

## December 2023 - January 2024 Correspondence Report

- a) Confirmation of DAPTC Subscription Charges for 2024-2025. The subscriptions will rise by 4.80%.
- b) Breaking News....Grants & Funding Update from Dorset Council. The grants, which are managed by Dorset Council, welcomes applications for projects and events for community, arts, accredited museums, heritage, sport, youth, play and physical activity in the Dorset Council area. Closing date 8th January.
- c) Dorset's Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty - rebranded to National Landscapes.
- d) Free Working Together Webinars - 4 new sessions in November. This includes a webinar on 30th November: Topic Analogue (landline) switch off from Summer 2024.
- e) Precept Increase/Decrease Calculator. A pre-populated with the tax base data spreadsheet will be available from early December.
- f) Applications now open for South Western Railway's successful Customer and Community Improvement Fund (CCIF). CCIF webpage. Applications can be submitted until the end of Sunday 31 December 2023.
- g) News release: Round 4 of the Household Support Fund reopens for applications. If you're facing challenges, this initiative offers supermarket vouchers to help with essentials. The fund is available from 10am on 5th Dec.  
<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/household-support-fund>
- h) DAPTC E-News 1 December 2023. N THE NEWS THIS WEEK - NATIONAL PARK FOR DORSET? | The government announced a pledge to boost access to nature and the BBC News highlighted the possible creation of a new National Park with locations being the Chilterns, the Cotswolds and Dorset.
- i) NRS Recruitment Campaign. The Nuclear Restoration Services have announced they are recruiting over 30 level 2 – 6 engineering and business apprentices. Apprentice Careers - Enerigus
- j) NEWS: Grant funds for businesses, community groups and organisations set to launch. Dorset Council has been allocated just over £6 million via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) for use within the county, with funds available until completion in March 2025. Community groups and organisations can apply for grants between £1,000 and £15,000. Local business grant awards are from £2,000 to £20,000 per business.
- k) Working Together Webinars - Dorset Council's Recycling Team 14 Dec @4pm.
- l) Tax Base 2024/25. The Tax Base for East Lulworth has increased by 5.7%. The council tax base is the number of properties in a parish that are liable to pay council tax.
- m) Dorset Council's latest news - Grant funding, future tech, and more local news. Over £1 Million Awarded to Dorset Council to Help End Homelessness.
- n) Important Message from the Highways Team at Dorset Council. For emergency highways issues, call us on 01305 221020 or visit our website at <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/report-a-problem/highway-emergencies> 24 hour Wessex Water line: 0345 600 4600, 24 hour floodline: 0345 988 118, Environment Agency National Incident Hotline: 0800 80 70 60. For details regarding sandbags, please visit <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/emergencies-severe-weather/flooding/sandbags-and-local-flooding-advice>
- o) PTAG Meeting. The next meeting of the Purbeck Transport Action Group will be held online (by Zoom) on 9 January 2024, starting at 6.30 p.m.
- p) DAPTC E-News 15 December 2023. There will be a webinar in January about the Multi-Authority Devolution Deal. Dorset Council are in discussions with Wiltshire, BCP, Somerset and North Somerset.
- q) Citizens Advice Housing Project Fundraising Campaign. They are looking to raise funds to support their Housing Team who provide essential support to local people who are at risk of homelessness.
- r) SSEN Distribution - Storm Henk Update - 3rd January 11am update. SSEN restores

- power to 56,000 homes following Storm Henk
- s) Proposed Temporary Closure Of C8, Winfrith Newburgh. These works are programmed to commence from 09:30, 25th January until 15:30, 25th January.
  - t) A letter from Bruno Peek CVO OBE OPR Pageant Master - for DAPTC Members. DDay Commemorations Light a Beacon at 9.15pm on 6th June,
  - u) Emergency Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Temporary Closure Of B3070, West Lulworth. This took place on Friday 5th January.
  - v) DAPTC E-News 5 January 2024. The deadline for the precept submission is 31st January.
  - w) Citizens Advice EDP update and request. Donation request letter.