

DITTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 13th JULY 2026.

PRESENT: Mrs M NEWMAN (Vice chair), N NEWMAN, Mrs A THROSSELL,
J COX, Mrs L COX,
Mrs SALLY CRAIG (Business Administrator)
Mrs SELENA GARDENER (Administrative Assistant)

125. **OPENING OF MEETING**

The meeting opened at 7.30pm.

126. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were **RECEIVED** from Cllr M Porter. The previously notified reasons for absence were recorded in the Absence Book Ref: 617 and **ACCEPTED** and **APPROVED**.

127. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of Members' interests.

128. **FINANCE**

(a) **Financial Analysis – Month 3**

Cllr Newman raised a number of queries prior to the meeting and these were presented at the meeting.

READ and NOTED

129. **BARS**

(a) **Kilnbarn Takings**

READ and NOTED

(b) **Stocktake**

READ and it was **NOTED** that there was a surplus of £181.65 and the stock taker had raised no concerns.

(c) **Current Situation**

Nothing to report at this time.

130. **COMMUNITY CENTRE**

(a) **Martyn's Law**

It was **REPORTED** that a new 'Roadmap' had been published but this did not provide any additional information to what has already been available. The law becomes enforceable in April 2027, when SIA regulators will be appointed.

(b) Community Centre Website & Social Media

Councillors viewed the new Community Centre website – www.dittoncommunitycentre.com

(c) Annual Hire Fee Review

It was agreed to accept the previously circulated price review proposal [an average of between 5% and 8% increase to cover increased running costs].

RESOLVED to accept the proposed hire fee's with effect from 1st September 2026 and that all regular hirers would be informed.

Hire Rate Review - Pre-school

It was agreed that there should be a nominal increase to keep up with increased costs.

RESOLVED to increase the Pre-school monthly rent by 2.85% with effect from 1st September 2026.

(d) Matters Arising

i. Don Carman Hall Toilet Refurbishment

Three quotations were considered for the refurbishment of the Don Carman Hall toilets.

Quotation 1	£30,848.26
Quotation 2	£41,544.00
Quotation 3	£60,251.52

RESOLVED To accept the Quotation 1 from BDS Building & Maintenance Ltd for £30,848.26.

ii. Cold Water Storage Removal & Pressurised Hot Water Upgrade

Two quotations were considered for the cold-water storage removal & pressurised hot water upgrade.

Quotation 1	£7,096.49
Quotation 2	£11,068.00

RESOLVED To accept the Quotation 1 from Phoenix Plumbing and Heating Solutions Ltd for £7,096.49.

(e) Current Situation

Nothing to report at this time.

131. **MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Update on Music Event held on 6th June 2026

It was **REPORTED** that despite the poor weather several acts were able to move into the Oaken Hall and perform. It was **AGREED** to hold the event again next year on Saturday 5th June.

132. **CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 8.22pm.

Chairman
3rd August 2026

