

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5th March 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Martyn Percy (Chairman) MP
Kathy Hawley KH
David Keene DK
Michael Raynor MR
Cyril Sellar CS
Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC) EG
David Turner (OCC) DT
Mike Mount (Clerk) MM

Apologies: Kevin Jones KJ
Stuart Lacey SL

22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

23 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

24 MATTERS ARISING

24.1 Denton Green Drainage

The ground was still too wet for the work to be undertaken.

24.2 Chiselhampton Beech Hedge

- OCC had advised that the slow signs had been ordered.
- There had been further complaints about the accident hazard caused by the hedge. It was agreed to write again to OCC about this. **Action: MM**

24.3 Security Cameras

KJ had not advised if the cameras had been installed yet.

24.4 Carols Around The Christmas Tree

Keith Hawley had not been thanked for supplying the mulled wine and it was agreed that this should be done. **Action: MM**

24.5 Chippinghurst Crossing

Little Milton Parish Council felt that a meeting between the parish councils should take place after OCC had issued the order that there was a footpath at the old weir, and when there was a chance to see the objections to this.

24.6 Passing Place Repair

The potholes in the passing places on the way to Cuddesdon Mill had not been repaired.

24.7 Litter Pick

MR agreed to organise the litter pick. It would take place on 14th April.

24.8 Drain Clearance

DT announced that the drains were cleared less frequently now, about once every six months.

24.9 Gritting Salt

- The salt bag had been moved to Ripon College at the end of Field Lane. MR thought he had a tarpaulin to cover it with. **Action: MR, MM**
- DT agreed to investigate if the salt bins would be filled by OCC before next winter. **Action: DT**

25 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)

- SODC was very concerned about the proposal for relaxation of the permitted development rules so that barns could be converted to businesses and businesses to dwellings without planning permission.
- It had been agreed that the city deal for the funding of enterprise and infrastructure improvements was going to be run by the county, which was felt to be more representative.

26 COUNTY COUNCIL (DT)

- DT announced that he would not be standing again as a county councillor at May's election.
- The government had agreed to award funds to the area for the city deal.
- The UK Youth Parliament elections had been held.
- A series of events were being held in Oxfordshire to mark the centenary of Morris Motors.
- 93% of schoolchildren had been offered places at their preferred secondary school.

27 PLANNING MATTERS

Savills were preparing a further amendment to the Dovehouse Farm planning application.

28 FINANCE

28.1 Payments

Keith Hawley	Mulled wine	£25.00
Oxford Green Belt Network	Annual subscription	£15.00
Cyril Sellar	Hedge trimming	£72.00
M Mount	Annual expenses	£11.17

OALC had sent an invoice for their annual subscription. It was agreed to pay this next month in the new financial year.

28.2 Clerk's Salary

It was agreed to keep the clerk's salary the same as last year on SCP22 at £10.198 per hour or £1590.89 per year.

29 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- MR pointed out that parking on verges was still an issue on both sides of the road in the High Street. Parking was difficult and there was no consensus on a solution. It was agreed that residents should be asked for their views through the newsletter, with a public discussion at May's meeting. **Action: MM**
- CS had noticed that a car was parked completely on the pavement at Cuddesdon Green. It was agreed that a note should be put on its windscreen asking it not to be left there. **Action: MM**

30 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- MM had checked the condition of the assets and they all appeared to be in good order.
- A request had been received to repaint the keep clear sign at the end of The Lane to discourage people from parking there. It was agreed to ask OCC to do this, and to repaint the sign in the road at the recreation ground at the same time. **Action: MM**
- There was some metal rubbish on the recreation ground. MM agreed to gather this up so it could be removed by SODC. **Action: MM**

31 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The agenda for the annual parish meeting was agreed. MP would not be available to be chairman, and so DK agreed to do this.

32 PLAY AREA SURFACE REPLACEMENT

- Offers of grants had been received from Biffa and WREN.
- Biffa's grant was for £10,000.00 with a third party contribution from the Parish Council of £510.20.
- WREN's grant was for £10,712.00 with a third party contribution of £1,178.68.
- Biffa would pay half the grant at the start of the project.
- It was agreed that Biffa's offer was preferable, but MM would investigate whether it was possible to obtain money from both, possibly for improvements other than the play surfaces. **Action: MM**