



Chairman: Councillor Sheila Harden

Clerk: Wendy Reynolds

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING

Monday 9th March 2026 at 7:00pm at Hounsme Fields Primary School, Tree Top Avenue,
Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG23 7GJ

Councillors Present:

Cllr Sheila Harden – Chair, Cllr Manuela Gazzard – Vice-Chair, Cllr Julian Jones and Cllr Sascha Mullen

Also in attendance:

Wendy Reynolds – Clerk, Cllr Juliet Henderson, and 2 members of the public

260301	The Chair opened the meeting at 7:00pm.
260302	Apologies <u>RECEIVED</u> apologies from Cllr Liz Nelson.
260303	Declarations of interest <u>RECEIVED</u> no declarations of interest.
260304	Minutes To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Dummer Parish Council Ordinary meeting held on Monday 9 th February 2026. <u>APPROVED</u> as a correct record the minutes of the Dummer Parish Council Ordinary meeting held on Monday 9 th February 2026.
260305	To open the meeting to members of the public. There was one resident who raised the following item: • The Parish Council Councillor contact page is not forwarding emails correctly. The Clerk will ensure the error is fixed.
260306	Reports <u>RECEIVED</u> monthly report from Cllr Juliet Henderson which can be found on the Dummer Parish Council website. In addition, Cllr Henderson gave the following updates:

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- Hospital Land Purchase: Will only be farmed until the hospital is built.
- School crossing: The current situation is not acceptable and Cllr Henderson will report back next week.
- Surgery with the Police Commissioner and Nick Adams-King in Preston Candover: Many issues were raised including potholes and speeding.
- Adult social services pressure: The increases on adult social care continue to rise and cause concern.
- Children and young people: School attendance records have improved. BDBC are above national average for attendance and below national average for those missing school. Family hubs are being set up flexibly in community centres/discovery centres (rather than fixed centres). These will be run by social workers and family hub practitioners (along with the NHS if needed).
- Tree planting: Cllr Henderson mentioned that the Hampshire Forest Partnership are giving grants for tree planting.

RECEIVED monthly report from Cllr Harden, this can be found at **Appendix A.**

RECEIVED monthly report from Cllr Julian Jones:

- Council elections will be held next month.
- Cllr Jones has concerns regarding the village speed limit which goes directly into a 20MPH zone from a 60MPH zone – a transition zone is required.

RECEIVED monthly report from the Clerk this can be found at **Appendix B.**

260307 Finance

260307.01 Current Financial Situation

NOTED the current financial situation and the reconciliation of the bank balance. This can be found at **Appendix C.**

260307.02 Payment Requests

To approve requests for payments for March 2026.

APPROVED payments requests for March can be found at **Appendix D.**

260308 Disaster/Emergency Plan for Dummer

Cllr Gazzard has started to assemble an emergency plan. The plan in development currently concentrates on just the village as the management companies have an onus on them to cover the new developments.

This item will remain as a standing agenda item.

260309 Remus Budget Delay

Cllr Mullen has been given no updates on the delay. He will be contacting Remus again and then escalating the issue. Cllr Mullen will report back next month.

260310 Recreation Ground

260310.01 Bank Accounts

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The Recreation Ground bank account is now being charged a monthly fee. Cllr Jones advised that they can't have a charitable status as it currently comes under the Parish Council.

ACTION Cllr Nelson and Cllr Jones to split the accounts from the Parish Council. The Parish Council have agreed to relinquish the accounts to the Dummer Recreation Ground Committee and its Trustees.

260310.02 Constitution/Trust Deed

There will be an AGM for the Recreation Ground at the end of March. Wendy Gay has re-written the constitution and Trust documents.

260311 Clerk's Phone

AGREED to purchase a replacement phone at a cost of no more than £300

260312 To discuss any items of parish maintenance

260312.01 Fencing around the pond, Up Street

Quotes will be brought to council next month.

260313 Planning Applications

260313.01 Ref: 25/O2110/FUL

Location: Kennel Farm, Kennel Farm Cottage Beggarwood Lane Dummer Hampshire RG23 7LW

Proposal: Erection of new timber single storey stable block and change of use of paddock from agricultural land for keeping / grazing of horses.

NO OBJECTION

260313.02 Ref: 25/O2016/LBC

Location: Dummer Down House Duxford Lane Dummer Basingstoke Hampshire

Proposal: Retention of works to remove 10 no. existing windows and 1 no. door and replacement with slimline double glazed timber units. Retention of works to remove existing gypsum plaster in the attic and re-plastering in lime.

NO OBJECTION

260314 Date of next meeting

AGREED that the date of the Ordinary Meeting shall be held on Monday 13th April 2026

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:29pm

Signed: _____ (Sheila Harden, Chair)

Appendix A

Chair's Report – March 2026

Discussions with HCC Highways, assisted by Damian Hinds MP and Cllr Henderson have clarified that any actions to protect Dummer Village from rat running and construction traffic during the construction phase of Oakdown Farm are considered to be a very low priority and no further consideration will be given to the matter until, possibly, when the roundabout is built.

DPC is investigating a bid for some additional protective signage or constructions for the village, but it will have to be at our own expense. This will be to Community Funded Infrastructure (CFI) programme run by HCC. It is conceivable that some advisory signage relevant to the school could be funded under this scheme.

The DPC been supporting the Borough Councillor and Cllr Henderson over road works needed in relation to the school and the promised links between the two developments and the A30. The crossing installation on the A30 has been scheduled for the 18th May 2026

The DPC is delighted that the bid by Bradley Carter and the staff of Hounsme Fields Primary School for the work on their outside play areas was successful and we have been able to award them £100,000 from CIL to complete the work. The school will be an important focus for the community until the community centres are built.

Following on from the Dummer Housing Survey I spoke at an Action Hampshire zoom meeting outlining our experience of working with them on the survey and have been answering queries from other PCs about the process.

A response to the NPPF consultation has been prepared and will be submitted by the deadline tomorrow. Amongst the major concerns are the withdrawal of funding for Neighbourhood Plans. Whilst BDBC is plugging the gap it calls into question the Government's commitment to local input into planning decisions going forward. BDBC has commissioned a Water Cycle Study from JBA Consulting which indicates that South East Water cannot sustain the rate of growth demanded by the Governments NPPF update. They are drawing this to the attention of the Environment Agency with serious concern being raised about chalk streams.

Andrew Farquhar has made available a more detailed, revised concept for the land adjacent to Glebe Close. For more information and a copy please contact GuildOak direct on andrew@guildoak.co.uk. No decision has yet been taken on the current application which has been submitted. This concept has not been submitted as a plan.

Appendix B

Clerks Report – March 2026

- The Clerk is now preparing for year end and the AGAR process
- The Council's Biodiversity Policy is being written.
- The last VAT refund claim will be submitted at the end of March.
- The Lengthsmen scheme will continue into 2026/2027.
- Newsletter is in production and will be issued before Easter.
- Remus have found the Hounsme Fields noticeboard and have got a works order to install it.

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Appendix C

5 March 2026 (2025-2026)

Dummer Parish Council

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

A	Bank Reconciliation at 28/02/2026		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2025		231,940.64
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2025 - 28/02/2026		297,452.06
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2025 - 28/02/2026		529,392.70 71,571.45
	Cash in Hand 28/02/2026 (per Cash Book)		457,821.25
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 31/01/2026	0.00	
	Current Account 28/02/2026	3,530.30	
	Deposit Account 28/02/2026	34,456.84	
	Development Control Account 28/02/2026	1,497.93	
	CIL Account 28/02/2026	418,336.18	
			457,821.25
	Less unrepresented payments		
			457,821.25
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
	Adjusted Bank Balance		457,821.25
	A = B Checks out OK		

Signed: _____ (Sheila Harden, Chair)

Dummer Parish Council
PAYMENTS LIST

05 March 2026 (2025-2026)

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Payment Ref.	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
107	Administration	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Bank charges	Bank Charges	Lloyds Bank	X	4.25		4.25
108	Repairs and Maintenance	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	SID - Spare Mount	SID Brackets	ElanCity Ltd	S	40.81	8.16	48.97
112	Salaries and Allowances	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	PAYE - Month End	PAYE	HMRC	X	255.30		255.30
115	Salaries and Allowances	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Salary - February 2	Salary	Wendy Reynolds	X	726.71		726.71
110	Administration	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Accounting Softwa	Accounting Software	Starboard Systems Ltd (Sci	S	31.00	6.20	37.20
113	Subscriptions	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Mapping Software	Parish Online - Mapping Softwa	Geosphere (Parish Online)	S	30.00	6.00	36.00
114	Repairs and Maintenance	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Village Maintenanc	Maintenance	James Dodd (trading as Vik	X	75.00		75.00
111	Communications	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Broadband	Broadband	Sky Business	S	27.45	5.49	32.94
109	Communications	04/02/2026	250208.02	Current Account	Vodafone SIM	Clerk's Phone Charges	Vodafone	S	9.95	1.99	11.94
116	Community Infrastructure Levy	04/02/2026	251112	Current Account	Payment of CIL Gr	CIL Grant Payment	Dummer Village Hall Comm	X	2,830.70		2,830.70
119	Community Infrastructure Levy	04/02/2026	251112	Current Account	Payment of CIL Gr	CIL Grant Payment	Dummer Village Hall Comm	X	8,508.00		8,508.00
120	Miscellaneous	13/02/2026		Current Account	Housing Needs Sui	Housing Needs Survey	Action Hampshire	S	1,000.00	200.00	1,200.00
120	Miscellaneous	13/02/2026		Current Account	Housing Needs Sui	Housing Needs Survey	Action Hampshire	X	485.00		485.00
Total									14,024.17	227.84	14,252.01

Dummer Parish Council
RECEIPTS LIST

05 March 2026 (2025-2026)

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Receipt No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
42	Bank Interest	04/02/2026		CIL Account		Interest	Lloyds Bank	X	230.33		230.33
43	Bank Interest	09/02/2026		Deposit Account		Interest	Lloyds Bank	X	15.57		15.57
44	Bank Interest	09/02/2026		Development Contro		Interest	Lloyds Bank	X	0.68		0.68
Total									246.58		246.58

Appendix D

Dummer Parish Council
PAYMENTS (AWAITING AUTHORISATION) LIST

05 March 2026 (2025-2026)

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Payment Ref.	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
119	Community Infrastructure Levy	04/02/2026	251112	Current Account	Payment of CIL Gr	CIL Grant Payment	Dummer Village Hall Comm	X	8,508.00		8,508.00
120	Miscellaneous	13/02/2026		Current Account	Housing Needs Sui	Housing Needs Survey	Action Hampshire	S	1,000.00	200.00	1,200.00
120	Miscellaneous	13/02/2026		Current Account	Housing Needs Sui	Housing Needs Survey	Action Hampshire	X	485.00		485.00
117	Administration	02/03/2026		Current Account	Accounting Softwa	Accounting Software	Starboard Systems Ltd (Sci	S	31.00	6.20	37.20
123	Salaries and Allowances	04/03/2026		Current Account	Salary - March 202	Salary	Wendy Reynolds	X	2,665.51		2,665.51
125	Salaries and Allowances	04/03/2026		Current Account	P30 - Month Endin	PAYE	HMRC	X	73.70		73.70
118	Communications	04/03/2026		Current Account	Vodafone - SIM	Clerk's Phone Charges	Vodafone	S	9.95	1.99	11.94
121	Communications	04/03/2026		Current Account	Broadband - Villag	Broadband	Sky Business	S	27.45	5.49	32.94
124	Repairs and Maintenance	04/03/2026		Current Account	Maintenance - Feb	Maintenance	James Dodd (trading as Vik	X	75.00		75.00
126	Subscriptions	04/03/2026		Current Account	SLCC - Membershij	SLCC Membership	Society of Local Council Clk	X	158.00		158.00
127	Subscriptions	04/03/2026		Current Account	SLCC - Membershij	SLCC Membership	Society of Local Council Clk	X	42.00		42.00
122	Administration	10/03/2026		Current Account	Bank Account Char	Bank Charges	Lloyds Bank	X	4.25		4.25
Total									13,079.86	213.68	13,293.54

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