

Westmeston Parish Council

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 6.30 pm at Westmeston Parish Hall

Present: Councillors Cathy Mills (Chairman), Joyce Dudeney, Clare Farrands, Rob Mills and Vincent Tickner
Paul Vidler, Clerk

No members of the public were present.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Councillors Mark Clark and Tessa Haughton.
- 2. Declarations of interest:** None.
- 3. Election of Vice-Chairman:** Deferred to the next meeting.
- 4. Public questions:** None.
- 5. Minutes of the previous meetings held on 16th May 2023:**

RESOLVED: The minutes of the previous meeting on 16th May 2023 were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

6. Financial matters:

(a) **RESOLVED:** Payment of the following invoices:

Payee	Reason	Amount
Tessa Haughton	Defibrillator pads (50% paid by Westmeston Parish Hall)	£59.94
Business Services at CAS Ltd	Annual insurance premium	£316.61
Paul Vidler	Microsoft subscription	£135.36
Paul Vidler	Clerk's pay April to June 2023	£889.30
HMRC	PAYE	£222.20
Paul Vidler	Clerk's expenses April to June 2023	£22.95
Paul Vidler	Second class stamps	£5.44

(b) **RESOLVED:** Payment of the following invoices were deferred to the next meeting as insufficient signatories were present:

Payee	Reason	Amount
Cathy Mills	Church Corner maintenance May (23 rd) and June 2023	£70.00
Cathy Mills	Additional email storage	£8.09

7. Planning:

(a) **Development opposite Westmeston Place, east of Lewes Road and Blackdog Farm east of Lewes Road:**

RESOLVED: Members noted that the appeal against the refusal of application SDNP/22/04495/FUL for the shed opposite Westmeston Place was still awaiting validation. There was no further update on Blackdog Farm.

(b) Inter Parish Working Group on Housing/Eton College Site/Lewes District Council Local Plan:

NOTED: Councillor Vincent Tickner reported there were no further updates on the Eton College site or the Lewes District Council Local Plan.

8. SDNPA Board Elections:

NOTED: Members noted that William Meyer and Vanessa Rowlands had been elected to the SDNPA Board representing parish councils in East Sussex.

9. Ditchling Parish Council Traffic Committee 17th July 2023:

NOTED: Members noted the date of the meeting, and that Councillors Cathy Mills and Rob Mills would be attending. The meeting papers will be circulated to all members.

10. Any other information for noting:

NOTED: Councillor Cathy Mills had been spoken to by a Streat resident about activities at My Little Farm, near Hayleigh Farmhouse, which is close to the parish boundary.

The recently appointed PSCO, Chris Marchant, was unable to meet members before the meeting. This will be re-arranged and a new date circulated.

Councillors Cathy Mills, Joyce Dudeney and Rob Mills have joined the Speedwatch scheme.

11. Date of next meeting: 13th September 2023 at 6.30pm.

Meeting closed at 6.46pm.