

**Minutes of a meeting of the Drinkstone Parish Council  
held on**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall, Gedding Road, IP30 9SZ**

1. Apologies for absence from Penny Otton were noted and approved.
2. Declarations of interest:
  - 2.1. There were no Members' Declarations of and/or Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in subsequent Agenda items.
  - 2.2. There were no requests for dispensations.
3. The Council received reports from District and County Council Ward Members & Clerk.

There were no specific areas of interest in addition to the reports submitted for review:

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| 1. | Cllr Penny Otton | District Member      |
| 2. | Nicky Willshere  | Ward Member          |
| 3. | Janet Elnaugh    | Planning             |
| 4. | Paul Selvey      | Highways             |
| 5. | Malcom Turner    | Footpaths            |
| 6. | Christine Emery  | Community engagement |

Cllr Emery requested that permission to spend £225 on the Children's Xmas Party be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

7. Clerk report

The Clerk was requested to contact all parishioners to gauge interest in a minibus trial and to report back at the next meeting.

4. The minutes of the meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023 were approved and signed by Paul Selvey.
5. There were no public comment or questions.
6. The month's bank transactions and the latest bank reconciliation were reviewed and approved by the Chair.

a. The following payments were reviewed:

Payments for authorisation by the Council:

	Description	£
UT1	Village hall hire 7 <sup>th</sup> August	20.00
UT2	Daffodils - Rougham Nursery	500.00
UT3	Top Garden Services 1752	92.40
UT4	Top Garden Services 1753	92.40
UT5	Top Garden Services 1754	138.60
UT6	Top Garden Services 1755	308.40
UT7	Malcolm Turner	66.10
UT8	Malcolm Turner	12.95

7. The three planning matters were reviewed and Cllr Elnaugh gave her report. It was agreed that there were no issues with the consultations:

DC/23/03385  
DC/23/03151  
DC/23/03152

The Clerk was requested to update the portal with "no comment"

8. A discussion over the agreement to establish a 20mph within the village was held. Cllr Selvey explained that this was an external initiative brought about by a not-for-profit campaign group. This group is canvassing councils to support the initiative.

This was the second of three debates to be held on the matter. There was general agreement that whilst a reduced speed limit might be desirable the inability to police the current 30mph limit strongly indicated that any revisions would be incapable of being implemented.

Members of the public were invited to offer comment. There was agreement that the corner by the Gedding Road allotments and Chapel Lane was a particular concern, similarly a 20mph zone on Cross Street would be welcomed. The Council agreed to defer its final decision until the next PC meeting on the October 2nd 2023.

9. To confirm that the scheduled date for the next meeting is agreed by Council as Monday, October 2nd, 2023 at 8pm.

10. Close the meeting

Signed: Paul Selvey, Chair

16<sup>th</sup> October 2023