

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ABOVE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON TUESDAY THE 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST  
IT WAS BE HELD IN THE DURLING HALL  
STARTING AT 6.30PM**

**077/24 To Record those Present and list any Apologies**

Those Present, Councillors: S Parish – Chairman, K Gipson, S Instance, Mrs. J Tritton, Mrs. L Cronin, N Fursdon, G Worthy and S Bull.

Also present were 6 members of the public and the Parish Clerk.

Apologies were received from Councillors: D Haining and Mrs. J Hollingsbee.

**078/24 To Declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Other Significant Interests (OSI's) or a voluntary interest relating to items on the agenda.**

None were declared

**079/24 Public open Session to ask questions on items of the agenda**

A member of the public who had attended the pre meeting repeated it during this part of the meeting.

The reply from Cllr Instance was that he had taken notes when he went through this, and they will be taken into consideration (see appendix1, page3.

**080/24 Minutes**

**To agree and sign the following**

- a) Ordinary meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> July

These were previously circulated and **agreed**, they will be signed after the meeting.

**081/24 To note the minutes of the committee meetings,**

- a) Planning
- b) Finance & General Purposes

Both committees had seen the draft minutes, and these were noted

**082/24 To hear reports from District & County Councillors**

- a) J Hollingsbee – District Cllr sent apologies, her report was read out.
- b) E Martin – District Cllr – her report was read out as did not attend.
- c) S Carey – County Cllr - no report

**083/24 Finance**

To note and agree any payments made prior to the meeting and those listed

Name	Reason	Gross Amount	Chq No/other payment
J Hickinbotham	Reimbursement Petrol/diesel	£187.95	Bacs 02/08/2024 35555053
Channel Commercials	Job no. 29160 New Banner	£114.00	Bacs
Sellindge V/Hall	Invoice 24/164 Hire of hall	£22.00	Bacs
	Invoice 24/174 Electric	£15.40	Bacs
Cascade	Invoice 934554 Stationary	£119.82	Bacs
Direct365	Invoice 0001888136	£27.05	Bacs

	Excess weight		
	Invoice 0001923278	£100.04	Bacs
Pear technology	Invoice 142577	£60.00	Bacs
Microshade	Invoice 19646	£336.02	Bacs

These were agreed unanimously.

**084/24 To consider the following planning application 24/1203/FH & agree any comments if needed.**

Some residents came to highlight the issues that the application would have in the local area. Cllr N Fursdon to look at it.

It was also decided that an extraordinary meeting of the Planning Committee would be called.

**085/24 Updates and communication, if not already taken place elsewhere during the meeting**

**086/24 Matters of general Interest**

1. Speed watch a gathering in the car park will be taking place on Saturday. The speed watch inspector has said he will get an audit arranged of the crossing closest to the co-op shop.
2. Member of the public wished to give a vote of thanks to those doing Speedwatch.

**087/24 To note the date of the next ordinary Council Meeting & Close**

The next meeting is on the 10<sup>th</sup> September, there being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.25pm.

**Appendix 1**

Notes from pre-meeting to Monthly Parish Council  
meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024

The following questions were raised by a member of the public who attended the pre-meeting.

- 1) Please can there be more transparency on the work of individual parish council committees, so that members of the public have a better view of what business is being conducted. One suggestion was if the individual committee reports can be merged into one single report / or summarised and attached to the monthly agenda.
- 2) Please can the proposed layout and use of the office be made public at the next meeting. The suggestion was made that given the existing Parish Council office is only manned on a part time basis – that some of the space could also be used as a shared public space for example to provide a more suitable alternative to the existing telephone kiosk lending library or as a meeting area for public groups if required. An offer of technical assistance to input and review into any proposed plans was made (and would be free of charge to the Council).
- 3) Please can the Agenda be made available in advance on the website on a consistent basis – as it sometimes is only available to members of the public on the day of the monthly meeting itself.