

Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the forthcoming meeting of Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council to be held on **MONDAY 3rd. JULY 2023 at 6.30pm in Dengie Village Hall** for the purpose of transacting the business ONLY shown on the agenda

KB Money

Kevin B. Money – Parish Clerk to the Council – 27th. June 2023

The Press and Public are welcome to attend

FULL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

- 121/2023** Chairman welcome to the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council meeting
- 122/2023** To accept the resignation of Cllr L. Brown as Chairman of A&DPC
- 123/2023** To elect a new Chairman of A&DPC for the remainder of the year
 a) The New Chairman to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for Chairman
- 124/2023** Apologies for Absence
- 125/2023** Declaration of Interest
 To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda
 Councillors to check that their ROI are up to date
- 126/2023** To approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting of Asheldham & Dengie PC
 To receive and agree the minutes of the last A&DPC meeting held on 5th. June 2023
- 127/2023** Essex County Councillor report - To receive a report from Essex County Councillor
 1) ECC Locality Fund 2023/2024 – Any projects that fits this funding criteria
- 128/2023** District Councillor report - To receive a report from the District Councillor
- 129/2023** Questions from the Press and Public –
 (This session will not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public and press to speak about items on the agenda and to raise other issues.
- 130/2023** Asheldham Residents Group – Update from the ARG and to make any decisions necessary.
- 131/2023** Highway & Public Footpath Issues
 To receive updates on outstanding highways issues and an opportunity for members to raise any new highways issues and make decisions accordingly.
 1) Update on the Asheldham Bends Project to be reviewed by ECC Highways and the LHP Panel and make any decisions required.
 Cllr Scott has replied saying he WILL get Cllr W. Stamp a response. The Asheldham bends scheme has been cancelled due to the cost. Councillors to discuss response to ECC and MDC
 2) Update regarding Asheldham Brook Bridge and to make any relevant decisions.
 3) Update regarding FP10 and FP12 (Ref: 2323005)
 Relating to FP12 ECC states that the roadside fingerpost was replaced on 18th. January 2023.
 If the post is no longer in position, this should be reported by the Parish Council [here](#).
 There is a waymark post defect on FP10 that will be attended the next time someone is in the area, however, Officers are unable to give a timescale for this.
 4) Tarmac on Highway by planters. Reported to ECC Highways ref. No.: 2851512

132/2023 Planning Application/s**23/00487/LDE** - Scrap Metal Yard The Brambles Southminster Road Asheldham

Claim for a lawful development certificate for the existing use of the site to recycle scrap materials

Documents can be found at

<https://cdp.maldon.gov.uk/planning/planning-documents?SDescription=23/00487/LDE>**NMA/MAL/23/00579** - Land At Asheldham Grange Barn Rushes Lane Asheldham

Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission 23/00168/FUL (Erection of agricultural style barn to store tractors and farming machinery associated with the maintenance of the land) Amendment sought: Revision to the elevations to supersede the vertical side cladding and introduce timber horizontal feather edge boarding

Documents can be found at

<https://cdp.maldon.gov.uk/planning/planning-documents?SDescription=23/00579/NMA>**133/2023 Planning Decision/s made by MDC affecting Asheldham & Dengie****HOUSE/MAL/23/00393** - Little Grange Rushes Lane Asheldham SouthminsterInstallation of dormer window. **APPROVE** subject to conditions**134/2023 Planning Appeals affecting Asheldham & Dengie**

21/00045/FUL (Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/W/22/3294829)

Proposal: Erection of 5No. bungalows, layout parking, turning and amenity areas, form biodiversity pond and plant orchards trees and a new hedgerow**Address:** Land South Of Parish Hall - Manor road - Dengie**Area:** NW - **Decision Level:** Delegated - **APPEAL DISMISSED – 16 June 2023****135/2023 United Dengie Councils – To receive an update****136/2023 Dengie Village Sign - To receive an update and to make any decisions necessary.****137/2023 Change of Meeting dates**Councillors to discuss changing the meeting dates from monthly to bi-monthly starting after the 4th. September meeting. Then meeting in November '23, January '24, March '24 to be reviewed in March '24**138/2023 Finance**

- 1) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 30th. June 2023
- 2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2023/24
- 3) To approve the payment of Accounts for July 2023 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements
- 4) Councillors to agree transferring all the Aylett's money of £440.50p and all the Premium money LESS £200.00p to Unity Trust Bank accounts

139/2023 Items for Next Agenda**140/2023 Date of Next Full Council meeting – Monday 4th. September 2023 at 6.30pm****141/2023 Closure of the Meeting**

To Close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

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Minutes of the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th. June 2023 at 6.30pm in Dengie village hall

Present: Cllrs L. Brown, S. Russell, A. Snowdon, MDC Cllr M. Neall and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There were also 1 member of the public present

100/2023 Chairman welcome to the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council meeting

101/2023 **Apologies for Absence** were received from ECC Cllr W. Stamp and Cllr R. Griffiths,

102/2023 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda Councillors to check that their ROI are up to date. **None Declared**

103/2023 To approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting of Asheldham & Dengie PC

To receive and agree the minutes of the last A&DPC meeting held on 15th. May 2023. **All Agreed**

104/2023 Co-Option. Councillors are requested to receive written application for the office of Parish Councillor. To co-opt a resident onto the Parish Council

Cllr L. Brown proposed Co-Opting Mr. David Henson as a Parish Councillor for A&DPC. Cllr S. Russell seconded. **All Agreed.**

David Henson then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, E Consent form and was asked to complete his register of interest form on line at <https://www.maldon.gov.uk/registerofinterests> Cllr D. Henson then took his seat as a Parish Councillor

105/2023 **Essex County Councillors report** - To receive a report from Essex County Councillor No report was given but all emails from Cllr W. Stamp have been circulated to Councillors

106/2023 District Councillors report - To receive a report from the District Councillor

Cllr M. Neall introduced himself and gave his background.

Cllr Neall stated he is going to be more proactive from past MDC Councillors

107/2023 Questions from the Press and Public – First Session

(This session should not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues.

No questions were raised by the public

108/2023 Asheldham Residents Group – Update from the ARG and to make any decisions necessary.

There is not much to report this month due to the fact that it has not proved possible to organise in the reasonably near future a working party to clear more land for the planting of the 420 wildlife saplings.

On Tuesday 23rd May a traffic survey was organised on behalf of the PC so that we have some up-to-date data to use in submissions/arguments with ECC Highways, MDC and others if and when necessary. The site of the survey was on the green next to the Asheldham Village sign, outside the Animal Sanctuary in Southminster Road. The time period of 10.5 hours from 7am in the morning to 5.30pm in the afternoon was covered by volunteers.

Due to pressure of other commitments, it has not been possible yet for the committee to fully analyse the data but the headlines prepared are:

Traffic from Tillingham direction 1,273: Traffic to Tillingham direction 1,481: Total 2,754

For the period, this works out at 262 vehicles per hour.

Further data will be forthcoming as soon as possible and will include individual totals of the type of vehicle eg, HGVs, LGV, cars, tractors and trailers and whether those travelling in the direction of Tillingham came from the Southminster direction or from Green Lane. There will also be data on vehicles coming from Southminster direction and proceeding along Green Lane and vice versa, without actually passing the Village sign.

109/2023 Highway & Public Footpath Issues

To receive updates on outstanding highways issues and an opportunity for members to raise any new highways issues and make decisions accordingly.

1) Update on the Asheldham Bends Project to be reviewed by ECC Highways and the LHP Panel and make any decisions required.

The Clerk read out an email from Cllr Scott regarding the Asheldham Bends. It read

Having further looked into the matter of the Asheldham bends scheme, I can now advise as follows:

- September 2021 - Scheme appears as 'In Validation'.
- December 2021 - Scheme Validated and recommends 'Design Only' (Not funded by LHP)
- March 2022 – Scheme remains on scheme awaiting funding list (panel choose to fund)
- July 2022 – Scheme listed for delivery in Q4
- October 2022 – Scheme remains on track for delivery Q4
- December 2022 - Scheme remains on track for delivery Q4
- March 2023 – Scheme is reported as being cancelled due to road safety concerns.

The concerns that lead to the scheme being cancelled were as follows:

- It was identified during the safety audit that widening the bends would only increase the speed of road users, which would increase the risk of collisions.
- The scheme would require significant land purchase which would be well outside of the LHP remit.
- There would also be a large number of stats diversions required that would only increase the already prohibitive cost.

Despite the fact that this scheme would be far too costly to deliver, the overriding factor is that it would not be acceptable from a road safety perspective.

I am sorry that we could not take this scheme forward, however I trust that the above clarifies the reasons why.

Councillors agreed to send Cllr W. Stamp an email stating that the response received from ECC was not good enough. Stating on their email that the reason to cancel the scheme was down to cost and road safety issues. They also wanted it noted that speed is an issue and required information as to who, when and why was this decision made. The Clerk to send an email to Cllr W. Stamp for clarification.

2) Update regarding Asheldham Brook Bridge and to make any relevant decisions.

No update received, but to chase up the report on the investigation

3) Update regarding FP10 and FP12 (Ref: 2752089)

No update received

4) Tarmac on Highway by planters

Cllr L. Brown supplied pictures of the planters area to have the area repaired with tarmac. The Clerk to forward the pictures and request to Cllr. W. Stamp and MDC Cllr M. Neall to have Essex Highways repair the area for public safety reasons.

110/2023 Planning Application/s

No planning applications have been received affecting either Asheldham or Dengie villages

111/2023 Planning issues affecting Asheldham & Dengie

No planning issues have been made affecting either Asheldham or Dengie villages

112/2023 United Dengie Councils – To receive an update. No further updates received

113/2023 Planning Decision/s made by MDC affecting Asheldham & Dengie

No planning decisions have been made affecting either Asheldham or Dengie villages

114/2023 Planning Appeals affecting Asheldham & Dengie

No planning appeals have been made affecting either Asheldham or Dengie villages

115/2023 Dengie Village Sign - To receive an update and to make any decisions necessary.

A resident spoke on behalf of the Village Hall trustees.

Would like to organise a work party to clear the ditch thoroughly to establish the boundary line and clear the shed, removing the contents and asbestos roof.

Support from PC and ARG volunteers will be required to clear

A future date for the sign to be erected will be provided to the PC

116/2023 Questions from the Press and Public – Second Session

(This session should not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues. Code of Conduct consistent with "Nolan Principles" set out in Appendix 1 and the provisions of S29(1) Localism Act 2011.

No questions were asked

117/2023 Finance

1) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. May 2023

Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. May 2023

2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2023/24

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budget 2023/24

3) To approve the payment of Accounts for June 2023 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements. **All Agreed**

118/2023 Items for Next Agenda

119/2023 Date of Next Full Council meeting – Monday 3rd. July 2023 at 6.30pm

120/2023 Closure of the Meeting

To Close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 7.10pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

3rd. July 2023

Chairman



Kevin Money <theclerk.asheldhamanddengiepc@gmail.com>

FW: Asheldham Bends Southminster division Ecc14918213 06 23

Cllr Wendy Stamp - Member CC <Cllr.Wendy.Stamp@essex.gov.uk>

19 June 2023 at 16:59

To: "theclerk.asheldhamanddengiepc@gmail.com" <theclerk.asheldhamanddengiepc@gmail.com>

Dear Kevin

I am so sorry to report that the Asheldham bends scheme has been cancelled due to the cost.

[malton lhp report april 2023.pdf \(essexhighways.org\)](#) Number 16 on funded schemes.

I have an LHP meeting on 12th July if your council wishes to send me a written response. I can only apologise for this decision but as you are all aware, LHP budgets have been slashed which means we get even less funding that previous years.

I have included the link for all highways schemes for your information. [Maldon LHP Archive and Meetings | Essex County Council \(essexhighways.org\)](#)

Sadly I don't think I can do anything else going forward.

Kind regards

Wendy

Wendy Stamp

Cllr Wendy Stamp CC

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BANK RECONCILIATION

Financial year ending 31.03.24

Bank Balance as at	30.04.23	31.05.23	30.06.23
Barclays Community account	£ 440.50	£ 490.50	£ 440.50
Barclays Premium account	£ 13,400.11	£ 12,888.40	£ 12,585.39
Unity Trust Bank	£ 108.95	£ 108.95	£ 108.95
Total:	£ 13,949.56	£ 13,487.85	£ 13,134.84

Less Unpresented cheques F/R £ 100.00

Total of unpresented cheques £ - £ 100.00 £ -

Net Bank Balances as at **£ 13,949.56 £ 13,387.85 £ 13,134.84**

CASH BOOK

Balance as at 01.04.23	£ 7,761.78	£ 7,761.78	£ 7,761.78
Plus Receipts	£ 7,173.95	£ 7,173.95	£ 7,195.94
Total	£ 14,935.73	£ 14,935.73	£ 14,957.72
Less Payments	£ 986.17	£ 1,547.88	£ 1,822.88
Grand Total	£ 13,949.56	£ 13,387.85	£ 13,134.84
Difference	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ -

Bank Balance as at

Barclays Ayletts account

Barclays Current account

Less Unpresented cheques

Total of unpresented cheques

Net Bank Balances as at

CASH BOOK

Balance as at 01.04.22

Plus Receipts

Total

Less Payments

Grand Total

Difference

Bank Balance as at

Barclays Ayletts account

Barclays Current account

Less Unpresented cheques

Total of unpresented cheques

Net Bank Balances as at

CASH BOOK

Balance as at 01.04.22

Plus Receipts

Total

Less Payments

Grand Total

Difference

A&DPC ACTUAL AGAINST BUDGET REPORT

		Agreed	Total Income /	Left in	
		2023/24	spend to JuLY	Budget as at	
			'23	JuLY '23	
Income	PRECEPT	7065	£ 7,065.00		
	BANK INTEREST	5	£ 21.99		
	AYLETT'S FUND	105	£ -		
	VAT REFUND	0	£ -		
	GRANTS	0	£ 108.95		
	TOTAL	7175	£ 7,195.94		
Exp.					
Staff	Salary	3300	£ 1,100.00	£ 2,200.00	
	Office Allowance	180	£ -	£ 180.00	
	TOTAL	3480	£ 1,100.00	£ 2,380.00	
Admin	Admin Expenses	168	£ 66.69	£ 101.31	
	Audit Fees	80	£ 80.00	£ -	
	TOTAL	248	£ 146.69	£ 101.31	
	Highways Project	0	£ -	£ -	
	Insurance	320	£ 257.60	£ 62.40	
	Churchyard Water	60	£ -	£ 60.00	
	Grass Cutting	1000	£ -	£ 1,000.00	
	EALC/NALC/ subscription	195	£ 100.71	£ 94.29	
	Training	500	£ -	£ 500.00	
	Donations / S137	300	£ 350.00	-£ 50.00	
	Village Hall Rent / Electricity	200	£ -	£ 200.00	
	Election Expenses	0	£ -	£ -	
	Parish Projects	550	£ -	£ 550.00	
	Bank Charges	72	£ -	£ 72.00	
	Website	0	£ -	£ -	
	Defibrillator	250	£ 108.95	£ 141.05	
	TOTAL	3447	£ 817.26	£ 2,629.74	
	GRAND TOTAL	7175	£ 2,063.95	£ 5,111.05	
	VAT		£ 33.93		
	Total:	£	2,097.88		

A&DPC FINANCE JULY 2023 PAYMENTS						
Income:						
Chq No.	Invoice No.	Payee	Cost	VAT	Total	A&DPC Ref. No.
BACS	July '23	Kevin B. Money - Clerk salary	£ 220.00	£ -	£ 220.00	15
BACS	July '23	HMRC - Tax on salary	£ 55.00	£ -	£ 55.00	16
TOTAL:			£ 275.00	£ -	£ 275.00	

