

## CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5th December 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	David Keene	DK
	Ken Meek	KM
	Richard Palmer	RP
	Michael Raynor	MR
	Paul Sellar	PS
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Kirsten Johnson (OCC)	KJ
	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM

### **99 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no new declarations of interest.

### **100 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (Nick King)**

- Three tenders had been received for development of the character assessment.
- The Parish Council delegated to the subcommittee the power to select the best tender.
- Applications were being made for funding from the government and SODC.
- The subcommittee would ensure that there would be no additional expense which was not covered by the grants and that the Parish Council would not be liable for any expenditure.

### **101 OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE EXPRESSWAY (Peter Rutt)**

- The Expressway Action Group had been defined as stakeholders by Highways England and so would be involved in the decision about the expressway route.
- Representatives from the EAG were meeting Highways England during December.
- Peter Rutt had had a meeting with one of Chris Grayling's special advisers.
- CPRE had formally decided to support a route using existing roads.
- OALC had asked for the Parish Council's views on the expressway and CL agreed to send them a letter.

**Action: CL**

### **102 SODC GRANT**

SODC had a £2,000 grant available which had to be applied for by 19th December. It was agreed that, in the first instance, the PCC would be asked if they wanted to apply for the grant to repair a floor in the church tower.

**Action: RP**

### **103 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)**

SODC would be returning to their Crowmarsh location within two years, along with Vale District Council.

### **104 COUNTY COUNCIL (KJ)**

- KJ had proposed a motion at a recent County Council meeting that everyone had a right to decent public transport, and this had been passed. As a result, she was on a task force looking into public transport.
- Repair of the bridges at Cuddesdon Mill was being investigated.

*CL*

## 105 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

## 106 MATTERS ARISING

### 106.1 CADET Fund

It was agreed that the fund should not be restricted to medical journeys, but should be available for anyone who needed it, as was originally intended. It could be used by anyone living in Cuddesdon or Denton to a limit of £20 per trip. MM agreed to draft a notice. **Action MM**

### 106.2 CHRISTMAS TREE

MM had bought a tree from Wheatley and DK had agreed to organise collecting and erecting it. **Action: DK**

### 106.3 CAROLS

- Susannah McGuinness had agreed to manage the mince pies, and ASF had agreed to manage the mulled wine. **Action: ASF**
- RP agreed to ask Mark Chapman to supervise the carols. **Action: RP**

## 107 FINANCE

### 107.1 Payments

Village Hall	Annual hire	£204.00
M Mount	Christmas tree	£25.00

### 107.2 Receipts

HMRC	VAT refund	£438.46
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### 107.3 External Audit Exemption

The auditor would send a form at the end of the financial year confirming that the Parish Council was exempted from the external audit.

### 107.4 Precept

It was agreed to increase the precept by £200 to £7,600 for the year 2018/19.

## 108 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

RP A lorry from Eurotrans Express had driven into the ditch below Welbourne Corner and it was agreed to ask them for £150 to repair the damage. **Action: MM**

ASF The pavement outside the terraced houses on the High Street was damaged and needed to be reported on fix my street. **Action: MM**

## 109 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- Cuddesdon Green had not been registered as a village green or common land. MM agreed to investigate the consequences of having it registered. **Action: MM**
- The stables conversion at Upper Farm was going to be called Field Cottage.

Chairman:



Clerk:



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