

Denton Parish Council

**All Parish Councillors are summoned to attend a Parish Council Meeting
Monday 09th October 2023 at 19:30 (7:30pm)**

Denton Village Hall

This Meeting will be recorded

PCM 2023-10 - Agenda

| Serial | Item for Discussion/Resolution |
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| 1 | Welcome Address – Council Chair |
| 2 | Attendees Record of those in attendance |
| 3 | Co-Option of new Councillor |
| 4 | Parish Councillor Apologies. Resolution to accept. |
| 5 | Items from District and County Councillors as necessary. |
| 6 | Parish Council Declarations Of Pecuniary Interest. Resolution to Note. |
| 7 | Minutes of Previous Meeting. Resolution to Approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting PCM 2023-07 July 2023 |
| 8 | Public Forum |
| 9 | Parish Clerk. |
| | Report from the Parish Clerk including: |
| | a. Community Cleaner reports. |
| 10 | Parish Council: General. (Update and Discussion). |
| | a. SID and Road Safety. |
| | b. Belvoir Castle events (Forbidden Forest). |
| | c. Denton Parish Charity |

- 11 Play area Project – Update.
- 12 Finance. (RFO)
 - a. Monthly Report FY 2023-2024 . AP08
 - b. Review and Set Precept for FY 2024/25
- 13 Planning Applications.
 - a. New Applications.
 - b. Application Decisions.
 - c. Other planning matters.
 - d. Land Owner Deposits/statements (See appendix 1)
 - e. Issues regarding Saltby Airfield planning application and impact on surrounding villages
- 14 New Business for Next Meeting: Review outstanding business.
- 15 Meeting Close and Next Meeting.
- 16 Closed Session. Staff In Confidence (if Required)

Parish Clerk

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Appendix 1

What is a landowner statement or deposit?

Owners of open space where the public have used the land as of right for recreation, can make a challenge under Section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006 to those rights. (As of right means without force, secrecy or permission).

A landowner statement or deposit brings to an end any period of use of the land as of right for informal recreation. This means that the number of years of use is paused. If the land has been used for fewer than 20 years, a deposited statement prevents the users obtaining the 20 years they need in order for the land to qualify for town or village green protection.

When owners deposit a landowner statement in relation to their land, but recreational use has already taken place on it for 20 years or more, the deposit triggers a one-year period of grace. This gives the local community one year to apply to register the land as a town or village green. The local community cannot apply any later than one year from the date of the deposit.

If recreational use of the land as of right continues after a landowner statement is deposited, a new period of use will begin to accrue. If another landowner statement is deposited within 20 years of the previous deposit, it will again prevent the users reaching 20 years – the clock will be reset to zero years.

The right to recreational use of an open space by local people now needs to be defended within a year of a new landowner statement

Under section 15A of the Commons Act 2006, a landowner can deposit a statement and map which bring to an end any period of recreational use of the land which was 'as of right'. Once such a statement is deposited with the commons registration authority (county or unitary council), local people have only one year in which to apply for village green status. Previously they had two years from the date of challenge.

The notice of challenge to use of a green must be published on the commons registration authority's website for at least 60 days, and posted at or near at least one entry point to the land for the same period. However, if the site notices are removed, there is no requirement to replace them, so people could easily not know that their use was being challenged.

The landowner must deposit a further statement and map within 20 years.

How do I find out about landowner statements that may threaten my local open space?

Registration authorities hold a register of landowner statements and must serve notice by email on anyone who has asked to be informed. The society has written to all the registration

authorities to ask to be notified. You too should contact your registration authority if you wish to be notified of any landowner statements.

How can I keep a step ahead of landowner plans to restrict access?

You should gather evidence of use and submit an application to register land which the public has used as of right for 20+ years before the landowner deposits a statement, otherwise you will have little time in which to do this.

This provision has been brought in simultaneously with the updated section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 whereby landowners may deposit statements and maps declaring the routes on their land which they acknowledge to be public. These too must be renewed every 20 years.