

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday 1st February 2023 at 10:00am at Datchworth Church Hall**

Present: Councillors:

Anne Barker, Tracy Chapman, Katy Feldman, James Garrod,
Charlie Groves, Mark Light.

To move that under Section 100(A)(4) of the local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of item **2417b** and **2417c** of the agenda, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A of the said Act of the following description: in that it provides details of confidential Legal Matters.

Resolved: Cllr Groves proposed agreement for the discussion of items 2417b and 2417c to be held under Press and Public be excluded, seconded Cllr Chapman

Votes: For, Unanimous

Motion Carried

Item No	Item Description	
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2413	1. To nominate the Chair for the meeting	
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Resolved: Cllr Groves was nominated to chair the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Barker Seconded Cllr Feldman

Votes: For, Unanimous

Motion Carried

2414	2. To receive and accept apologies for absence	
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Apologies received from Cllrs Dodson, Cllr Stowe, Cllr Little and Cllr Hill

2415	3. Interests	
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2415 a	To receive declarations of interests from Councillors on items on the agenda Declarations received from Cllr Chapman relating to the Flagpole as the Donor is known to her. Declaration also received from Cllr Garrod regarding Sports Club membership.	
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2399b	To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests None	
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2399c	To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate None	
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2416	4. Public open session – up to 15 minutes where the public can ask questions of the Council	No Public present
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2417	5. CLIP Group (Compliance, Legal Issues, Insurance and Policies) Cllrs Barker, Chapman, Dodson, Hill and Stowe)	
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2417a	To discuss and consider charitable status of Village Hall (PPE) Details of the charitable status were discussed ahead of an informal meeting with two Councillors and the Management committee.	
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2417b	Update on land adjacent to 10 Datchworth Green including letter received from resident regarding proposed legal action against Datchworth Parish Council (PPE) Options from the Working group were discussed and concluded.	
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2418	6. Planning (Cllrs. Chapman, Dodson & Groves)	
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To consider planning applications received **(available to view online)**

Datchworth Sports Club 3/22/2696 FUL

Resolved: Councillors discussed that as the Landlords the Sports Club did not consult with DPC before applying for planning permission as per their lease. However, DPC are not against an improvement to the building but the building will encroach on another Landlords land. DPC need to discuss this with the Sports Club and get legal advice.

DPC are also concerned that the `Bi Fold door to the front of the building will act like a speaker and amplify sound. DPC also question that 62 parking spaces are available and require a detailed parking plan to be submitted.

Resolved:: Cllr Feldman proposed to support planning application with conditions 1 and 2 below, seconded Cllr Chapman

Vote: For, Unanimous.

Motion Carried

1. **Environmental Officers consider the noise impact to surrounding residents.**
2. **A Detailed parking plan will need to be submitted.**

ACTION: Write to Sports Club for a meeting to discuss with CLIPS to discuss the Lease, parking and the number of teams allowed as per the lease. Also, to discuss the building situation in that it will require two landlords.

2419 7. Communications (Cllrs. Chapman, Dodson, Feldman, Garrod & Light)

2419a To consider and agree the acceptance of a donation for a Parish Flag pole subject to agreement of a cost and feasibility study, an appropriate location and appropriate planning permission

Resolved: Councillors thought that a Flagpole would be a marvellous addition to the Parish. It was felt that the Village Green would be the best place to site the Flagpole but as the Village Green is a registered Village Green DPC need to check whether a Flagpole is allowed otherwise an alternative site will need to be considered.

Proposed: Cllr Chapman Seconded Cllr Feldman **Vote;** Unanimous.

ACTION: Clerk to check suitability of The Green with HAPTC or SLCC.

Resolved: Cllr Groves proposed that we extend our meeting by 30 Minutes in order for the Press and Public excluded section 2417 a and 2417b to be discussed in detail, seconded Cllr Feldman

Vote: For, Unanimous.

Motion Carried

Main Meeting Closed at 12.20 pm.