Little Downham Parish Council

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MINUTES of the Full Council Meeting
held at Pymoor Social Club on Thursday 9th June 2022 at 7.30pm.

Councillors present: Cllrs D Parson (Chairman), J Barker, R. Maxey, P. Spofforth, G. Taylor, O. Winters, K Hills, A Butcher
Parish Clerk: Ms K Palmer, Clerk to the Council
Other attendees: 32 members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and read a short statement to members of the public present that Council were aware of the matter relating to Willow Farm and a licensing application for an entertainment licence. It was confirmed that residents present could comment during the public participation section of the meeting. The Chairman agreed to bring the public participation session forward to the start of the meeting.

MINUTES

1	042/22	**Apologies for Absence:** Mark Taylor – accepted.
2	043/22	**Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Taylor – Prejudicial Interest – Willow Farm Cllr Parson – Personal Interest – Willow Farm
3	044/22	**Minutes of Last Meeting** – To consider the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2022. RESOLVED to aceept the minutes – P – RM S – KH Peter Abstained Owen Abstained
4	045/22	**Election of Vice Chair for Municipal Year 2022/23** DP nominated RM, GT seconded – Cllr Maxey was honoured to accept.All in favour except Owen.
5	046/22	**To meet with James Hobson from ECDC Ref: Chettisham Meadow and fly tipping.** Mr Hobson spoke to Council about the problem with fly tipping at the meadow. In CCC it is at 5-year low given efforts to ensure waste disposal facilities in the area are improved. However, this site is quite badly impacted and asked Council if they could see a way to move a CCTV camera from the Recreation Ground to the Meadow entrance with signage or install a gate as a barrier. Members discussed the options and aired concerns about a gate. There were also concerns about the cost of a CCTV camera and monitoring being a burden on the PC's budget. Cllr Maxey proposed this be on the agenda for the next meeting, talk to CCC for the cost of the gate and a camera. GT seconded the proposal. All in favour.
6	047/22	**Public Participation –** *To adjourn the meeting to hear from residents present to a maximum of 10 minutes and Councillors that have declared prejudicial interests, to address the meeting in relation to items on this agenda. Subsequently, the meeting may be interrupted at the Chairman's discretion for public comments relating to a specific item.* MOP – If a marquee went up would they need planning permission as it's not a permanent structure? If a licence was agreed would that lead to further licenses being issued? MOP – works early mornings and is concerned that late night music will affect his ability to work safely. MOP – lives close to the site and is very concerned about disturbance from noise and disruption and the impact to the quality of life.

		MOP – why was it a surprise to everyone? MOP – can it be logged that lots of residents attended the meeting and asked that it go on social media to warn other residents throughout both villages and encourage them to have their say.
7	048/22	**Finance:** i) To consider the monthly payments schedule as presented. P – RM S – GT All in favour except Owen. Request to know the reserves. ii) To consider a request for grant funding from CamSar. P to give them £300 by KH, Seconded by AB – all in favour. iii) To approve the accounts for 2021/22 – deferred to the next meeting.
8	049/22	**County and District Councillor Reports:** i) County Councillor Report – Cllr Dupre invited Cllrs questions. Cllr Butcher asked her what her response was to the EA letter received about the 100-foot bank. She was of the view that there needs to be a continued and persistent approach to dealing with this matter. There is hope that DEFRA will step in and support the case against the EA. Cllr Butcher was concerned about the length of time taken to get this far. Cllr Winters advised that he had attended the recent IDB meeting and had been informed that the EA are drilling down 40 feet into the river. Cllr Parson advised this had already been reported. Cllr Winters stated that a no-confidence vote in the EA was needed from all agencies involved. Cllr Barker asked if DEFRA were the highest body who could be involved? Cllr Dupre advised the Office of Environmental Protection have been kept in the loop but not yet been invited to intervene. Cllr Spofforth asked if the EA was a government department? LD advised it isn't but is a government body that comes under DEFRA. ii) District Councillor Report – Cllr Bailey was not present.
9	050/22	**Clerks Report:** The Clerk advised the FA grant application was due to be considered by the end of the week.
10	051/22	**Planning Applications/Decisions/Appeals:** Please see list below with responses from Council.
11	052/22	**Council Matters** i) Request to deploy a CCTV camera to Chettisham Meadow for ECDC
12	053/22	**Parish Council Land and Assets** i) All Weather Court Refurbishment – update. ii) Basketball Court Update - iii) Tree Survey – in process iv) Play Area Safety Inspections – To consider the quote from D. Bracey for £156.00 to inspect both play areas and the MUGA. P – AB, S – RM – all in favour. OW abstained.
13	054/22	**Parish Matters** i) Pymoor Village Sign –
14	055/22	**Highways Matters** i) Black Bank Road – The Clerk advised this is not being put forward by CCC anymore. Clerk to NFA. ii) LHI Scheme, B4114 – update
15	056/22	**Ouse Washes:** Rolling item to update and inform Council. – Cllr Butcher advised that there is a meeting tomorrow with interested parties to discuss the EA investigation.
16	057/22	**Internal Drainage Board:** Rolling item to update and inform Council. See County Cllrs report.

17	058/22	**Review and Adopt LDPC Co-Option Policy** Page 1, Para 2 – Dorset. Appendices. P – PS S – RM – subject to amendments. OW abstained.
18	059/22	**Matters to Share or Inform the Next Meeting:** July Agenda – Ross's application – Clerk to ask ECDC what representation the PC can make. Year End accounts Clerks mobile phone Cleaning the play area in Pymoor – Clerk to write to Social Club New Benches – Clerk to order them and have them delivered to Long Farm to be assembled and positioned in the new places. Cllr Butcher asked for a discount. Letter from ECDC climate action network requesting PCs to discuss 5 key things. Social Club payments Village Hall representative for the PC. – TO consider putting Owen Winters on.
19	060/22	**Date of Next Meeting –** Annual Meeting of the Parish – 27th June 2022, Little Downham Village Hall July Full Council – 7th July 2022 – Pymoor Social Club **Please see the website for meeting location details www.littledownham.net** **Press and Public Welcome**

Meeting Closed at 21:46