

DENNY LODGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Online via Zoom on Monday 2nd November 2020 at 7.00 pm

Present:

Cllr P Roberts - Chairman

Cllr R Gover

Cllr J Horton- Vice Chairman

Cllr J Green

Cllr E Elcoate

Cllr V Batty

Cllr K Dovey

In attendance –Mrs D Drodge, Parish Clerk; Cllr K Mans, County Councillor; Cllr M Harris, District Councillor

1.0. To accept apologies for absence

None

2.0. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda

None

3.0. To confirm minutes of the parish meeting held 7th September 2020

The minutes were agreed by Council as a true record of the meeting. They will be signed by the chairman when the Parish Council is able to resume public meetings.

4.0. Public session

No public participation.

5.0. To receive reports ALL FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

5.1. To receive report by the County Councillor for Denny Lodge.

We as a County a week ago decided to use some of the money put aside at the start of the pandemic by giving it to Councillors as a devolved budget with their agreement, we added another £2000 to the devolved budget specifically for Covid 19. Now what we are doing is using some of that where local Councillors wanted us to do, so as to provide funding through Community purses to food banks and other organisations that support vulnerable people. We have now found about £150 thousand and my target was to ensure we put as much money back into the community as would have been the case with the voucher scheme for half term. That was a short-term measure but that does not cover Christmas or Easter, and my hope is that the government comes up with a scheme to help those that are vulnerable depending on how Coronavirus continues. We are now in a new lock down phase, our figures were about the same as the South East with 110 people testing positive in the last few days out of 100,000. We all have to work hard as a County, yourselves and as a whole community to see if we can get the numbers down during the next four weeks. There is slight evidence that increase is moderate in Hampshire, it's gone up in some areas but not so fast in others.

Recycling centres will remain open, I am unsure about libraries.

5.2. To receive report by the District Councillor for Denny Lodge.

There is huge pressure from local government to improve recycling, NFDC needs to come up with a scheme that is suitable for the New Forest. At present recycling is at 30% the government want recycling to be at least 60% within the next 5 years.

Parking charges are being reviewed but will remain the same for 2021, some changes are expected in 2022. Suspension of parking charges this year will be for 5 days to help support local businesses.

Councillor Harris is pleased to see that improvements are to be made at Ipley Cross to help the prevention of accidents.

5.3. To receive the Clerk report (circulated)

No Report

5.4. To receive reports from external meetings

No Reports

6.0. Finance**6.1. To agree payments in accordance with the budget and to note bank reconciliation.
(Circulated)**

Resolved:

Payee	BACS Date	Item	Payment	Folio
Payments				
TLC	21/09/2020	Web Maintenance	£114.00	12
D Drodge	02/11/2020	Salary	£527.28	13
D Drodge	02/11/2020	Expenses	£66.66	14
Total Paid			<u>£707.94</u>	-
Receipts as at date		Detail	Amount	
New Forest district council 30/04/20	BGC	Precept	£2,830.00	
New Forest district council 28/09/20	BGC	Precept	£2,830.00	
Bank reconciliation				
Balance as at date			<u>£8,019.30</u>	-
Net bank balance as at date				
The net balances reconcile to the cash book for the year to date, as follows				
Opening balances			£5,089.89	
Add receipts			£5,660.00	
Less payments			-£3,324.53	
uncleared payments			£0.00	
uncleared cheques			£0.00	
Total			<u>£7,425.36</u>	

Chairman's signature:

Date: 11/01/2021

6.2. To agree the 2020-21 budget to date including the precept request.

Resolved: he budget 2020-21 to date was agreed by Council. The precept request will rise by 1% going up from £5660.00 to £5716.60 agreed by Council.

Denny Lodge Parish Council Budget - 2020-21

	Actual 2018/19	Budget 2019/20	Forecast 2019/20	Budget 2020/21	To date (02/11/20) 2020/21
Income					
Precept	5,416.00	5,660.00	5,660.00	5,660.00	5,660.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	469.99	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VAT recovered	0.00	30.00	291.38	30.00	0.00
Total Income	5,416.00	5,690.00	6,421.37	5,690.00	5,660.00
Expenditure					
<i>Administrative Expenditure</i>					
Salaries inc PAYE &NI	3,570.94	2902.35	3057.96	3,119.12	2,109.12
Stationery & postage	113.10	150.00	130.00	150.00	0.00
Travel Allowance	288.11	200.00	80.00	100.00	7.65
Office Allowance	549.28	400.00	400.00	400.00	266.64
Equipment	540.76	150.00	375.99	0.00	0.00
Training	461.40	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
VAT Paid	157.38	30.00	134.00	30.00	0.00
Total Admin cost	5,680.97	4,032.35	4,377.95	3,999.12	2,383.41
<i>Operating Expenditure</i>					
Hall Hire	265.00	245.00	240.00	260.00	0.00
Audit & Legal Fee	200.00	220.00	200.00	220.00	200.00
Insurance	300.00	330.00	344.74	350.00	341.20
Subscriptions	390.00	470.00	450.00	490.00	399.92
Advertising	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S137 Grants	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Election costs	0.00	800.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Total Op. Cost	1,155.00	2,300.00	1,434.74	1,420.00	941.12
Grand Total Expenditure	6,835.97	6,332.35	5,812.69	5,419.12	3,324.53
<i>Summary</i>					
Total Income	5,416.00	5,690.00	6,421.37	5,690.00	5,660.00
Total Expenditure	6,835.97	6,332.35	5,812.69	5,419.12	3,324.53
Surplus (shortfall)	-1,419.97	-642.35	608.68	270.88	2,335.47
<i>General Fund</i>					
Opening balance	5,866.47	4,446.50	4,446.50	5,084.18	5,055.18
Add surplus above	-1,419.97	-642.35	608.68	270.88	2,335.47
Closing balance	4,446.50	3,804.15	5,055.18	5,355.06	7,390.65

6.3. To request permission for the Chairman to sign AGAR audit forms, financial documents to date and minutes from online meetings. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, this will need to be done outside a parish council meeting. All documents have been circulated to all councillors.

Resolved: The clerk applied for an extension for submitting audit forms, the signed forms must be submitted by 6th November 2020. The clerk will meet Cllr Roberts who will sign the forms and all minutes, receipts and payments for the past few months where meetings have been held virtually.

Chairman's signature:

Date: 11/01/2021

6.4. To consider grant fund application from Victim Support.

Resolved: A grant of £50 was awarded to victim Support.

7.0. Planning

7.1. To consider planning application; 20/00697 Lady Cross Lodge, Beaulieu Road, Brockenhurst. So42 7QL.

Resolved:

20/00697	Lady Cross Lodge, Beaulieu Road, Brockenhurst.SO42 7QL	Orangery linked to existing pool building	17/11/20	Comment 5
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8.0. To receive feedback from FE on Bylaws.

Forestry England Bylaws are available to view online, [Forestry Commission Byelaws](#)

The Parish Council will take to the next Quadrant meeting and see if Denny lodge can work with FE.

9.0. To receive update on cycling.

There has been a lot of discussion regarding cycling routes in the New forest at Access Forum meetings, a lot of work is going on to try to link more cycle routes and promote the ones currently available.

<https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/app/uploads/2018/01/New-Forest-Cycle-Routes-Map.pdf>

10.0. To receive update on Ipley Crossroads.

An email to be sent asking for the Parish Councils views to be taken into consideration and to be involved in any further consultations. Councillors are concerned over the proposed new layout.

11.0. To discuss proposed pedestrian crossing on A326.

Cllr Elcoate has had a member of public ask about the proposed crossing on A326.

Councillor Mans reported that there is an upgrade to the A326 but does not have all the details, he will speak to the Highways department to find out as to what is happening and where, he will come back to the Parish and let us know exactly what is happening. The Clerk will email Cllr Mans with the Reference number.

12.0. Items for inclusion on the next agenda.

To receive update on FE bylaws

To receive update on cycling

To receive update on status of Ipley Crossroads

To receive update on the proposed crossing on A326

11.0. To confirm that the next meeting of Denny Lodge Parish Council will be held on Monday 11th January 2021 at 7.00pm at Beaulieu Abbey Church Hall. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom if Covid 19 restrictions have not changed.

Agreed.

Meeting closed at 21.10