

## Minutes of Dingley Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**in the Village Hall, Dingley at 7.00 pm.**

<b>Members of the Parish Council Present</b>	Cllr B Jones (Chair) Cllr S Dudson Mrs Justina Medwell (Clerk)
<b>Others in Attendance</b>	None

		<b>Action</b>
1404	<b>To receive and approve apologies:</b> Cllr E Lomer-Wood NNC Cllr D Howes	
1405	<b>Member's declaration of interest in items on the agenda and any changes to the Members Register of Interests:</b> There were no declarations of interest in items on this agenda. There were no changes to the Register of Member's Interests.	
1406	<b>To approve and sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting:</b> The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2023 were <b>agreed</b> as a true record of these meetings and were duly signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Jones    Seconded Cllr Dudson	
1407	<b>Matters Arising from the last Parish Council meeting:</b> It was noted that the parish council vacancy had still not been filled. The Council urged any resident interested in the position to contact the clerk for further information on the role.	
1408	<b>Open Forum and Representations from members of the public – Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council:</b> There were no members of the public present. <b>(Meeting closed to the public)</b>	
1409	<b>Planning:</b> There were no planning applications to consider.	
1410	<b>(i) Safety Review of Parish Assets:</b> It was noted that all assets including the defibrillator were in order.  <b>(ii) Local Government Update:</b> The Council was saddened to hear of the death of NNC Cllr Mike Tebbutt and wished to acknowledge his great support of the parish council. He will be missed on a personal and professional level.  In the absence of any NNC councillors, the Clerk reported that NNC had a balanced budget for the coming financial year but due to increased pressure on Children's Services and Adult Social Care, council tax would be rising by 4.99%.	

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	<p><b>(iii) Review of Risk Assessment:</b> The Risk Assessment had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting. There were no amendments to make. The Risk Assessment was then duly approved.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Dudson                  Seconded Cllr Jones</p>													
1411	<p><b>Financial Matters:</b></p> <p><b>(i) Payments</b> The following payments were presented and unanimously <b>agreed:</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>100014</td> <td>TsoHost – Website Domain 2 Year Renewal</td> <td>£287.88</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>(ii) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Current Account</td> <td></td> <td>£12,476.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ringfenced – Cycle Path</td> <td></td> <td>£7,500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total Balance of Reserves</b></td> <td></td> <td><b>£4,976.04</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>All matters pertaining to finance are displayed on the website on <a href="http://dingley-pc.gov.uk">dingley-pc.gov.uk</a></p>	100014	TsoHost – Website Domain 2 Year Renewal	£287.88	Current Account		£12,476.04	Ringfenced – Cycle Path		£7,500.00	<b>Total Balance of Reserves</b>		<b>£4,976.04</b>	
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1412	<p><b>Parish Highways and Rights of Way:</b></p> <p><b>Highways Update</b> – The Council was pleased to report that the 40mph buffer zones were now in place on the A427 and that 'Dragon's Teeth' had been added at entrance to 30mph zone.</p> <p><b>Safe Cycle Path</b> – Cllr Dudson provided an update on further fund-raising activity and companies approached by both he and Cllr L Jones. The first half of the grant monies from the NNC Community Fund had now been received. Regarding the section of footpath which would be provided by NNC, Cllr Dudson advised that NNC would be amending and re-submitting the application form for the 2024 / 25 Integrated Transport Block schemes for Dingley to include the monies pledged ready for the new assessments in the Spring.</p> <p>The next step is to send a donation request email/letter to large logistic companies that route their lorries through Dingley.</p>													
1413	<p><b>Exchange of Information, Crime Report and Village Hall:</b></p> <p>Cllr Dudson informed the Council that the Friends of Dingley Park scheme was now open and that there were 12 paid up members. He advised that the owner / farmer of the Park was applying for a sustainable farming incentive which would mean re-wilding the land. The Council is waiting to see if this will affect access.</p> <p>There were no reported incidents of crime in Dingley in the recent months as detailed on <a href="http://www.police.uk">www.police.uk</a></p>													
1414	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> There was no further correspondence to discuss.</p>													
1415	<p><b>New items for inclusion on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting:</b> Highways mowing timing and frequency.</p>													
1416	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b> Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024    The Meeting Closed at 8 pm.</p>													

Signed .....

(Chair)

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