

DINEDOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th March 2023, at Dinedor Village Hall

Present: Cllr. S. Penny – Chair
Cllr. N. Austin
Cllr. T. Greenow
Cllr. P. Keyse
Cllr. J. Over

In attendance: Liz Kelso Clerk/RFO
4 members of the public

036/2023 Apologies, declarations of interest and requests for dispensation

There were no apologies, declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

037/2023 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16th February, which had been previously circulated, were adopted and the Chair authorised to sign as a true record of proceedings at that meeting.

038/2023 Public Participation

038.1 Ward Councillor Report

Cllr. David Summers was not in attendance so there was nothing to report under this agenda item.

038.2 Matters raised by members of the public

During the period set aside for matters to be raised by the public in attendance, the following points were raised:

- An update on queries raised at the last meeting relating to development within the Enterprise Zone, its impact on the Rotherwas Chapel and the impact of pollution arising from development at that site.

- A request for the parish council website to be upgraded to a parish website with information on activities within the parish. It was explained that information on village events can be found in the newsletter which is available on the website.

038.3 **Police Matters**

Again, despite assurance that a representative from West Mercia Police would attend, there was no attendance and no report has been submitted. The clerk confirmed that details of the meeting had been forwarded to the safer neighbourhood team. Whilst it was acknowledged that police might be called away at short notice on any day, it was agreed that a formal complaint will be raised with West Mercia Police.

039/2023 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerks report as attached was noted.

040/2023 **Financial Matters**

040.1 **Payments agreed:**

The following payments were authorised:

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| • Dinedor Village Hall | |
| Additional room hire charges | £19.50 |
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Mrs. E. Kelso | |
| Home Office expense payment | £200.00 |

040.3 **Receipts**

There were no receipts since the last meeting

040.3 **Account balances**

An account balance of £12,336.63 was noted.

040.4 **Budget Report**

Members noted the budget report showing expenditure to date against the agreed budget indicating expenditure largely in line with budget expectations. It was unclear whether expected grant income amounting to £4,399.00 would be received during the current financial year.

041/2023

Highway Matters

041.1 Lengthsman Report

There was no report available from the Lengthsman.

041.2 Lengthsman Scheme Funding and Re-enrolment

With reference to the issues raised at the last meeting, the Clerk reported that the queries raised regarding the draft funding agreement and procedures for re-enrolment into the lengthsman scheme for the forthcoming year had not received a complete response from Herefordshire Council/Balfour Beatty. In order to ensure that the limited funding is available for the current and forthcoming year, it was agreed to complete the funding agreement and submit this to Herefordshire Council but with a covering letter to clarify the outstanding issues raised. As the funding agreement is to be signed as a Deed, Cllr. J. Over and Cllr. S. Penny were authorised to sign on behalf of the Parish Council.

041.3 Footpaths

Members noted a report from the Footpaths Officer noting in particular that the Order to Amend the Definitive Map to include M325, Turnpike Lane, has now been issued. Objections to the proposal can be raised until 28th April and if any are received, the matter is referred to the Secretary of State and an enquiry will take place. It was noted in particular that the right of way afforded to residents with properties off Turnpike Lane to access their properties was not affected by the order.

Finally it was noted that the current footpaths officer will stand down in May after the local council elections and two people have expressed an interest in taking on the role.

041.4 Community Speed Watch Scheme

Members noted that following a call for volunteers in the newsletter, insufficient had been forthcoming so it was unlikely a dedicated scheme could be established. It was therefore agreed that the police be asked to conduct enforcement activity within the area to deter speeding vehicles.

042/2023

Planning Matters

042.1 Current applications

- Ref: 224313
Site: Mill Farm, Dinedor
Dev: Erection of a building to cover an existing muck store

Members had no objections to the proposed development.

- Ref: 230344
Site: Land adjacent to Calgary, Dinedor
Dev: Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval 193328 for two dwellings.

Members had no objections to the proposed development.

- Ref: 230359
Site: Dinedor Hall, Dinedor
Dev: Erection of a two bay timber framed garage

Members had no objections to the proposed development

- Ref: 230525
Site: Hill View, Dinedor
Dev: Proposed replacement of existing single storey extension & conservatory with new two storey extension and replacement garage including improved driveway and highway access

Members had no objections to the proposed development.

042.2 **Planning Decisions since last meeting**

None noted

042.3 **Applications under permitted development rights**

None noted.

042.4 **Update on enforcement issues**

There was nothing to report on this agenda item

043/2023 Dinedor Camp

Members were pleased to note the report on work taking place on the cottage at Dinedor Outdoor Centre which will help to develop the work of the Outdoor Centre. The Clerk reminded members that depending upon the nature of the work, a revaluation for insurance purposes might be necessary once the work is completed to ensure appropriate levels of insurance are maintained.

044/2023 Dinedor Village Hall

Members noted that consultation on the draft new constitution was still ongoing.

045/2023 Support for residents during the cost of living crisis

There was nothing to report under this agenda item.

046/2023 Queen's Green Canopy

There has been no response to a request for further information on this. It was agreed that this be considered further at the next meeting.

047/2023 Local Elections

Members noted that nomination forms are now available from the Clerk or the Herefordshire Council Elections Team in the Town Hall.

048/2023 Refurbishment of Former BT Phone Box

Cllr. Keyse has now written to parishes to make enquiries regarding the use and refurbishment of other former BT phone boxes. A range of potential uses could be considered and this will be discussed further at the next meeting.

049/2023 King's Coronation

049.1 Coronation Souvenirs

Suitable mugs have not yet been identified but there are several options for the working group to consider. This will be reported further at the next meeting.

049.2 Supporting other activities for the Coronation

Members previously noted a suggestion for a village/parish litter pick prior to the Coronation. It was agreed to consider the purchase of litter pickers and hoops for bags at the next meeting.

050/2023 Replacement Village Sign

This item was deferred to the next meeting as the quotation has not yet been received.

051/2023 Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

052/2023 Information item: reports from Councillors

There was nothing to note under this agenda item.

053/2023

Next Meeting and items for the agenda

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 20th April 2023 at 6.00pm in Dinedor Village Hall

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed.

Appendix 1

Dinedor Parish Council

Meeting held on Thursday 16th March 2023

Clerk's Report

The following items are brought to members attention but not the subject of a separate agenda item:

1. Pensions

Every three years the parish council is required to make a declaration to the Pensions Regulator confirming that all duties relating to pension provision have been complied with. Although Dinedor Parish Council has no employees who qualify for an automatic pension, this is still a requirement and has been completed by the Clerk for 2023.

2. Internal Audit

The date for the internal audit has been arranged for 5th May and the auditors have sent through a document covering the areas they will be looking at. The auditor is combining the visit with a visit to another parish so the travel costs can be shared.