



DUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Duston Parish Council
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FULL COUNCIL MINUTES
THURSDAY 12th JANUARY 2023 7PM

CHAIR: P Enright-King

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Ennis-Clark, Golby, Ingram, Liddon, Maitland, Mumford

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gary Youens – Clark

Ryan Ikavnieks – Assistant Clark

126/23. To receive apologies for absence

- Apologies were received from Cllrs Barnes, Bottwood, Hinch, Roper and Stonehouse.

127/23. To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 1st December 2022

- **RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st of December were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

128/23. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda

- There were no interest declared

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129/23. Public Participation Session

- There were no speakers from the public present

130/23. Updates from Committees

- **RESOLVED:**
 - a) That the report in the form of draft minutes from the Environment Committee was noted.
 - b) That the report in the form of draft minutes from the Planning Committee was noted.

131/23. General Power of Competence

- **RESOLVED:**
 - a) To note that Duston Parish Council meets the conditions of Eligibility to exercise the power of General Powers of Competence set out by The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012.
 - b) That the council agree to use General Powers of Competence as the power of first resort.

132/23. Budget and Council Tax Precept 2023/24

- **RESOLVED:**
 - a) That the draft budget for 2023/2024 was approved.
 - b) That the council tax precept demand for 2023/24 of £597,451 was approved.

133/23. Corporate Risk Assessment for 2023/24

- **RESOLVED:** That the Corporate Risk Assessment for 2023/24 was noted and approved.

134/23. The Grow Together Allotment Sub-Committee

- **RESOLVED:**

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- a) That members of the Grow Together Allotment Sub-Committee, Cllrs Ennis-Clark, Ingram and Golby, was noted.
- b) That the Sub-Committee is delegated the task of drawing up the Grow Together Allotment Terms of Reference.
- c) That the Terms of Reference be recommended to Council for adoption with the goal of completion set for March.

135/23. Adopt the Freehold of Allotments, Parks, Open Spaces from West Northamptonshire Council

- **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk has been delegated the responsibility to oversee the freehold transfer to Duston Parish Council of Aquitaine Close Open Space, Bants Lane Allotment Gardens, Berrywood Road Allotment Gardens, Bramhall Rise POS, Brockwood Close POS, Clipston Way POS, Duston Wildes Open Space, Hardlands Road POS, Newton Road POS, Sandly Lane & Alsace Close Open Space, The Green Open Space, Weggs Farm Road, Sandly Lane Open Space, "The Rose Garden", Westbury Close Open Space, Haydown Green, Triumph Gardens Park, Beaune Close POS, Cheddar Close Open Space

136/23. Community Governance Review

- **RESOLVED:** That the item be deferred until the community governance review consultation is in progress.

137/23. Council Meeting Schedule

- **RESOLVED:** That the Council & Committee Meeting schedule was approved.

138/23. Annual Leave Policy

- **RESOLVED:** That the revised Annual Leave Policy was adopted.

139/23. Sound Proofing between Main Hall and Cafe at Duston Community Centre

- **RESOLVED:** That the discussion of sound proofing the wall between the Main Hall and the cafe was noted and that the Clerk investigates with the use of an expert.

Meeting closed at 8:20

