

Minutes of Dingley Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28th August 2024

in the Village Hall, Dingley at 7.00 pm.

Members of the Parish Council Present	Cllr B Jones (Chair) Cllr S Dudson Cllr E Lomer-Wood Cllr L Jones
Others in Attendance	Mrs Justina Medwell (Clerk) NNC Cllr B McElhinney

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1458	To receive and approve apologies: NNC Cllr D Howes J Ingham (Village Hall)	
1459	Member's declaration of interest in items on the agenda and any changes to the Members Register of Interests: There were no declarations of interest in items on this agenda. There were no changes to the Register of Member's Interests.	
1460	To approve and sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 rd July 2024 were agreed as a true record of these meetings and were duly signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Dudson Seconded Cllr Lomer-Wood	
1461	Matters Arising from the last Parish Council meeting: There were no matters arising.	
1462	Open Forum and Representations from members of the public – Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council: There were no members of the public present. (Meeting closed to the public)	
1463	Planning: NK/2024/0153 Bowd Field, Stoke Albany Neighbouring Parish Consultation Change of Use for Static Caravans The Council noted this application and made no comment	
	(i) Safety Review of Parish Assets: It was noted that all assets including the defibrillator were in order.	
	(ii) Local Government Update: NNC Cllr McElhinney advised that there was nothing to report on behalf of NNC at present.	

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1464	<p>(iii) Welland Wanderer Bus Service:</p> <p>It was noted that NNC had included an option for Dingley to be included in the Welland Wanderer bus service within the contracts that are currently being tendered. This is likely to be a trial to gauge use, providing the additional cost is affordable within the overall funding available.</p>																			
1465	<p>Financial Matters:</p> <p>(ii) Payments The following payments were presented and unanimously agreed:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Payee</th> <th>Details</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>VAT element</th> <th>Legal Authority</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(iii) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>Current Account</td> <td>£3,809.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings Account</td> <td>£13,556.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ringfenced – Cycle Path</td> <td>£9,165.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Balance of Reserves</td> <td>£8,200.26</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All matters pertaining to finance are displayed on the website on dingley-pc.gov.uk</p>	Payee	Details	Amount	VAT element	Legal Authority						Current Account	£3,809.21	Savings Account	£13,556.05	Ringfenced – Cycle Path	£9,165.00	Total Balance of Reserves	£8,200.26	
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1466	<p>Parish Highways and Rights of Way:</p> <p>Highways Update – Cllr Lomer-Wood expressed concern again with the size and speeds of the HGV's travelling through Dingley, particularly with the inadequate width of the road. She noted yet again another incident of lorries hitting each other's wing mirrors as they passed each other in the narrow parrs of the village. Cllr Lomer-Wood also expressed concern at the narrow width of the footpath and the vulnerability of pedestrians so close to passing lorries.</p> <p>Cllr Lomer-Wood will record all incidents arising from this problem and undertook to pursue again the possibility of an axel weight limit through the village.</p> <p>It was thought that the two new speed activated signs put up recently on the A427 will replace the old ones.</p> <p>Safe Cycle Path – Cllr Dudson informed the Council that a firm quote has now been received for the proposed path. Two further contractors have been approached but have declined to quote. No further donations nor grants have been forthcoming at this point.</p> <p>The Council discussed at length funding for this path and agreed to explore the option of a long-term loan through the Public Works Loan Board.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Dudson Seconded Cllr L Jones</p> <p>The Clerk will contact NCALC for further guidance on the process.</p> <p>Cllr L Jones will continue to apply for any upcoming NNC Rural Prosperity or Community Capital Grant and will look into the upcoming availability of funding for farmers and landowners who choose to create permissive footpaths, cycle paths and bridleways on their land.</p> <p>It had been suggested that the proposed route either be displayed in the village or circulated to residents, detailing the route, with information on what is planned and how the residents can help, including the possibility of donating.</p>	<p>ELW</p> <p>JM</p> <p>LJ</p>																		

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1467	<p>Exchange of Information, Crime Report and Village Hall:</p> <p>The Chair referred to an enquiry regarding the vacant tree and footpath warden positions. As no volunteers for these positions had come forward, the Council felt the best option was to encourage all residents and dog walkers to report to the Council any overgrown footpaths or issues with local trees so these could then be referred to the relevant authority.</p> <p>Village Hall – The committee has held a number of well attended events and continues to plan ahead. The renovation of the kitchen and toilets has been completed and the next project is to improve the PA system with some new speakers with Bluetooth capabilities. It is hoped that a modest grant to help towards this will be forthcoming. With regards to the new village hall, it was noted that Maddocks were considering an option to build a new hall which would then be offered back to the village at a peppercorn rent.</p>	
1468	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>There was no further correspondence to discuss.</p>	
1469	<p>New items for inclusion on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting:</p> <p>To commence 2025/26 Budget</p>	
1470	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>Wednesday 6th November 2024</p> <p>The Meeting Closed at 8:01 pm.</p>	

Signed (Chair)

Dated