

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5th September 2023 in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL	Apologies:	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Robin Baylie	RB			
	Stuart Flockton	SF			
	Tim Bearder (OCC)	TB			
	Sam James-Lawrie (SODC)	SJL			
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM			

69 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

70 DISTRICT COUNCIL (TB)

- TB was still keen for there to be a 20mph speed limit in the parish.
- He felt that SODC's low rate of ACV approval was personality driven and likely to change.
- TB agreed to send SODC's ACV approval procedures.

71 PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Formation of a Green Group was being considered, to look at improving Cuddesdon Green.
- The previous plans for Cuddesdon Green improvement had been discovered.
- Dee Murray was keen to go ahead with bulb planting on the Green. The Parish Council agreed to this, with the project being financed from the CIL fund.

72 CO-OPTIONS

Evie Bennett, Philip Spinks and Louisa Vincent were co-opted onto the Council to fill the three vacancies.

73 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

74 MATTERS ARISING

74.1 ACV Application for the Bat and Ball

- SODC had said that they would decide whether to approve the ACV by the end of October.
- Peter Rutt had tried to contact Admiral without success, to discuss their intentions for the pub.
- He had discovered that the rent was £73k per year with a review in two years' time.
- He suggested that a commercial viability assessment of the pub should be made. This might cost £2.5k.
- There had also been a suggestion that a group should be formed to consider how funding the purchase of the pub would be achieved.

74.2 Dove House Development

- OCC had provided a drawing showing the verge areas they were going to adopt. This included the steep verge in front of the tithe barn but not the verge next to the road at the new footpath. The adopted areas would be the Parish Council's responsibility for maintenance (grass cutting).
- Magdalen were applying pressure to Natta to have the landscaping completed in other areas.
- It was agreed that OCC would be asked to adopt the verge next to the road at the new path.

Action: MM

74.3 Parking on Cuddesdon Green

Ripon College had said that cars parked on the footpath did not belong to their students. It was agreed to put up a No Parking sign on the Green.

Action: MM

74.4 Tree Maintenance

Two trees on Denton Green had been pruned and the dead tree on Cuddesdon Green had been removed. It was agreed that the stumps on Denton Green and Cuddesdon Green should be removed.

Action: MM

74.5 Denton Lane Verge Cutting

The Landscape Group would be asked about cutting the verge near the brook.

74.6 Radio Mast

Ripon College had decided not to have a radio mast erected on their football field for control of a proposed drone highway.

75 PLANNING

The planning application to run a solar farm cable through the parish (P22/S2220/FUL) had been approved by SODC.

76 FINANCE

76.1 Payments

Landscape Group	Grass cutting - March	£72.00
Landscape Group	Grass cutting - June	£466.02
M Mount	Land registry	£19.00
Shield Maintenance	Dog bin emptying - July	£10.39
Landscape Group	Grass cutting - July	£519.60
Shield Maintenance	Dog bin emptying - August	£10.39
New Leaf Trees	Tree maintenance	£1212.00
All Saints' Church	Churchyard donation	£500.00

76.2 Receipt

HMRC	VAT refund	£498.68
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76.3 Budget

The latest budget was presented.

76.4 Internal Audit Review

It was agreed that the auditor had satisfied the requirements of the review.

77 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- SODC wanted to provide one or two electric vehicle charger points in local villages, but the Parish Council did not own any land where these could be sited.
- There had been a complaint about smoke from bonfires in Bishop's Wood disturbing residents in Parkside.
- A request had been made for the brambles at the back of the basketball court to be cut back.
Action: MM
- The salt bins had been checked and they were all full.
- It was agreed to buy two wreaths for Remembrance Sunday, for the Parish Council and for the PCC. The present wreaths would be removed from the war memorial. **Action: MM**

78 BONFIRE NIGHT

The provisional plan for Bonfire Night was agreed, taking place on Sunday 5th November.

Chairman:

Clerk:

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