

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1st March 2022 in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	Robin Baylie	RB
	Colin Hessey	CH
	Paddy McGuinness	PM
	Richard Palmer	RP
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG
Apologies:	David Keene	DK
	Tim Bearder (OCC)	TB
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM

20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RP declared an interest in the planning application for Willow Cottage.

21 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Aylmer on behalf of the students of Ripon College asked about reducing the traffic speed on the road between Parkside and Coombe Wood. He asked that either a footpath was built or some traffic calming measures were introduced. The Parish Council did not consider that a footpath was appropriate.

22 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)

- EG's councillor grant was going to fund the boiler in the Village Hall.
- The Northfield development was currently being held up by OCC.
- EG agreed to pass on to TB that the Parish Council was very concerned about the safety of the road near Dove House Farm at the corner with the high wall. They considered that cars would not be able to pass because of the hard kerbs, and negotiating the corner would be difficult for farm traffic and other large vehicles.

23 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

24 MATTERS ARISING

24.1 Dove House

- Natta had only committed to partial resurfacing of the road but had actually resurfaced it along its full length.
- The sewage leak had been rectified.

24.2 Road Safety

- The cheapest speed gate cost £400. More information was requested about types, sizes and costs of speed gates. **Action: MM**
- OCC had not responded about the cost of road markings.
- The owners of Cuddesdon House had agreed to cut back the tree growing out over the road.

24.3 Footpath Steps

Construction of the steps had begun on 28th February.

24.4 Registration of Cuddesdon Green and the Recreation Ground as Village Greens

The applications had been submitted to OCC.

24.5 High Street Trees

TB had been asked to find out about OCC's recommendation on the safety of the remaining tree, and removal of the chippings.

24.6 Replacement of the Swings

The grant application had been submitted.

24.7 Notification of Neighbours about Planning Applications

SODC had said that only neighbours who directly abutted a planning application site were automatically informed of an application but they were investigating broadening the scope.

24.8 Death of a Senior Member of the Royal Family

it was agreed that:

- The Vicar and PCC would be contacted about a book of condolence, the ringing of bells, etc. **Action: CL**
- The Parish Council would contribute to the cost of the book of condolence.
- In the event of a death, a letter would be included in the Newsletter and on the website using the template from the London Bridge document.

24.9 Litter Pick

- It was agreed that the litter pick would take place on Sunday 8th May.
- The supply of equipment from SODC would be investigated. **Action: MM**

25 PLANNING

- The Parish Council had agreed to support the amendment to the application for alterations and an extension at Willow Cottage in Denton (P22/S0382/HH and P22/S0384/LB).
- The application for discharge of the surface water drainage condition at Plot 1, Dove House (P22/S017/DIS) was noted. This did not require a view from the Parish Council.

26 FINANCE

26.1 Payments

In Safe Hands	Footpath steps materials	£630.00
R Palmer	Footpath repair materials	£71.43
M Mount	Village green registration expenses	£22.40
New Leaf Tree Surgery	Clearing damaged trees	£840.00
M Mount	Annual expenses	£9.45
Shield Maintenance	Dog bin emptying Feb	£10.39
ICO	Data Protection Fee	£40.00

26.2 Clerk's Salary

It was agreed that the Clerk's salary for the coming year would be £1798.68.

27 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

RP was saddened to note the death of former parish councillor Aubrey Reid. The Parish Council was thankful for Aubrey's contribution to the Parish throughout his life.

RP had tidied a damaged tree on Denton Green and agreed to look at another damaged tree on the Wheatley Road.

RP had agreed to join the Green Canopy group led by Nicko King, to consider tree planting.

ASF reported damage to the bridge at Cuddesdon Mill. **Action: MM**

ASF reported that HGVs had accessed the Dove House site inappropriately from Denton Hill.

CH reported that the verge near the church had been damaged by lorries. It was believed that the damage would be repaired.

CH reported that the church oak tree had suffered storm damage. CL agreed to report this to the PCC. **Action: CL**

28 PLATINUM JUBILEE (CL)

CL proposed that the celebrations should include:

Saturday 3rd June: 7.00pm Concert in the King Edward Chapel
8.45pm Drinks in the village hall or pub
9.30pm Lighting the beacon on the recreation ground
Salt Sellar had agreed to organise the beacon

Sunday 4th June: "Bring and Share" picnic lunch on the recreation ground

- CL agreed to form a committee with interested parishioners.
- The Parish Council agreed to contribute to the event.
- Financial support might include use of the £500 covid battle fund.

29 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- Natta had said they would tidy up the verges next to the road at Dove House before they left.
- The village assets had been checked. All was in order except:
 - The benches on Cuddesdon Green needed cleaning. **Action: RP, CL**
 - The inner part of the green bin on the recreation ground needed replacing. **Action: MM**

30 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting would take place on 5th April at 8.00pm with a shortened Parish Council Meeting preceding it. MM would contact the contributors

Action: MM