



# DOGMERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Virtual Council Meeting Held on the Zoom meeting platform 8 February 2021 at 7:30pm

### Councillors present:

Cllr Graham Chisnall (GC) Chair  
Cllr Anne Fillis (AF) Vice-chair  
Cllr Sarah Miles (SM)  
Cllr Alastair Clark (AC)  
Cllr Rob Molloy (RM)  
Locum Clerk: Tracy Predeth

### Members of the public present:

There were three members of the public present

### Also present:

Cllr K Crookes (HDC)

	<b>This meeting took place on the Zoom virtual meeting platform, as permitted under legislation that came into force on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020 - The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.</b>	
021/21	<b>Welcome and Acceptance of Apologies for Absence</b> There were no apologies for absence	
022/21	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr S Miles declared an interest in the Planning application at Jane's Cottage Cllr R Molloy declared an interest in the planning application at Acorns Chatter Alley	
023/21	<b>To Approve the Minutes of 11 January 2021 Council Meeting</b> <b>It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2021 be accepted as a true record. These will be signed by the Chairman in due course due to Covid-19 restrictions.</b>	
024/21	<b>Matters arising</b> The Chairman provided an update on the caravan at Janes Cottage and confirmed that no action is required regarding enforcement as it is within the curtilage of the property as long as the caravan is not being used for any commercial purpose.	
025/21	<b>Announcements from the Chairman, Clerk and Members' Questions Received in Advance.</b> The Chairman welcomed Mrs Tracy Predeth to the meeting who will be acting as Locum Clerk for the Council while a new Clerk is being sought.	
026/21	<b>County &amp; District Councillor's Reports</b> Cllr Crookes (HDC) provided a brief update on the budget at the District Council. He stated that there is a deficit from historical finances. The Council is also receiving less income from Leisure Centres and Car parks. He was however pleased to report that funding to support businesses during Covid have been granted quickly.	



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027/21	<p><b>Representations by the public</b></p> <p>A resident expressed concern that the Chairman had not followed its Planning and Communication protocol of the Council by addressing a select group of residents regarding a planning matter. It was felt that this was not conducted openly giving other residents an opportunity to make comment.</p> <p>The Chairman explained that he had been invited by a body of concerned residents to talk to them about the parish council's view of how the particular planning application compared with the DNP and felt it was his duty as Chairman to accept this invitation. He apologised if any resident felt excluded but made clear that he would have been equally happy to accept an invite to talk to the other party involved in the application if he had been requested to do so.</p> <p>In order to address the shortcomings of the old DPC planning procedure then in use a new planning protocol was adopted last year fully reflecting current best practice.</p> <p>The Chairman stated that another resident had contacted the Council to give praise for an excellent newsletter. The Chairman expressed thanks to Cllr Molloy for the production of the newsletter.</p>																			
028/21	<p><b>To Consider the Council's Response to Current Planning Applications</b></p> <p>Members considered the following Planning applications and resolved that their comments be forwarded to Hart District Council Planning Authority.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="260 1211 1366 1998"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="260 1211 475 1249">Reference</th> <th data-bbox="475 1211 742 1249">Location</th> <th data-bbox="742 1211 1082 1249">Description</th> <th data-bbox="1082 1211 1366 1249">Decision</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="260 1249 475 1496">21/00061/HOU</td> <td data-bbox="475 1249 742 1496">Acorns Chatter Alley Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8SS</td> <td data-bbox="742 1249 1082 1496">Erection of a single storey extension to rear of garage, roof extension with room in roof space above garage and brick skin to face garage.</td> <td data-bbox="1082 1249 1366 1496">No Objection Subject to Dark Sky policy in Neighbourhood Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="260 1496 475 1821">21/00025/HOU</td> <td data-bbox="475 1496 742 1821">Harewarren Farm Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TG</td> <td data-bbox="742 1496 1082 1821">Demolition of chicken shed, detached barn, storm porch, conservatory and garage and erection of a two storey front, side and rear extension, and single storey side extension.</td> <td data-bbox="1082 1496 1366 1821">No Objection Subject to Dark Sky policy in Neighbourhood Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="260 1821 475 1998">20/02945/FUL</td> <td data-bbox="475 1821 742 1998">Jane's Cottage Church Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TA</td> <td data-bbox="742 1821 1082 1998">New gated access</td> <td data-bbox="1082 1821 1366 1998">Object  Poor visibility and too close to the busy road. Also the</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Reference	Location	Description	Decision	21/00061/HOU	Acorns Chatter Alley Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8SS	Erection of a single storey extension to rear of garage, roof extension with room in roof space above garage and brick skin to face garage.	No Objection Subject to Dark Sky policy in Neighbourhood Plan	21/00025/HOU	Harewarren Farm Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TG	Demolition of chicken shed, detached barn, storm porch, conservatory and garage and erection of a two storey front, side and rear extension, and single storey side extension.	No Objection Subject to Dark Sky policy in Neighbourhood Plan	20/02945/FUL	Jane's Cottage Church Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TA	New gated access	Object  Poor visibility and too close to the busy road. Also the	
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				<p>rationale for the need for an additional access at this part of Church Lane is not covered in the application.</p> <p>Should HDC be minded to approve this application then the gate should be set back from the road.</p>	
	21/00235/PRE APP	Grace Gardens Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook Hampshire RG27 8TD	Erection of a fully detached outbuilding to the back and side of the property to be used as greenhouse, workshop and field maintenance equipment/garden storage	Object – the application includes description of a change of use of a significant parcel of land from agricultural to domestic with no justification.	
	<p>The Chairman reported that there is a HDC Planning Committee meeting later in the week which will consider the application to provide 2 Gypsy placements at Farnham Lodge. As the Council has previously objected to this application the Chairman will be attending the HDC meeting to speak and strengthen previous objections.</p> <p>There has been a number of planning applications received since the issuing of this agenda. An extension of time for comments will be requested.</p>				GC
029/21	<p><b>Finance &amp; Regulatory Matters</b></p> <p>The Chairman reported that due to the replacement of the Clerk there has not been an opportunity to update all the accounts. The Locum Clerk will present the outstanding bank reconciliations at the March meeting. The Locum Clerk will also liaise with Cllr Clark to check and sign the reconciliations.</p> <p><b>It was resolved to authorise payments due.</b></p>				TP/Ac
030/21	<p><b>Staffing Matters</b></p> <p>The Chairman confirmed that a Locum Clerk is now in place and has received a handover from the previous Clerk. The Council expressed thanks to Mr Skellern.</p> <p>The Chairman stated that an exit interview had taken place and details will be circulated by the chair on how the council take these views forward in due course.</p>				GC



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031/21	<p><b>Environment</b></p> <p>Cllr S Miles circulated a paper to members which identified all the ditches and verges within the parish and associated works required.</p> <p>It was summarised that in the main the ditches in the village seem to be working effectively. The priority work seems to be rodding of all pipes on Chatter Alley, addressing the issues near Brooks/Acorns and the ditches &amp; verges between the School &amp; Troquain on Chatter Alley South.</p> <p>Members agreed with the assessment of the ditches and suggested that contact should be made with Thames Water and the Environment Agency with respect to the issue at Brook's and the Pumping Station.</p> <p>It was also agreed that there would be a review of the status of Ditches and Verges once a quarter to update the overall plan.</p> <p>Cllr Miles also circulated a paper regarding the painting &amp; repair of the fencing around Pilcot Green South. It was agreed that a tender letter would be sent out for this work and the quotes would be brought back to the next appropriate meeting.</p> <p>Members thanked Cllr Miles for all her efforts in progressing this matter.</p>	SM  SM  SM
032/21	<p><b>Communications</b></p> <p>Cllr Molloy stated that he had not yet produced a report on the Campaign Monitor and will produce this at the next meeting.</p> <p>Members expressed thanks to Cllr Molloy for the production of the newsletter that had been well received around the village.</p>	RM
033/21	<p><b>Community Benefit Fund</b></p> <p>Cllr Fillis updated Members on the actions taken regarding footpaths around the village, noting that some are exceptionally muddy due to increased walking throughout the Lockdown period of Covid-19.</p> <p>It has proven difficult to identify some of the landowners and it was agreed that Cllr Fillis investigate these using the Land Registry search.</p>	
034/21	<p><b>Highways</b></p> <p>Cllr Miles circulated a paper regarding suggested responses to the Local Transport Plan and welcomed any comments. Cllr Clark stated that he would respond with his comments by the end of the week.</p> <p>Cllr Miles circulated a paper on highway issues around the parish, members agreed that this is an accurate reflection of the matters that need to be addressed</p>	SM/AC  SM



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	Members agreed for Cllr Miles to investigate the use of a Speed Indicator Device around the Parish and identify a scheme to implement them.	
035/21	<b>Correspondence Received</b> There was no correspondence to note.	
036/21	<b>Information sharing</b> Members made no comment.	
037/21	<b>Date of next meeting</b> <b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7:30pm</b> <b>The Chairman closed the meeting at 9:30pm</b>	

Signed .....  
Chairperson

Date .....