

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7th May 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Martyn Percy (Chairman) MP
David Keene DK
Michael Raynor MR
Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC) EG
Mike Mount (Clerk) MM

Apologies: Kathy Hawley KH
Kevin Jones KJ
Stuart Lacey SL
Cyril Sellar CS
Anne Purse (OCC) AP

41 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

DK proposed that MP should be chairman for another year, and MR seconded this. MP was unanimously elected.

42 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

43 HIGH STREET VERGES

- Three e-mails had been received asking that something be done. Also, Natasha Turner attended the meeting and was in favour of improving the verges.
- It was agreed to re-turf the worn areas, as had been done by Natasha and Jeremy Turner at number 40.
- If cars were still driven over the verges then it might be necessary to put down large stones later.
- MM would write to the occupants telling them what was proposed. **Action: MM**
- No changes would be made to the north side of the High Street at present, although MP advised that the contractors had agreed to make good the verge near Field Lane.

44 ANNUAL MEETING BUSINESS

- 44.1 It was agreed that the standing orders required no changes.
- 44.2 It was agreed that the financial regulations required no changes.
- 44.3 It was agreed that the risk assessment required no changes.
- 44.4 It was agreed that the insurance cover should be changed to include the two new benches, but otherwise it was satisfactory. **Action: MM**
- 44.5 No councillors declared that they were members of other bodies.
- 44.6 It was agreed that the freedom of information procedures were satisfactory.
- 44.7 The only current declaration of interest was DK's interest in the possible development of Dovehouse Farm (tenant).

44.8 It was agreed that the meetings for the coming year would be at 7.30pm in the village hall on the first Tuesday of each month.

45 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with one minor change.

46 MATTERS ARISING

46.1 Denton Green Drainage

DK proposed to install the new pipe in June.

46.2 Chiselhampton Beech Hedge

MM had written to OCC about the danger of the hedge, but they had not advised him of their view. He would write again. **Action: MM**

46.3 Gritting Salt

OCC had advised that they would fill the salt bins before next winter

46.4 Disabled Parking Space

There had been no objections to there being a disabled parking space outside the village hall. OCC had advised that the work would be done in the next month, and the keep clear signs would be painted at the same time.

46.5 Play Area Surface Replacement

- Biffa had paid the first amount of £5000.
- MM had obtained new quotes from RTC, Soft Surfaces and Safe and Sound. It was agreed that the order should be placed with RTC. The cost was £11,902, so the Parish Council would need to pay £1,902.

47 DISTRICT COUNCIL

Following the OCC elections, the conservatives no longer had an absolute majority and EG was concerned that this would adversely affect the city deal.

48 FINANCE

48.1 Payments

SODC	Dog bin emptying (January to March)	£24.40
Berinsfield	Grass cutting (March)	£342.48

48.2 Receipts

SSE	Wayleave	£2.00
Biffa	First half of play surface grant	£5000.00

48.3 Grass Cutting Grant

OCC's grass cutting grant for the year was £1085.10.

48.4 Internal Audit

The internal audit had been completed satisfactorily.

- 48.5 The annual accounts were approved, including the asset register.
- 48.6 The accounting statements of the annual return were approved.
- 48.7 The annual governance statement of the annual return was approved.
- 48.8 The annual budget was approved.
- 48.9 It was agreed that the internal audit had satisfied the internal audit review.

49 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- SODC had written asking if the parish council considered that any changes needed to be made to its organisation. It was agreed that no changes were needed.
- The goal nets on the recreation ground were in a poor state of repair. It was agreed to buy some new ones at a cost of £54. **Action: MM**
- KJ had not attended a meeting for a year. MP agreed to discuss with him whether he wished to remain as a councillor. **Action: MP**