

DURLEY PARISH COUNCIL MARCH, 2026 MEETING REPORT

Durley Parish Council held their Monthly Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 10th March, 2026 in the Ken Stainer Suite at Durley Memorial Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman) chaired the Meeting. Attending were Cllr Watts, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Ellen and Cllr Gillett along with the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins). County/District Councillor Williams and 6 residents also attended the Meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from DC Miller, DC Latham and Cllr Rutherford.

Durley Parish Councillors met with Danny Chambers MP, County and District Councillors and Southern Water representatives to get an update on what work is being carried out in Heathen Street. It was agreed that Updates would be put onto the Parish Council website so that residents were informed of the correct information. Southern Water have agreed to keep us updated. Danny Chambers MP is going to chase up Hampshire Highways to ask when the major work is going to be carried out in Heathen Street to stop the road from sinking. He will also follow up with the funding streams so that Southern Water get the funding required.

The Clerk reported that unfortunately the noticeboard Grant which was applied for from the WCC Small Grants Programme was not recommended for approval. Although this was disappointing, repairs will be carried out to the Robin Hood noticeboard until funding is available. CC Williams will find out when the Grant Application is being discussed for the bus shelter renovations and painting along Durley Brook Road.

Cllr Pitter attended a Police Conference and he informed Councillors that Emma Hart (Lead Co-ordinator) was speaking about Community Speed Watch Groups, speed cameras and cost involved. The cost was £90,000 for a speed camera and there was a £20,000 Grant available towards the cost. Cllr Delmege will download data from the SID's that we use in Durley and then we can send them to Emma.

County Councillor Williams reported that some pot holes which have been reported have now been repaired. An update was given on the GP Surgery in Bishops Waltham.

There was no District Councillors' Report available.

Cllr Watts reported that the Pavilion was fine at the Recreation Ground, apart from a couple of issues. Cllr Gillett has carried out the play area inspections at the Recreation Ground and all was fine.

Cllr Rutherford was not at the Meeting to give a report on The Sawmills.

Cllr Watts gave a Neighbourhood Watch Report stating that there was one public order offence in Sciviers Lane and one assault in Durley Brook Road.

Cllr Rappini gave a Highways Report stating that many pot holes have been reported and some have been repaired. Heathen Street is still closed at the moment, but will hopefully be re-opened shortly. The Clerk has reported fly-tipping in Sciviers Land and Wintershill.

A Hall Report was given. The result of the Grant Application for CIL funding for the replacement of the Hall kitchen will be known on 12th March. If this Grant is successful the Hall will need to be closed for 2 weeks in April to enable the work to go ahead. Quotes will be sought for the clearance work to be carried out on the final section of the Hall car park.

The brickwork has now been repaired where the gas pipes were taken out in the back-stage areas. The re-decoration of these areas will take place when the kitchen work is completed.

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