of the group had taken place, an indicative costing had been obtained from Emery Electrical Ltd, a draft invitation to tender had been prepared which reflected the redefined project and that the group were in discussions with the Clerk to the Council as to the administrative and financial procedures required to bring this matter to a point where sealed tenders would be received by the Parish Council.

Members, in noting these comments, wished to record the fact that there would be a need to determine funding arrangements, particularly in relation to applications to local charities for financial support.

09.343 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.

NEW APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council considers all applications on the basis that they are subject automatically to flood plain requirements.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 31st March 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00659
Type: Full
Proposal: Change of use of the A1 part of Silver Cottage, to A3 use in conjunction with Spices Restaurant
Location: **Silver Cottage The Green Datchet Slough SL3 9BJ**
Applicant: Mr Islam Nazrul - Spices Restaurant c/o **Agent:** Mr M Cooper - Cooper Environmental Planning 12 Homers Road Windsor SL4 5RG
Determination Date: 26 May 2010
ASL

No Objection. However the Parish Council strongly SUPPORT this application in that approval would permit the owner to make use of an empty business unit (an eyesore in a prominent location in the village) and potentially increase the viability of an existing thriving business in Datchet.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 6th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00660
Type: Full
Proposal: Two storey part single storey side and rear extension
Location: **43 Lawn Close Datchet Slough SL3 9LA**
Applicant: Mr Ranjit Sandhu c/o **Agent:** Mr J S Nutley 17 Glenwood Crescent Hayes Middx UB4 0AX
Determination Date: 1 June 2010
ASL

No Objection subject to compliance with footprint increase requirements related to previous approved applications relating to this site.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 7th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00673
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey rear extension and front porch
Location: **10 Castle Avenue Datchet Slough SL3 9BA**
Applicant: Mr Rauf Anwar c/o **Agent:** House 2 Home Designers 50 Station Road Langley Berks SL3 8BT
Determination Date: 2 June 2010
ASL

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 6th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00682
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey side extension
Location: **192 Horton Road Datchet Slough SL3 9HL**
Applicant: Mr James Mathias c/o **Agent:** Mr M Pugsley - MP Building Plans Ltd 1 Testwood Road Windsor SL4 5RL
Determination Date: 1 June 2010
ASL

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 8th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00688
Type: Cert of Lawfulness of Proposed Dev
Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether a proposed loft conversion with a rear, part side dormer is lawful
Location: **3 Lawn Close Datchet Slough SL3 9JZ**
Applicant: Mr Rob Grinstead **c/o Agent:** Mr Ray Fletcher Limeblue Innovation Ltd Post Office Buildings Freestone Yard, Park Street Slough SL3 0HT
Determination Date: 3 June 2010
ASL

Noted.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 8th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00690
Type: Full
Proposal: Enlargement of existing front dormer
Location: **3 Lawn Close Datchet Slough SL3 9JZ**
Applicant: Mr Rod Grinstead **c/o Agent:** Mr Ray Fletcher Limeblue Innovation Ltd Post Office Buildings Freestone Yard, Park Street Slough SL3 0HT
Determination Date: 3 June 2010
ASL

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 7th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00695
Type: Full
Proposal: Single storey rear extension and terrace
Location: **10 Agars Place Datchet Slough SL3 9AH**
Applicant: Mr Mathew Pool **c/o Agent:** Slim Green Limited Crowland 118 Aldenham Road Bushey Herts WD23 2ET
Determination Date: 2 June 2010

No Objection.

Parish/Ward: Datchet Parish
Appn. Date: 14th April 2010 **Appn No.:** 10/00754
Type: Cert of Lawfulness of Proposed Dev
Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether a proposed single storey side extension to each side and a front entrance porch is lawful
Location: **Walnut End 9 Eton Road Datchet Slough SL3 9AX**
Applicant: Mr Thomas Pratt **c/o Agent:** Mr Amer Awan House 2 Home Designers 50 Station Road Langley Berks SL3 8BT
Determination Date: 9 June 2010
DJ

Noted. Members had STRONG objections to this application in that it was considered to be an overdevelopment of a site which had previous approvals for extensions and therefore footprint requirements should be adhered to.

09.344 PLANNING DECISIONS

NOTICE OF PERMISSION

10/00276 Appn. Date: 16th February 2010
9 Lawn Close Two storey side extension. Part two storey, part single storey rear extension. Single storey front extension and entrance porch.
Date: 6th April 2010

10/00278 Appn. Date: 19th February 2010
19 Slough Road Front boundary wall
Date: 9th April 2010

10/00378 Appn. Date: 1st March 2010
8 Agars Place Construction of a rear conservatory
Date: 6th April 2010

10/00404 Old Manor House The Green	Appn. Date: 10 th March 2010 Enlargement of existing rear dormer Date: 12th April 2010
10/00414 Goodwyn House 12 High Street	Appn. Date: 9 th March 2010 Construction of a replacement Garage Date: 12th April 2010
10/00470 1 Horton Road	Appn. Date: 12 ^h March 2010 Change of use to D1 dental practice Date: 19th April 2010
10/00518 30 Eton Road	Appn. Date: 15 th March 2010 Renewal of permission 07/00235 for single storey rear extension Date: 20th April 2010

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

10/00395 Footpath to side of 21 High Street	Appn. Date: 1 st March 2010 Notification as to whether prior approval is required for the siting and design of a communications equipment cabinet Date: 29th March 2010
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NOTICE OF REFUSAL

10/00110 8 High Street	Appn. Date: 4 th February 2010 Change of use from A1 butcher to A5 takeaway and installation of external flue pipe to the rear Date: 15^h April 2010
10/00311 111 Horton Road DK Timber and Builders Merchants	Appn. Date: 24 th February 2010 Change of use from Retail (A1 use) to Fish and Chip Shop (A5 Hot Food Takeaway) Date: 19^h April 2010
10/00403 93 Horton Road	Appn. Date: 10 th March 2010 Change of use of part of ground floor front from A1 (shop) to self contained (A5) hot food takeaway, to incorporate a new brick wall and gate to form yard. Including extractor flue and internal wall to form part change of use of ground floor rear from A1 (Shop) to C3 (residential). Date: 15th April 2010

CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS

10/00457 50 Montagu Road	Appn. Date: 12 th March 2010 Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether a proposed 2m high shiplap fencing to divide part of the existing residential cartilage at 50 Montagu Road and allocate land to adjoining residential properties is lawful. Date: 19^h April 2010 LAWFUL
10/00507 6 Leigh Park	Appn. Date: 15 th March 2010 Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether a proposed single storey side extension is lawful. Date: 19^h April 2010 LAWFUL

09.345 PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Roadshow

The Clerk advised members that the Head of Planning and Development at the Royal Borough, as a consequence of the discussions which took place at a previous planning stakeholders meeting, had initiated two 'Parish Roadshow' meetings, specifically and exclusively for Parish Council members and clerks.

The meeting for the Southern Parishes would be held at 6.00pm on Monday 14th June in the Village Hall. Members were asked to note this date and time and advise the Clerk of their intention to attend a meeting which would provide an opportunity for parish council views relating to planning might be brought to the attention of the Head of Planning and his Senior Officers. Noted.

09.346 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 2010/2011 be approved.

09.347 FLOODING

Cllr H. Clasper updated members as to action relating to flooding matters particularly referring to the fact that information had been provided to the Environment Agency who had been requested to provide an action plan in respect of flooding implications within the area of the Parish Council.

09.348 GROUNDS

The Lead Member for Grounds reported upon the following items and asked for decisions as set out below.

- a) Playbuilder Funding for Datchet Recreation Ground – Following the discussions in this regard at a previous meeting it was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved that the Parish Council formally accept funding in the sum of £43,000 for the construction of a new play facility on a site under the control of the Parish Council between Horton Road and the railway line.
The Clerk was instructed to advise the Playbuilder Project Manager at the Borough Council of this decision and provide members with details of already developed sites within the Royal Borough.
It was further agreed that this matter be actioned in conjunction with the Project Manager by the Lead Member for Grounds and the Clerk.
- b) Football Facilities on the Recreation Ground – Datchet Village football team had requested to have a second team and they were seeking a reduction in fees, the Councils decision was no reduction.
- c) Replacement Tree Planting – The Lead Member put forward proposals for replanting as set out below;
 - i) Site adjacent to the Youth Club – replace dead tree at a cost of £1,495.00.
 - ii) Site of recently removed 'Yucca' on the Village Green.
Having noted the Lead Members reasons for the removal, members were of the view that this matter should be given further consideration and dealt with at the next meeting of the Council.
- d) Tractor Maintenance – For members information he indicated that due to a clutch failure, which was being dealt with, grass cutting operations were delayed at this point in time.
- e) Datchet in Bloom – Cllr Lyons-Davis briefed members as to the usual arrangements in respect of the provision of hanging baskets and other floral features which in the last financial year had cost in the region of £9,000.

In light of the Lead Member for Finance comments about financial control and the level of expenditure under the control of the Lead Member for Grounds, he wished to seek the Council's views as to arrangements to be made during the current financial year. Whilst noting the financial position members were of the view that in the overall interests of the village, the support the Parish Council would wish to give to local businesses the existing arrangements should continue. However efforts should be made to seek contributions towards the costs of hanging baskets from commercial premises on which they were placed.

09.349 HIGHWAYS

The Lead Member repeated the concerns she had expressed earlier in the meeting in relation to the perceived lack of co-operation and support in respect of parking matters she had received from the Borough Councils Parking Manager.

It was agreed that this matter should be taken up by the Clerk with the appropriate Departmental Head at the Borough Council and if necessary write formally to the leader of that Council in this regard.

In response to a comment by Cllr Loveridge, who expressed concerns about parking on the pavement on the Southern side of Horton Road between the junction of Penn Road and Mill Place, it was agreed that this matter be taken up with Borough Council Highway Officers.

09.350 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk submitted details of a request from the organisers of an 'Open Gardens event' to be staged in the Village during a weekend in July in support of the fund raising necessary in respect of the new room to be erected at St Mary's Church.

The request included permission for use of the Village Green and a small part of the Recreation Ground which was agreed in principal subject to details be provided and reported to the Council in due course.

Details were provided of the next Parish Conference scheduled for Monday 14th June 2010.

09.351 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Cllr D. Loveridge

Indicated that a tenant of his families site in Horton Road was looking for a sponsorship opportunity. It was noted that it might be appropriate for this to be applied to the St Mary's Church room proposal in minute 09.350.

Cllr Mrs M. Fitzgerald

Referred to the need for enforcement action in relation to the Italian Restaurant in Slough Road activities providing a takeaway service. Noted this had been reported to the Borough Council enforcement officers. She also raised concerns about a new sign which had appeared in the High Street which also would need to be referred to enforcement officers.

09.352 NEXT MEETING

The Next Meeting will be the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING and is to be held on 10th May 2010 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.24P.M.

CHAIRMAN

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