

Minutes of Deanshanger Parish Council Full Council Meeting

Date: Wednesday 18th December 2024 at 7.00pm in the Parish Council Office

Present: Cllr Mullan, Cllr Collins, Cllr Stevenson, Cllr Fernandez, Cllr Higgs, Cllr Walker, Cllr Spencer, Cllr Trupia-Melluish, Cllr Greaves, Cllr Norgett & Cllr Thompson

Absent: Cllr Pereira

Also Present: Clerk Teresa Floyd, West Northants Cllr Ken Pritchard, Police Inspector Davis-Lyons, PFCC Danielle Stone, Rev. James Pennington and one member of the public.

Agenda Point

148. Welcome, mobile phone reminders & fire exits

Cllr Collins welcomed everyone, pointed out fire exits and reminded all to silence mobile devices.

RESOLVED

149. To consider acceptance of apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Pereira

It was proposed and seconded to approve the apologies for Cllr Pereira

RESOLVED

150. To authorise signing of the minutes of the meetings held on the 27th November 2024

It was proposed and seconded to agree and sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 27th November 2024.

RESOLVED

151. To receive declarations of interest

None

152. Public Open Forum

The member of the public was in attendance to observe.

It was proposed and seconded to move agenda item 157 up the agenda.

157. To receive an update from the police liaison representative (PLR)

The PLR sent round the monthly report with no crimes recorded for this month.

Police Inspector Davis-Lyons gave an update on the recent reports around suspicious behaviour at Deanshanger Primary School.

He confirmed that of the 7 reports to the police, none of them were first hand and up to week after the event but the police have a duty to investigate.

He confirmed that there is no evidence that a crime had been committed however the police will patrol the area at school drop off and pick up times to reassure residents.

They will continue to work with the MK Hotel and have asked that the service users avoid the school area at drop off and pick up times and try to use a different bus stop.

He also confirmed that some Social Media posts had been posted by people outside of the area with no evidence to support their claims.

He asked that in the future reports to the Police should be made immediately.
A statement has been issued by the Police and DPC will share on their Facebook Page.

The PFCC Danielle Stone thanked the Police & DPC for the work in dealing with these issues. She advised that she is part of Northampton Town of Sanctuary which supports asylum seekers in the community and is happy to offer advice and support.

Rev. James Pennington advised that Holy Trinity Church would be happy to work with DPC in supporting the asylum seekers.

Cllr Collins thanked all for their attendance.

Inspector Lyons-Davis, PFCC Danielle Stone, Rev. James Pennington & member of the public left the meeting.

153. Update from WNC Councillor Ken Pritchard and consider any action necessary

Cllr Pritchard will be having meetings to try and get the S106 for medical resources spent.

Passenham One-Way system public consultation delayed and DPC will be notified as soon as a date has been agreed.

Foxholes Close grass verges, there will be an onsite meeting on the 10th January 2024 at 11.30am to discuss next steps.

154. Highways & Planning Committee

- **To receive an update for information Purposes**

Update given, for full details see the minutes of the meeting

155. To review and approve accounts, Bank Recs & Budget v Spend for November 2024

It was proposed and seconded to approve accounts, Bank Recs & Budget v Spend for November 2024

RESOLVED

156. To approve payment list for 28th November 2024 to 18th December 2024

A query was raised about one invoice, clerk will review and get back to council on Friday.
It was proposed and seconded to approve payment list for 28th November 2024 to 18th December 2024, with the exception of the queried invoice.

RESOLVED

158. To consider precept for 2025/26

It was proposed and seconded to set the precept for 2025/26 at £119,000 and increase of 3.38% per band D property.

RESOLVED

159. To consider quotes for MUGA

Cllr Walker set quotes for the MUGA, council asked if this was for just 1 basketball post or for 2.

Cllr Walker will check and confirm.

It was proposed and seconded to approve the quote from Reids for 2 basketball posts, funding coming from Springfield Park S106 money.

Clerk asked that work be held off until April 2025 due to budget constraints.

RESOLVED

160. To consider quotes for tree work as raised by the tree survey and other identified areas.

Item withdrawn as second quote not obtained.

161. To consider date for next years Open Air Cinema

It was proposed and seconded to set the date for the Open Air Cinema on Friday 29th August 2025.

RESOLVED

162. To consider action on WNC flooding Protection Report

Cllr Spencer asked if we could respond to this report to include Deanshanger.

It was proposed and seconded to write to our MP & WNC.

RESOLVED

163. Close

Cllr Collins closed the meeting at 8.51pm