

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

2nd July 2024 in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	Robin Baylie	RB
	Evie Bennett	EB
	Stuart Flockton	SF
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Philip Spinks	PS
	Louisa Vincent	LV
Apologies:	Tim Bearder (OCC)	TB
	Sam James-Lawrie (SODC)	SJL
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM

50 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

51 SALE OF THE BAT AND BALL

The sale to Ben Moss was progressing with completion due at the end of July. Re-opening was scheduled for the autumn.

52 COMMUNITY ORCHARD

- Nicko King and Ron Stern had had a site meeting with Richard and Susan Farrant and Simon Alden, their commercial surveyor. CL and MM had also attended. The meeting was useful and terms had been discussed for the simplification of the lease agreement, but no quote had been received for Mr Alden's fees.
- It was agreed that if the fee exceeded £2,000 then it would need to be signed off at September's meeting or an additional meeting would need to be held.

53 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

54 MATTERS ARISING

54.1 Removal of Rotten Trees on Cuddesdon Green

- It was agreed not to replace the removed trees at present.
- A request had been received for removal of the large conifer, but it was decided not to do this.
- LV proposed and RB seconded that a further £75 plus VAT should be paid to New Leaf Trees for the recently disputed bill. It was agreed to do this.

54.2 Replacement of "No Ball Games Sign" at Parkside

RB agreed to contact SOHA about replacement of the sign.

Action: RB

55 PLANNING

The appeal against the refusal to allow there to be a double garage in the garden of 1 Dove House Lane (P23/S1892/HH) had been allowed, so planning permission was granted.

56 FINANCE

Payments:	Landscape Group	Grass cutting - May	£713.34
	Eugenia Skelly	Internal audit	£150.00
	M Mount	Salary Apr - Jun	£496.74
	Newsletter	New clerk advert	£24.00
	Shield Maintenance	Dog bin emptying	£13.26
	Landscape Group	Grass cutting - June	£529.02
	OCC	Traffic monitoring	£228.00
	New Leaf Trees	Additional payment	£90.00
	Gallagher	Annual insurance	£854.66

May's grass cutting bill had included £151.20 for cutting the verges near Dove House and it was agreed that this large amount should be investigated. **Action: MM**

57 APPOINTMENT OF A NEW CLERK

- Denise Corney was the only applicant and it was agreed to ask her to interview and to obtain references. **Action: CL**
- SF, ASF and possibly LV agreed to be the interview panel.

58 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

ASF had put up the fly tipping signs. It was agreed to consider cameras once the effectiveness of the signs had been assessed.

59 CLERK'S BUSINESS

The bridges at Cuddesdon Mill were going to be closed for several days at the end of August.

Chairman: 

Clerk:

Date: 3/9/2024

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