

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

6th February 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

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

Apologies: David Keene DK
Michael Raynor MR

11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

12 PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Joey Gleed asked about the worsening condition of the roads, particularly to Cuddesdon Mill, and the water leaks on Denton Hill. OCC were being regularly contacted about the state of the roads with the assistance of KJ, and Thames water were going to be contacted about the leaks. **Action: MM**
- Nick King spoke on behalf of a group of villagers who were concerned about the revised planning application at Dovehouse Farm, in particular the lack of affordable housing, possible further development to the east of the site, and the long term preservation of the barn.

13 COUNTY COUNCIL (KJ)

- There was a new deputy at OCC Highways (Vanessa Buckley) and KJ would encourage her to visit the village.
- Each parish was being asked to appoint a representative who would inspect the roads and report any damage.
- The council was hoping they might be able to make more permanent repairs in future.
- The Highways England report about the expressway had been circulated.
- Central government had tentatively said that £60M was available for affordable housing, and £150M was available for infrastructure improvements, including schools and cycle paths.
- KJ was still trying to obtain funding for more bus services.
- Money was available to commemorate the end of World War 1.

14 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)

- EG was not convinced that money was available for housing or infrastructure.
- EG's portfolio had changed and included housing, licensing, refuse collection and cemeteries.



15 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (Nick King)

- Funding for the character assessment had been received.
- The draft character assessment was going to be reviewed by the subcommittee.
- A public meeting was taking place to ask for the community's views on the character assessment.
- A grant for £5,000 had been applied for from SODC.

16 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

17 MATTERS ARISING

17.1 Drain Installation across Denton Green

ASF wondered whether this should have been an agenda item.

17.2 CADET Fund

It was agreed that the notice should be put in the newsletter for a second month.

17.3 Road repairs

OCC had said that repairs had been made at Denton Lane although they had not. KJ asked to see the emails. **Action: MM**

18 PLANNING

It was agreed to recommend refusal of the planning application at Dovehouse Farm (P17/S4413/FUL and P17/S4414/LB) on the grounds that affordable housing was not included, that there needed to be protection against development of the land to the east of the site, and that there was insufficient confidence in the long term preservation of the barn.

19 FINANCE

19.1 Payments

SODC	Dog bin emptying	£25.12
A Smith-Fitchett	Mulled wine	£25.87

19.2 Receipt

Groundwork UK	Neighbourhood plan grant	£5521.00
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19.3 Neighbourhood Planning Expenditure

OALC had advised that the appropriate spending power for the project was section 111 of the 1972 act.

19.4 Budget

The latest budget showed very little change from the previous one.



19.5 Bank Balance

The balance at 31st December 2017 was £11580.66 made up of:

Parish Council	£10119.75
CADET fund	£446.87
World War 1 fund	£1014.04

20 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

ASF There had been several attempted burglaries over Christmas.

ASF A gate had been put in the fence onto Denton Green at Hamlet and the legitimacy of this should be investigated. **Action: MM**

RP Traffic was pushing the bank into the stream on Denton Lane near Denton House.

CL Winnie Sellar had written concerning:

- The condition of one of the horse chestnut trees on Denton Green
- The leaks on Denton Hill
- Maintenance of the Brook Lane footpath

21 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- Berinsfield Community Business had agreed to maintain their prices for the coming year.
- A request had been made to erect a marquee on the recreation ground for a wedding reception. This was accepted in principle but further information was requested.

Action: MM

Chairman:



Clerk:



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