

DENTON with WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairperson - Cllr Allyn Thomas

MINUTES

Monday 27 JANUARY 2023 at 7.00pm

Held at WOOTTON VILLAGE HALL

In attendance: Cllrs: Allyn Thomas (Chair), Terry Hodges (Vice-Chair),
Penelope James, Bob Akehurst, Graham Bevan
Cathy Skinner (Clerk)
6 members of the public.

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Thomas welcomed all to the meeting.

No apologies have been received.

2. COUNCIL

Declarations of Interest:

a) Declaration of any councillor's interest in agenda items other than those registered at previous meetings. b) Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests and Voluntary Announcements of Other Interests (other than those previously disclosed), and a reminder to think of any changes to the DPI Register held at DDC, such as a change of job or home. c) Voluntary Declaration of other non-significant interests. d) Review of Councillor Responsibilities

None to record.

3. PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION TIME

Adjournment of the meeting for parishioners' questions and comments limited to items on this agenda. (This is the opportunity during the meeting for residents to speak – 15 minutes in total)

Cllr Thomas and Cllr Hodges met DDC's Environmental Health Officers on 10th January in respect of LHRC's noise monitoring plan and creation of a consultative committee by LHRC.

Cllr James reported that Wootton Environmental Protection Group have not been granted an appeal, this was decided in December 2022.

Noise management plan – the Goodwood model is only being partially implemented, a watered down version has been assumed. Monitoring points remain an issue with the best solution being a 24hr automated system. It was also reported that there has been an impact on noise levels following installation of the ramp. Cllr Thomas will write to DDC again reiterating parishioner's concerns and to comment on the delay in forming a consultative committee.

It is also noted that the retrospective planning application for jumps has not yet been decided by DDC planning.

Cllr Akehurst commented that whilst only DDC can control the noise monitoring process, they are funded by public money and this may have an impact on their decisions. Only DDC can hold LHRC to account in the event of a legal breach, Cllr Thomas will contact LHRC to follow up.

Public right of way at Wootton Banks is due to be cleared at the beginning of February.

4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28th NOVEMBER 2023

The minutes of the last meeting held on 28 November were agreed as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr James, seconded by Cllr Hodges, AGREED.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (WHICH ARE NOT COVERED IN THIS AGENDA)

LHRC road closures, positioning of the signage has been reported to be ineffective, Cllr Thomas will contact KCC to discuss.

6. DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

No reports received.

7. COMMUNITY MATTERS & REPORTS FROM POLICE/PCSO/NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Cllr Akehurst reported that despite their best efforts, Neighbourhood Watch are still finding Kent Police's messaging system an obstruction to their work.

8. PARISH

- Highways
Awaiting implementation of Swingfield's highway improvement plan before we can proceed on A260 plans.
Tarmac at the Village Green Denton has been damaged by frost, contribution will be sought from Finns and Denton Village Hall. The salt bin in situ also belongs to the Parish Council.

Wootton Parkside – could boulders be used to prevent further damage? Cllr Akehurst suggested that KCC should be contacted and asked for frangible posts. Cllr Bevan to action.

- Public rights of way
Love lane will be cleared at the beginning of February.
ER100 at Shelvin – access issues have been reported to KCC
- Village halls
At Wootton the tree work has been completed, and a Coronation event is being planned for the Recreation Ground.
At Denton, the play equipment is on order and concern regarding crop spraying have been resolved.
- Village clean up 11 March at Denton and Wootton Village Halls.
- Community Fast Fibre Broadband

9. FINANCE

- a. Payments - payments were proposed by Cllr Hodges, seconded by Cllr Akehurst - AGREED
- b. Finance Report noted by all.
- c. To approve and sign the precept demand – the notice was signed by Chair and Clerk.

10. PLANNING

Local Planning Matters – items of interest/updates:

- Deacon Landscapes site – nothing to update.
- Land at Dumbrell Hill – no further action
- Land use at Shelvin Lane – The caravan has been removed and part of the land sold.
- Land use and revised access onto Shelvin Farm Road – currently with DDC Planning Enforcement, Cllrs Beaney & Rose will be asked if they can update on this situation
- LHRC – covered above.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None to action

12. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The meeting closed at 2020.

Next meeting: 27th March at Denton Village Hall, 7pm