

DEWLISH PARISH COUNCIL

WARDON HILL FARM, LONG ASH LANE, DORCHESTER, DORSET, DT2 9PW
Amanda Crocker, Clerk Tel: 07855 396073 Email Dewlish@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

Dear Councillor,

22nd April 2025

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Dewlish Parish Council on Monday 28th April 2025 commencing 7.30pm at Dewlish Village Hall.

Amanda Crocker, Clerk

AGENDA

1. Period for public participation
2. Apologies for absence
3. Declaration of pecuniary and other interests
4. Minutes of previous meeting dated 24th March 2025
5. Matters Arising from previous minutes for report only
6. To receive the Dorset Councillor's report
7. To receive reports on the following matters and to agree actions
 - (a) Planning – no plans were available when this agenda was drafted
 - (b) Police, Traffic and Roads
 - (i) Update on 30mph through the village
 - (ii) Milborne Wood speed limit
 - (c) Parish Amenities and Rights of Way
 - (i) Update on the style at Dewlish House
 - (ii) Update on the fence at the Green
8. Finance
 - (a) To authorise the payment of accounts
 - (b) To confirm the reconciliation of accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025
 - (c) To agree the position against budget for the year ended 31st March 2025
9. To consider making a donation of £350 to PlusBus
10. To consider items for the Annual Parish Meeting
11. Village Events update:
 - (a) VE Day
 - (b) Open Gardens
12. To receive reports from Parish Councillors
13. Agenda items for the next meeting – Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting
14. Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday 27th May 2025

Report to the parish council 3/4/2025

Cllr Jill Haynes Chalk Valleys Ward

Dear Clerks, councillors and members of the public,

Please find some information an activity in March at Dorset Council

Best wishes Jill

New Chief Executive appointed.

Following a unanimous recommendation by the cross-party Staffing Committee, we are proposing that Dr. Catherine Howe be appointed as our new Chief Executive of Dorset Council, pending final approval from you as members at Full Council on 10 April.

Dr. Howe will bring a wealth of experience and expertise to our council. She is currently the Chief Executive of Adur and Worthing Councils, where she has successfully led significant financial restructuring and ambitious climate and organisational design programmes. Her extensive background in managing complex organisational change, driving digital transformation, and promoting community-led initiatives makes her an excellent fit for our council.

Key new projects for Dorset Public Transport

Dorset Council has revealed plans to enhance public transport through a series of key projects as part of its Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP)

These include increasing bus service frequencies, launching community transport schemes, upgrading infrastructure, and trialling an electric minibus to promote a sustainable, low-emission fleet.

Find out more: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/news/ambitious-bus-service-improvements-unveiled>

A helping hand through new network

Dorset residents facing periods of uncertainty, short-term illness or life crises such as mental health challenges or bereavement, are being given a helping hand through a new network of support from the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector. The Dorset Integrated Prevention Partnership (DIPPs) network is a collaborative partnership of five organisations working together to deliver a wide range of support to help residents who may not be eligible for formal support from Adult Social Care. The five - Help and Kindness, The You Trust, The Lantern Trust, Volunteer Centre Dorset, and Shelter - are bringing their expertise to ensure people receive the best possible support.

 [Help when you need it - Dorset Council](#)

New accommodation for rough sleepers.

Five new multicoloured self-contained modular flats for former rough sleepers have been unveiled, as charity The Bus Shelter Project and Dorset Council prepare to welcome new tenants to start the next step of their journey towards living independently.

The flats have been purchased by the council as 'moving-on' units, also known as Phase 2, so people who have already successfully engaged in the Bus Shelter's support programme can access the service if they need. The temporary accommodation units are complementing the existing 12 smaller modular units, also known as 'pods', which were placed at the charity's base on the outskirts of Weymouth in 2021

New management company for Enterprise Zone

A new company will soon take over Dorset's only Enterprise Zone, with the aim of creating hundreds of new jobs, boosting investment and growing the local economy.

Creating a new management company will give the council-owned park dedicated resources and extra expertise to bring even more businesses onto the site, with its Enterprise Zone status, the council can still retain 100% of business rate growth to plough back into the economy.

The Dorset Innovation Park is a strategically important site for our economy, but its future success is dependent on us doing things differently to attract the investment needed for it to meet its full potential.

Dorset's Council Plan has a target of achieving 300 new jobs at the Enterprise Zone by 2029 and the company will be tasked with delivering this outcome.

Dorset Council will hold a 100% shareholding in the company and will appoint a board of between 5 and 7 directors, including private sector representatives. An advisory board, including the Ministry of Defence, and a tenants' board will also be established.

The new company is expected to be up and running by the end of this summer and a new website designed to attract new businesses to the park, will launch in next month.

(It's taken a while but I am very pleased to have started the ball rolling on this one!)

Help available for families

A programme to help families focus on positive changes to behaviour so they can provide a safer environment for their children is now covering the whole of the Dorset Council area following the initial pilot from November 2022.

Safeguarding Families Together, which will improve the health and education outcomes for children, has now been launched across the whole of the local authority area.

The concept of Safeguarding Families Together is to embed specialist adult service workers alongside children's social workers, with an approach to keeping children safe in the family home. It is based on 'whole family working' that enables holistic interventions to meet both the child and adult needs by working together and sharing information between professionals to provide the right support when they require it. There is compelling evidence to suggest that this approach to whole family working supports better outcomes for families.

Everyone working with families will be trained in motivational interviewing, a counselling approach which provides empathy and promotes self-belief to bring about positive change with an emphasis on helping the family to use their own strengths. The approach is helping to keep families together and reduces the number of children coming into care.

Dorchester Rural East Neighbourhood Policing Team Crime Report

March 2025 (including end of February)

Dear Councillors,

Below is a breakdown of crimes/incidents that have occurred in your areas during the month of February.

N.B. Any crimes/incidents of a sensitive nature are not in this report, e.g., of a personal nature or which may identify individuals. Road traffic incidents are not included in this report.

- We continue to patrol all areas and are using social media to keep members of the public apprised of our actions.

Dorchester NPT website address is [Dorchester | Your area | Dorset Police | Dorset Police](#)

Our Face Book Page address is: www.facebook.com/DorchesterPolice/

Our Twitter Page is: <https://twitter.com/DorchesterPolice>

Our Instagram Page is: <https://www.instagram.com/dorchesterpolice/>

Dorset Alert messaging system registration to receive messages is:
<https://www.dorsetalert.co.uk/pages/2451/1/Register.html>

Contacting Dorset Police (non-emergency)

Do it Online: [Contact us | Dorset Police](#)

Telephone: 101 *(Calls to the **101** non-emergency number from both landlines and mobiles are free)

To report information to the police with 100% anonymity, contact the independent charity Crimestoppers online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org or call Freephone 0800 555 111

DFCA

Broadmayne Parish Council:

07/03/2025 Suspicious item found in children's play area – (white powder wrapped in clingfilm)

Knightsford Parish Council (Tincleton/West Knighton/West Stafford/Woodsford):

03/03/2025 Report of shooting heard (out of season) Tincleton.

DFCB

Crossways Parish Council:

17/03/2025 Fly-tipping Redbridge Road

20/03/2025 Theft of wheel cover from Vehicle

Osmington Parish Council:

No Reports Made

Owermoigne Parish Council:

02/03/2025 Fuel Theft – Owermoigne Petrol Station

DFCC

Cheselbourne Parish Council:

No Reports Made

Dewlish Parish Council:

06/03/2025 Suspicious male asking for a lift to a train station – left – police area search no trace.

Puddletown/Tolpuddle/Athelhampton/Burleston Parish Council:

23/03/2025 Males on ATV & 4x4 on farm – police attended issued Section 59 (ASB Vehicle notice)

DFCD

Buckland Newton Parish Council:

02/03/2025 Theft of trailer and digger, trailer & wheelbarrow

Melcombe Bingham Parish Council:

No Reports

Piddle Valley Parish Council:

18/03/2025 Dog loose in road near Piddlehinton Camp/Muston Farm

18/03/2025 Suspicious vehicles in Paynes Close. Police attended and spoke to males linked to vehicle.

25/03/2025 Smashed Kitchen Window believe occurred between 02:15 – 04:20

COMMUNITY CONTACT POINTS

A Community Contact Point is a pop-up event where you can speak to me to discuss an issue and receive crime prevention advice. You can also report a crime (incident) or discuss any issues affecting you or your community.

This is a drop-in style event with no need to make an appointment.

The events in Puddletown & Tolpuddle, are linked in with the Parish Council's Parish Meeting. There will be other local organisations and charity there to reflect what is available in the parish. There will be a small presentation from the Council on the work they are planning for this year, they will be asking those present if there is anything they would like to see the Parish Council achieve.

17th April 2025 14:00 – 15:00 Premier Stores Crossways

14th May 2025 18:30 Puddletown Village Hall in conjunction with the Puddletown Parish Meeting

24th June 2025 18:30 Tolpuddle Village Hall in conjunction with the Tolpuddle Parish Meeting

There may be additional Community Contact Point other than shown above, these will be advertised by Dorchester Police on the Dorset Police website and the Dorchester Police Facebook Page.

IMPORTANCE OF REPORTING INCIDENTS

Please report any incidents either via 101 or online via the Contact Us Section on the Dorset Police Website:

[Contact us | Dorset Police](#)

Dorset Police does not have the ability to monitor Community social media groups and valuable intelligence can be missed.

In addition, if there is an ongoing problem, for example anti-social behaviour, I am unable to seek support for additional police resources to address the issues.

Regards

PCSO 6500 Alison Donnison

Dorchester East Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team

Item 8(a)

Dewlish Parish Council Payments Requested - April 2025

Date	Payee	Comments	Folio	Precept £
21.04.24	A Crocker	April 25 wages	BACS064	270.20
21.04.25	HMRC	April 25 PAYE	BACS065	43.00
21.04.25	Barker-Fox	Audit fees 2023	BACS066	62.42
01.04.25	Hugo Fox	Web hosting April 25	DDR1/25	11.99
08.04.25	Hugo Fox	Email hosting April 25	DDR2/25	20.99
Total amount requested				408.60

Item 8(b)

Dewlish Parish Council Reconciliation of Accounts

Balance b/fwd	From 31.03.24		20355.27
Add:	Income year to date		6343.81
Less:	Expenditure to date		6901.79
Balance as at 31.03.25			19797.29
Funded by:			
Deposit account	00260298		757.04
Current account	01230392		19044.50
			19801.54
Add:	Uncleared Income		
			0.00
Less: Uncleared Expenditure			
	Account charges to		
10.03.25	Lloyds Bank	09.03.25	DDR 4.25
			4.25
Balance as at 31.03.25			19797.29
Difference			0.00

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Budget Monitoring for the year ended 31st March 2025

Description	2024/25 Budget	Actual	Balance	
<u>Receipts</u>	-			
Account Interest	75.00	218.81	143.81	
Precept	6,125.00	6,125.00	0.00	
CIL receipts		0.00	0.00	
Misc income		0.00	0.00	
VAT refunded		0.00	0.00	
Total receipts	6,200.00	6,343.81	143.81	0.00
<u>Payments</u>				
DAPTC Subs. + other subs	100.00	159.34	(59.34)	
Insurance	730.00	721.65	8.35	
Training	50.00	367.25	(317.25)	
Wages - Clerk	2,795.00	2,584.80	210.20	
Clerk Expenses - mileage	50.00	97.74	(47.74)	
Bank Charges		8.50	(8.50)	
Office costs	150.00	96.27	53.73	
Postage	50.00	6.30	43.70	
Computer costs- web hosting	145.00	54.96	90.04	
Telephones		241.35	(241.35)	
Venue hire	200.00	0.00	200.00	
Grass cutting	250.00	0.00	250.00	
Audit fees	70.00	71.00	(1.00)	
Honorarium	50.00		50.00	
Defib Maintenance	130.00	135.00	(5.00)	
Contingencies	100.00	82.09	17.91	
Election costs	50.00	50.00	0.00	
Grants	500.00	383.73	116.27	
Bridge upgrade		570.00	(570.00)	
Asset maintenance	700.00	1,054.27	(354.27)	
VAT		217.54	(217.54)	
Total payments	0.00	6,120.00	6,901.79	(781.79) 0.00
Balance b/fwd from 31.03.24	20,355.27		Monies held in bank	19,801.54
Income to date	6343.81	26,699.08		
<u>Earmarked Reserves</u>			Add:	
Election costs	400.00		Income not cleared	
Training	(217.25)		Less:	
Venue hire	400.00			
Grass cutting	500.00			
Audit fee	74.00			
Telephone box maintenance	200.00		Cheques not cleared	(4.25)
Upgrade of The Green	4,430.00			
CIL receipts	2,390.01			
General asset maintenance	704.07	8,880.83	Earmarked funds	(8,880.83)
Expenses for current year to date	6,901.79			
		6,901.79		
Balance available not yet committed	10,916.46	General Reserve	10,916.46	0.00