

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1st November 2022 in the Village Hall

Present:	Robin Baylie	RB
	David Keene	DK
	Richard Palmer	RP
	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM

Apologies:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	Colin Hessey	CH
	Paddy McGuinness	PM
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Tim Bearder (OCC)	TB

89 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

In CL's absence, RP was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

90 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

91 PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Dove House Development:
 - Nicko King had had a meeting with EG to discuss the poor state of the verges and the tree planting at the development.
 - Natta had advised that they were waiting for SODC's planning department to sign off the landscaping condition before they could proceed with the work.
 - Nicko King considered that handrails were needed on the steeper parts of the new path.
- Nicko King had investigated the cost of replacement trees to be planted on the High Street verge. It was agreed that two Mountain Ash Edulis 5' saplings should be purchased, each costing £21.95.
- RP had managed to get Thames Water to escalate the water leak on Denton Hill to be defined as a major leak, increasing the chances of it being repaired soon.

92 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)

A planning application had been made for a second solar farm at Nuneham Courtney.

93 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

94 MATTERS ARISING

94.1 Abandoned Vehicles

One of the two apparently abandoned vehicles parked in the High Street had been removed. The other was fully road legal.

94.2 Swings

The swings had been installed and it was agreed to ask the grant provider to pay the supplier.

Action: MM

94.3 Beech Tree Near The Forge

The tree surgeons who had pruned the tree had advised that there was a weakness in its structure where the two main stems separated.

94.4 Repair of Cuddesdon Mill Bridge

OCC would not commit to a date when the bridge would be repaired.

94.5 Items Carried Forward

- Obtaining a dedicated clerk's computer **Action: PM**
- Asking the farmer to cut back the hedge at the bottom of the recreation ground **Action: DK**
- Taking a look at tidying up the overgrowth at the back of Cuddesdon Green **Action: DK**

95 FINANCE

95.1 Payments

Landscape Group	Grass cutting September	£424.80
Village Hall	Annual hire	£225.00
Shield Maintenance	Dog bin October	£10.39
Fenland Leisure	VAT for swings purchase	£2,105.40

95.2 Budget

The latest budget was presented, showing very little change.

96 CHRISTMAS TREE

DK agreed to obtain a tree.

97 CAROLS ROUND THE TREE

- It was agreed that the carols should take place on Sunday 18th December at 5.00pm.
- ASF would be asked to supervise the mulled wine and mince pies. **Action: MM**
- Mark Chapman would be asked to lead the carols. **Action: MM**

98 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- SODC had implemented the combination of the wards of Cuddesdon and Denton into a single ward for parish council elections, with there still being seven councillors.
- The registration of Cuddesdon Green and the recreation ground as village greens had been completed by OCC.
- SODC were going to perform a deep cleanse during December.
- A part of Denton Lane was going to be closed in January for sewer cleaning.
- The defibrillator battery was flat and a replacement needed to be obtained. **Action: MM**