

Minutes of the COMMUNITIES & EVENTS COMMITTEE on Tuesday 22 April 2025 at 7.00 pm at Parish Council Office, Rear of Memorial Hall, Village Road, Denham UB9 5BN.

Councillors:	Cllr A Hans (AH) - Chairman	##Cllr M Goonesekera (MG)
	Cllr B Keen (BK) – Vice Chair	Cllr G Hollis (GH)
	Cllr S Williams (SW)	Cllr N Abadijan
	Cllr W Davey (WD)	Cllr J Griffiths Heath (JGH)
Clerk:	Jay Mitchener - Clerk	# Apologies Given ## Apologies Not Given

The meeting was voice-recorded.

Agenda No	Minutes	Actions
20250422/01	Welcome & Acceptance of Apologies for Absence Cllr J Walsh (JW) is in attendance.	
20250422/02	Declaration of Interests No declaration of interests.	
20250422/03	Public Session NONE	
20250422/04	Minutes of the last meeting – 3 sets of minutes to be approved. Vice Chair will sign the minutes at the next full council meeting on 12 May 2025.	
20250422/05	Events Memory Café -11am to 2 pm, 1st Friday of the month, 2025. (6 months) Cllr NA arrived at 7.10 pm. 4 April 2 May 6 June It was mentioned that 28 attended the 4th April event, very successful. Craft activities have been introduced by painting flowerpots and making cards with paper poppies, which the attendees thoroughly enjoyed. 2nd May 2025 is booked to visit the COAM, film company will attend. Cllr SW can support on the day if required. A visit was organised to the doctor's surgery to discuss new patients who can join. A new volunteer will be joining the team soon. ACTION: Create a list for volunteers. Cllrs discussed paying a volunteer of long standing £16.00 per hour while supporting the Memory café events. 10 am till 2 pm – 4hrs – All Cllrs agreed. ACTION: Find minutes regarding payment for the volunteer. Forward proposal to Full Council. Afternoon Social and Bingo – 3 pm to 5 pm, Sunday, 2025. (6 months) 13 April 11 May Cancelled due to the 80th VE Day celebration. 18 June April's event had a great turnout of 42 attendees.	DC EC

	Informed Cllrs that the film company is not able to attend the June event, if pictures could be taken, they can add to their footage. Music on the Green dates – 3 pm to 5 pm, 3rd Sunday in the month 18 May – Mandolin Monday 17 August – Chasing Deer 15 June – Eclectica 21 September – The Styles 20 July – James & Amir ACTION: Add a table/DPC flag & banner – Cllrs try to recruit volunteers. ACTION: Flyers to be created. ACTION: Email Cllrs to volunteer their time.	DC FC DC
20250422/ 06	Annual Parish Meeting – Thursday 8 May 2025 - 6.30 pm Memorial Hall booked for 08.05.25. Attending on the day will be HS2 Align, Dog Trust, Colne Valley, Organic Garden, Trading Standards & Neighbourhood Plan Consultants Plan-ET Have emailed Fire bridge, MB, Bosch, Co-op, PCSO, Joy Morrissey MP waiting for confirmation presently. Will send invites to all again. ACTION: Invite the film company ACTION: Will need a summary from all Cllrs. ACTION: Provide the finance report to Cllr SW. Cllr AH is unavailable for this meeting. ACTION: Will use the same set-up as last year and will require a microphone. ACTION: Provide the list of actions for DPC & BC.	DC SW AH DC DC
20250422/ 07	VE 80th Celebrations Event – on Denham Village Green - Sunday 11 May 2025 – 2 pm-5 pm. Event: Lead for the event - Cllr SW - Note Cllr AH away. Confirmed volunteers on the day – Cllr SW, WD, BK & NA. Booked & actioned : 1 x flagpole Denham Village green, 2 x flags to dress the tables, and 1 x flag given to the Chairman for Higher Denham. - Use the display from the last 80 D-Day celebration. 2 x trestle tables, supply water, tea, tea urn, cups, DPC banner, add flags 1 silent soldier to the green. - Band is booked. Start at 2.15 pm/3.15 pm, 4 pm till 5 pm finish. - Ice cream van, fish & chips – Booked. - Bunting installation on the village green quote – All Cllrs agreed. Bunting will be installed on 2 May – removed on 27 May after the Fayre event. It will be advertised on the Colne Valley and Bucks Council events pages. To be advertised on several social media platforms. ACTION: Need to find another petting zoo. ACTION: Get refreshments for the event. ACTION: Send an email to all Cllrs to come on the day. ACTION: Posters.	SW SW DC FC
20250422/ 08	Beating of the Bounds Rogation Sunday 25 May 2025 -2 pm/4 pm Cllr JGH arrived at 7.20 pm. The New Denham community hall granted us parking for 20 cars for the walkers for 2 hours. PG has given us information about the walk and a map, which will be handed out to the walkers. Will advertise this event on the DPC website, noticeboards, social media and Colne Valley in the first week of May 2025. Will give posters to PG to other walkers in Iver to advertise the event. Our handyman will take the table to place the refreshments at 3.45 pm.	

	ACTION: To support the event. ACTION: To get refreshments. ACTION: Posters.	JW AH FC
20250422/ 09	Denham Village Fayre – Monday 26 May 2025, 9 am – 5 pm. Cllr A Hans & AH – 9 am/11 am booked. Cllr WD & BK – 11 am -1 pm booked. Cllr NG - 1 pm - 3 pm – booked Our handyman to set up 8.30 am/set down 3.30 pm outside the village garage, with 2 x trestle tables, DPC flag & banner, bottles of water, milk tea & coffee, with cups and stirrers. ACTION: Email 5 days before the event – buy teas, coffee, biscuits & water. ACTION: Provide the list of actions for DPC & BC.	DC/AH DC
20250422/ 10	DPC Summer Festival –Sunday 29 June 2025 – Martinsfield 3 pm – 8 pm • Working party May 2025. Working party will be Cllr SW, AH, NA & JGH, and will be held via Zoom meeting on 29.04.25 7 pm. MB have given their permission & football teams have been informed about the use of Martinsfield. It was mentioned this time to charge for the stalls. ACTION: Risk assessments will need to be completed. ACTION: Send an Outlook link invite to all Cllrs email for the Zoom meeting. ACTION: Send email with what was booked for 130-year celebration.	DC/SW DC/AH DC
20250422/ 11	Christmas tree lights – Refresh & review all Denham areas. Working party- SW, BK, AH, WD, NA & GH. SJ will support with advice. Look at the new areas - A412 just before the railway bridge, Turkey Oak tree, A40, top of village road. Reassess the original trees and streetlights, Tatling End by shops, Denham Green by shops, the village green, and New Denham. Discussed that DPC will need to look at the state, repair and condition of trees and lights. The working party to do site visits in areas for other options once the assessment is completed. ACTION: Get quotes/assessments for Christmas lights for all Denham areas. ACTION: Email Chairman Higher Denham regarding the lights	DC DC
20250422/ 12	Daffodils – All Cllrs agreed. Discussed that a few more daffodils could be added in some other areas. • Trees in front of the New Denham Community Centre. • Either side of the railway bridge. • Higher Denham. • Skylark Rd – Tatling End. ACTION: Get quotes for daffodils.	DC
20250422/ 13	Hanging baskets -Shop Fronts & Streetlights • Feasibility report – Completed • Flowers, brackets & maintenance for 1 year – quote agreed by all Cllrs. Areas • Oxford Rd x 3 shops for hanging baskets – All Cllrs agreed. • Tatling End – add flower baskets to 6 double streetlights on the central reserve – all Cllrs agreed. • New Denham- add flower baskets to 10 streetlights – All Cllrs agreed. It was agreed by all Cllrs that the costs for all the flower planters' maintenance and the costs for the above will come out of the Community budget going forward.	

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20250422/ 18	Funding & Grants – To Note • Co-op – Results will come in Nov 2025.	
20250422/ 19	Community Payback. DPC used these before COVID-19, this is community service that can support with gardening & ground works, painting, clearance of overgrown spaces, allotments & litter picking. For communities, litter picking would be a good choice, which would support us. All Cllrs agreed. ACTION: Make contact and get more information.	DC
20250422/ 20	Finance • Report attached discussed.	
20250422/ 21	Future Agenda Items • Newsletter September 2025 • Christmas Fayre – Discuss plans – Feb 2025 • Poppies & Silent Soldiers- Install on 22 Oct 2025- Remove 24 Nov 2025. • Christmas tree – Install Thursday, 27 Nov 2025. • Dressing of the Christmas tree 29/30 Nov 2025. • Christmas lights 2025- Switch on 1 Dec 2025/Switch off 6 Jan 2026. • Higher Denham – DPC to supply new lights. • Carols on the green – 6 Dec 2025 • Sunday morning farmers market – First Sunday of the month. • Men in sheds. • Appointing - Events Co-Ordinator.	
20250422/ 22	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 20 May 2025 at 7 pm Denham Parish Offices, Village Road, Denham UB9 5BN	

Jay Mitchener – Clerk
Thursday, 15 May 2025

Committee Members			
Cllr A Hans Chairman	Cllr S. Williams	Cllr M Goonesekera	
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