

# DAGLINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 7.30 pm

In the Village Hall

1.	Welcome and Introductions by the Chair
2.	Attendance: Councillors Graham White, Paul Lane, Ross Sharpe and District Councillor Julia Judd. Two members of public.
3.	Apologies from Parish Councillor Jocasta Bullock
4.	There were no Declarations of Interest for matters on the agenda.
5.	Minutes of the Parish Council Annual Meeting held on 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 were approved.
6.	<p>Report from Cllr Judd:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Cllr. Judd explained the present position regarding the re-organisation of local government in this area which could mean the amalgamation of our District Council into the County Council as a unitary authority. The concerns from the meeting were that such reform would diminish the importance of the parish when seeking help with requests for action. This is subject to consultation but this is likely to be a fait accompli.</li><li>2. There is likely to be a growing effect of Artificial Intelligence when it comes to business in the future with implications on employment opportunities.</li><li>3. As Cllr Bullock was not present to update the meeting on the visit to Javelin Park incinerator, Cllr Judd said the visit had been most interesting. In particular the way in which waste was separated before incineration and the monitoring of toxicity emanating from the process.</li></ol>
7.	<p>Daglingworth Stream: the footbridge over the stream in the Millennium Field has been rebuilt by Mike McCormick and a vote of thanks to him was taken.</p> <p>Friends of Gumstool stream have asked the parish if they may include the leaky dams into their monitoring programme for Daglingworth Stream. Chair had contacted The Duchy of Cornwall, landowners who are happy with such work so long as various legal points are addressed. It was agreed that Friends be informed accordingly with a view to a meeting between “Groundwater Mike” and The Duchy’s representative.</p>
8.	<p>Planning Matters:</p> <p>Bridge Cottage: an amended design for the foundations has been submitted but the meeting did not accept re changed would improve matters. Chair will write to CDC accordingly pointing out our objection remains. A member of the public</p>

	<p>also expressed concern that the applicants offer to repair the culvert needs a legal commitment to carry out such work.</p> <p><b>Manor Farm building:</b> Chair said he was awaiting further information from Enforcement Officer District Council if she has heard from property owner. Cllr Judd offered to make enquiries as to the present planning situation. The meeting thanked Cllr Judd and added that they wanted to ensure that established rights were not created making a planning permission unnecessary for change of use.</p> <p><b>1-2 The Square:</b> having received an enquiry from a member of the public, Chair said he had written to CDC asking them to investigate the possible replacement of natural stone tiles for reconstituted stone tiles which could have an important influence on the appearance of this property in the Conservation Area.</p>
9.	<p><b>Highways and Drainage Matters:</b></p> <p>High Bank cutting now part of Nic's Mowing contract. Chair has asked for a new quote for the coming season.</p> <p>GCC liaising with CDC over surface water drainage at School Lane and Lower End.</p> <p>The SLOW sign has been ordered and GCC says it should be done before end March</p>
10.	<p>Payments made: M. McCormick £429.41 – bridge repair</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P Lane £189.06 – speedwatch equipment</p> <p>Account balance £21,717.73 including above</p> <p>Cllr Sharpe making arrangements with Barclays to add name to mandate. Ex Councillors have been removed</p>
11.	<p><b>Speedwatch:</b> training completed. Cllr Lane reported on results from survey which showed some speeding vehicles. Radar Gun has been bought so the team can begin testing.</p>
12.	<p><b>No news regarding Parish Clerk.</b></p>
13.	<p><b>The precept increase of 3% has been made to CDC</b></p>
14.	<p><b>Next meeting: 7:30pm, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025.</b></p>