

DAMERHAM PARISH COUNCIL
on Monday 19th October 2020
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Damerham Village Hall

Councillors present:				
David Crane (Chairman)	Cathy Godber	Glyn Ruth	Richard Major	Phil Stephens
Pete Doherty (arrived at 19.55pm)		Kirsty Anderson	Douglas Connell	Phil Tandy
Members of the public present: 6				
Others present:				
CCLR Heron				
Cllr Ann Bellows				
Mandy Wilkinson (Clerk)				

Public participation:
The following matters were raised: -

- 1) It was reported by a resident that the hedges along The Terrace in East End were very overgrown and need to be cut back – **Clerk to contact landowner.**
- 2) There was a discussion regarding the BT telephone box, BT wish to remove the telephone box due to the lack of use, however following the discussion the members proposed and seconded (8) for the telephone box to be kept. **Clerk to contact BT as phone needs repairing, also the door hinge and glass needs repairing - clerk will investigate if this is the Parish Councils responsibility.**

1. **20/21.193: Apologies and declaration of quorum**
2. **20/21.194: Declaration of pecuniary interests**
Cllr Connell declared an interest regarding planning application NFDC 20/11028
3. **20/21.195: To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 21st September 2020**
It was proposed and seconded for the minutes of this meeting to be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record: all in favour (8).
4. **20/21.196: Expenditure: Invoices received since the last meeting to be approved and cheques to be signed. To be approved - All in favour (5).**
Cheque 871 - Mandy Wilkinson - Damerham Parish Clerk salary and expenses - £263.16
Cheque 872 –Time 2 Display – Parish Pump printing - £126.00
Cheque 874 - SLCC Course – CILCA - £183.00
5. **20/21.197: To consider planning applications:**
 - 5.1 **To receive and comment on applications received:**
 - i. **NFDC 20/11028** – Wath Cottage, High Street, East End, Damerham.
Description: Fenestration alterations to outbuilding for use as home office - Earliest Decision date – 23rd October 2020
After discussion, Damerham Parish Council proposed and seconded (6) one abstained (1) a recommendation of PAR3 to NFDC. PAR3 - We recommend Permission, for the reasons listed below:
The Proposed Part conversion to the existing outbuilding would not impact on the character or appearance of the existing dwelling or its local setting.
The internal and external changes are appropriate and well designed so do not conflict with local planning policies DM1, ENV3 and STR2 that need considering for this application.
 - 5.2 **To Review decisions received from the NFDC Planning Authority:**
 - 5.3 **Other Planning Matters:**
 - i. **NFDC 20/10730** – Bramley Wood, Lower Daggons Lane, South End, Damerham – Erect a detached triple garage.
No decision has been made as yet from NFDC – Time extension until October 2020

- ii. **NFDC 20/10607** – Manor Farm, Cornpits Lane, Damerham – Use of land for seasonal camping for up to 75 days per year; retention of toilets and showers on a permanent basis.
Update: A full Ecological Survey has now been done and reveals no negatives regarding waste water, nutrient run offs or environmental impacts. The final date for a decision seems now to be November 12th 2020. **Councillor Heron will contact NFDC planning for an update**

6. 20/21.198: Planning presentation by Councillor Ann Bellows.

Cllr. Bellows gave a presentation on planning, giving Parish Councillors an insight into the training and information that Councillors on the NFDC Planning Committee receive from planning officers. She gave some examples of how Parish and Town Councils can have a positive influence on planning decisions in their area by undertaking local research and using local knowledge to support their decisions on individual planning applications.

Cllr. Crane thanked Cllr. Bellows on behalf of the Parish Council for her interesting and useful presentation.

7. 20/21.199: Proposed Government Planning Changes:

Cllr. Crane used the summary of the proposed Government Planning Changes prepared by HALC to identify key points of relevance to the Parish Council. The proposed changes are at a White Paper stage and will be subject to amendment.

The issue of building future affordable housing was discussed with particular relevance to the village. It was agreed that the matter required further consideration by the Parish Council.

8. 20/21.200: Damerham Village Plan:

Cllr. Crane revisited the Damerham Village Plan produced in 2007. Many of the planned objectives contained in that Plan had been addressed over the intervening years, however there are some which are still to be achieved, in particular those of affordable housing and the production of a Village Design Statement.

Cllr. Heron explained that a Village Design Statement can be used as a supplementary planning document when considering individual planning applications and as such is a valuable tool for the Parish Council. He advised that there may be professional help and support available within NFDC if the Council wished to embark on producing a Design Statement. Following discussion, it was agreed that the matter required further consideration by the Parish Council.

9. Correspondence: All correspondence has been forwarded to Councillors prior to the meeting.

10. Date of next Meeting:

Monday 16th November 2020 @ 7.30pm – Damerham Village Hall

The meeting closed at 21.05pm .