

Dadlington & Sutton Cheney Parish Council

Dadlington & Sutton Cheney Parish Council Meeting September 2023

All Members of the Parish Council are hereby summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting to be held on **Thursday 14th September 2023** starting at **7:30 pm** at Sutton Cheney Village Hall, Main Street, Sutton Cheney for the purpose of transacting the business shown below.

Minutes

Attendees

Andrew Copson
Phil Kiteley
Linda Mayne
Valerie Pritchard
Neil Franklin

Simon Rees-Jones (arrived at 19:53)

Apologies: Ambrose Long & John Planet

Members of the public: Three members of the public, Borough Councillor Miriam Surtees & Hannah Pickles Clerk & RFO

Minutes

70/23 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public commented that they would urge the council to press forward with the DNP.

No further comments

71/23 – APOLOGIES

The council accepted apologies from Councillor Ambrose Long & Councillor John Planet.

73/23 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY & NON-PPECUNIARY

Councillor Philip Kiteley declared an interest in item 9.H (79/23 F) Rosebank cutting

74/23 – PREVIOUS MINUTES

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The council agreed unanimously to accept the minutes as an accurate record, these were signed by the chairman.

75/23 – BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- a. The council noted the report sent from Councillor Bertie Harrison-Ruston via email.
- b. Councillor Miriam Surtees attended the meeting and delivered her report in person.

ACTION – The Clerk is to email the Borough Councillor the council's previous views on HNRFI

ACTION – The Clerk is to email County Councillor Bertie Harrison-Ruston in regard to the tree planting project to ask if a large hawthorn would be available for Sutton Cheney.

76/23 – CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk had sent the report to councillors prior to the meeting. No comments received.

77/23 – FINANCE

- a. The council unanimously adopted the financial statements from July 2023 & August 2023.

- b. The council noted the final balance for July 2023 as £9784.43 and August 2023 as £9160.46.

- c. The Clerk informed the council that the invoices for the hire of Dadlington Hall from 2021-2022 for the amount of £180.00 (over two invoices) is still unsettled. The clerk had contacted the Dadlington Village Hall Committee but had still not had a response. Member of the public asked that the dates be sent to him and he may be able to confirm if DNP meetings took place on the dates relating to the invoices.

ACTION – The clerk to email the dates over to the member of the public to clarify dates. The invoices are still on hold until the dates can be confirmed.

- d. The council discussed the proposal from the Finance Committee to hold two meetings per year: the first in Sept/Oct to discuss the budget and precept for 2024/2025; the second meeting in Feb/Mar to review the year's overall finances. The council instead voted to dissolve the Finance Committee with immediate effect. Votes four in favour and two against.

- e. The council reviewed the financial forecast and made no comment at this time.

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- f. The council will arrange an extraordinary meeting for the start of October to discuss budget and precept commitments.

ACTION – The Clerk is to book an extraordinary meeting for Oct 2023 for discussions in regard to the 2024/2025 budget & precept

78/23 – DNP

- a. The council were informed of the continued progress with the DNP
- b. The council unanimously agreed that the Clerk continue to support the DNP with minute-taking and other administration tasks to assist in the final stages of the process.
- c. The council unanimously agreed for the to apply for a further Groundwork grant to finalise the DNP.

ACTION – The Clerk is to contact Colin Wilkinson for Groundwork to give the council's consent to proceed with the grant application

79/23 – COUNCIL MATTERS

- a. The council unanimously agreed to hold the 2024 Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting at Dadlington Village Hall.

ACTION – The Clerk is to confirm the location for the 2024 Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council Meeting

- b. The council discussed limiting the number of benches being permitted on Dadlington Green and asked the Clerk to complete research on creating a policy for this matter.

ACTION - The Clerk is to research what is needed within a policy to present to the next parish council meeting.

- c. The clerk informed the council that the next tree survey will need to be budgeted in for next year. The current tree survey is up to date with no action needed.

ACTION – The Clerk is to contact LCC to get a quotation for budget planning for 2024/2025 budget.

- d. The council discussed mole hills on Dadlington Green and agreed, four in favour, two against, that the Clerk should get some quotes as to what can be done to control the matter.

ACTION – The Clerk is to get quotes for pest control for the moles on Dadlington Green.

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- e. The council discussed the parking concerns raised by a councillor in regard to Dadlington Green. The council unanimously agreed to remove one of the existing signs to a different location to assist with any parking issues.

ACTION – The Clerk is to contact Geoff Cantell to see a price for moving the sign.

- f. The council decided to move the running cost of the VAS signs to the extraordinary meeting in Oct, given its budgetary implications. The Clerk was instructed to complete work on the overall cost of running the VAS signs and how much it will cost to fix the Sutton Cheney sign which is currently broken.

ACTION – The Clerk is to get quotes for fixing the Sutton Cheney VAS

ACTION – The Clerk is to complete work on running/maintaining the VAS signs for the 2024/2025 budget meeting.

- g. The council agreed that the Clerk will be given delegated powers to submit planning comments in the absence of a meeting in line with the following process:

- The Clerk will email out planning applications, with relevant documentation, to all councillors.
- There will be a deadline within the email and comments will be noted by the Clerk.
- Should councillors not respond, this will be classed as a no-comment received.
- Should all comments align, then a standard response will be drafted by the Clerk and emailed to councillors with a deadline for comment before being submitted.
- Should there be a conflict of opinions then the Clerk will ask for an extension on the application and this will be discussed at the next full council meeting.

The council agreed unanimously on the above process.

- h. The council unanimously agreed to instruct Geoff Cantwell to complete the cutting of the Rosebank for an additional cost of £60.00.

ACTION – The Clerk is to check the tender and contract for the cutting of the Rosebank

ACTION – The Clerk is to check the council bank account for an allocated amount of money coming into the council for the maintenance of the Rosebank (£106 funds)

80/23 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(T1) - Cherry tree - Fell Planning Application

Ambion Cottage Main Street Sutton Cheney Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 0AG
Ref. No: 23/00769/TCA | Received: Mon 07 Aug 2023 | Validated: Mon 07 Aug 2023 | Status: Declined to Make – Retrospective voting - No comment made by the council

Oak tree - (T1) - Prune to boundary line of Fieldview Cottage by 3-4 metres

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Planning Application Fieldview Cottage Main Street Sutton Cheney Nuneaton Leicestershire
CV13 0AG Ref. No: 23/00717/TCA | Received: Fri 21 Jul 2023 | Validated: Sun 13 Aug
2023 | Status: Pending Consideration – *Retrospective voting- No comment made by the council*

23/00837/DISCON | Application to discharge condition 3 (WSI) attached to planning permission 23/00089/FUL | Bosworth Battlefield Centre Ambion Lane Sutton Cheney Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 0AD – *No comment made by the council*

ACTION – The Clerk is to add no comment response to planning application 23/00837/DISCON

Meeting Closes 20:59

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