

# Dumbleton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 held at Dumbleton Village Hall.

**Present:** Mr J Harmsworth Cowles (Chairman), Mr C Brown and Mr B Thompson.

**Apologies:** Apologies were received from Councillor Hending.

**In Attendance:** David Roscoe (Parish Clerk via Zoom) plus 1 member of the public.

**1375 Declarations of Interest:**

1375.1 No declarations were received.

**1376 Requests for Dispensation:**

1376.1 No written requests for Dispensation were received.

**1377 To approve the minutes of the last meeting 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

1362.1 The Minutes were agreed following the amendment below and duly signed by the Chairman.

1368.2 The landowner confirmed that an existing engrossed agreement between the Estate and DCC had been changed as follows:

The original section of this agreement allowing access via the single-track Hall road and parking in the parkland for up to 30 cars is no longer valid. All vehicles (except those noted below) must use the car park area which is provided by the new agreement between the Estate and DCC

This agreement will now only allow access via the single-track Hall road and parking in the parkland for specific vehicles (those belonging to members of the group colloquially known as “the Bench committee”)

This agreement will allow access via the single-track Hall road and parking in the parkland for one day in each calendar year for all public vehicles associated with the annual fete organised by Dumbleton Cricket Club – the agreement does not explicitly state this but this has been verbally agreed between the parties.

No other vehicles associated with DCC will be allowed to use the single-track Hall road or park in the parkland

**1378 County Councillors Report:**

1378.1 No report.

**1379 Borough Councillors Report:**

1379.1 No report.

**The Parish Council Meeting was suspended for the period of Public Question Time.**

**1380 Clerk’s Report:**

1365.1 The Clerk’s Report was reviewed and updated.

**1381 Finance:**

1381.1 **It was resolved that** the following payments had been made since the last meeting. Payment of these were approved. Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Thompson. Unanimous.

Date	Payee	Cheque No	Amount inc VAT £	VAT £	Description
21/01/2024	Netwise UK	OB305	110.36	18.39	Web Hosting
21/01/2024	Netwise UK	OB306	132.00	22.00	Web Hosting
21/01/2024	Geosphere (Parish Online)	OB307	64.80	10.80	Parish Mapping
24/01/2024	S Brown (Nov/Dec)	OB308	120.00	0.00	Spped Sign Maintenance
24/01/2024	Signs of Cheshire Ltd	OB309	15.60	2.60	Noticeboard Keys
12/01/2024	D Roscoe (Clerks Salary)	DD	553.41	0.00	Clerks Salary
12/02/2024	D Roscoe (Clerks Salary)	DD	553.41	0.00	Clerks Salary
02/02/2024	PCC Dumbleton	OB310	190.00	0.00	Grant
22/01/2024	ICO	DD	35.00	0.00	Information Commissioner
07/02/2024	DVH	OB311	20.00	0.00	Hall Hire
24/02/2024	JRB Enterprises	OB312	327.60	54.60	Dog Bags
12/03/2024	D Roscoe (Clerks Salary)	DD	553.41	0.00	Clerks Salary
21/03/2024	D Roscoe (Clerks Expenses)	OB313	114.86	0.00	Clerks Expenses

**These minutes have yet to be approved by the Parish Council.**

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- 1381.2 **It was resolved that** the Financial Statement be accepted. Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Thompson. Unanimous.
- 1381.3 **It was resolved that** the clerk's salary and expenses be approved. Proposed Councillor Harmsworth Cowles, seconded Councillor Thompson. Unanimous.
- 1381.4 The budget and bank reconciliation for 2023/24 was reviewed and approved.
- 1381.5 Councillors Brown and Thomson be added as bank signatories.

### 1382 Planning:

- 1382.1 An update of the current Planning Applications was reviewed and the following comments were made on current outstanding applications:

Appl Number	Location	Description	Result
23/01103/FUL	Ivy Cottage Main Street Dumbleton Evesham	Erection of detached, single storey oak framed 2 bay garage.	Permit
24/00142/TCA	Maybole Dairy Lane Dumbleton Evesham	T1 Bay - Trim by 0.5m T2 Conifer Ball - Trim T4 Pine - Trim tops by 0.5m T5 Purple Maple - Reduce to old points by 0.5m T9 Weeping Birch (front garden) - Trim re-growth by 0.5m	No objections

### 1383 To discuss Highways issues.

- 1383.1 It was reported that there were serious potholes opposite Church Cottage, Dumbleton. Councillor Thompson will provide photographs and location coordinates.
- 1383.2 It was reported that there where a large group of potholes along Beckford Road, Dumbleton due to damage from agricultural vehicles. Councillor Thompson will provide the clerk with photos and location coordinates. This may have to be reported to the landowner who may be Day's or Dumbleton Estate.
- 1383.3 It was reported that tree branches were obscuring the 30 mph signs in Dumbleton, Councillor Thompson will provide the clerk with photographs and location coordinates.

### 1384 To review the Risk Register.

- 1384.1 It was reported that the lamp above the defibrillator in Dumbleton needs replacing. **Action:** the clerk will contact Paul Hopkins.

### 1385 To discuss the Neighbourhood Plan kick-off meeting and creation of team.

- 1385.1 **It was agreed** to arrange a kick-off meeting with the Parish and ask for volunteers.
- 1385.2 Councillor Harmsworth Cowles will ask Andrea Pellegram to organise the meeting and leaflets will be produced.

### 1386 To agree the purchase of a new storage unit for the grit spreader and grit bags.

- 1386.1 **It was agreed that** a donation of £200 be approved to the Village Hall towards a storage unit which can be used by the Parish Council. Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Thompson. Unanimous.

### 1387 To agree grass cutting contract.

- 1387.1 **It was agreed that** the grass cutting contract with Chris Newman be approved. Proposed Councillor Harmsworth Cowles, seconded Councillor Brown. Unanimous.

### 1388 To discuss proposed new car parking at Dumbleton Cricket Club and responses from TBC.

- 1388.1 It was confirmed that the Parish Council had sent a response regarding the new car park to TBC Enforcement as work had already been undertaken at the site.
- 1388.2 Enforcement has confirmed that it is looking into this and requested a summary of the extent of the work undertaken.

### 1389 To discuss contact with the Eyres Monsell Trust regarding future use of the out-of-use school building in Dumbleton

- 1389.1 It was noted that the school building road and access had passed back to the Eyres Monsell Trust.
- 1389.2 It was understood that the work that had been undertaken so far was thought to GCC making good the repairs to the the property as per the end of lease requirements.
- 1389.3 It was agreed that the Parish Council would open a dialogue with the Trust at the appropriate time to try and find out what the building could be used for.

**The meeting closed at 8.46pm.**

**Date of Next Meeting: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024, commencing at 7.30pm. This will also be the AGM and Annual Parish Meeting.**