

CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

24th July 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Martyn Percy (Chairman)	MP	Apologies: Kevin Jones	KJ
Kathy Hawley	KH	David Keene	DK
Michael Raynor	MR	Stuart Lacey	SL
David Turner (OCC)	DT	Cyril Sellar	CS
Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG

67 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

68 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

69 MATTERS ARISING

69.1 Cuddesdon Green Benches

MM had identified four possible suppliers of benches and obtained prices. KH asked for a further quote from the Howe Trust. **Action: MM**

69.2 Play Area Surface Replacement

- MM had contacted Kate Forrest and she had advised that a Leader grant was not appropriate for the surface replacement.
- MM had obtained five quotes for replacement with wet pour:

Safe and Sound	Aylesbury		£13,500
ARD	Berkshire		£12,872
Playtop	Newark, Notts	Did basketball surface	£11,712
Soft Surfaces	Cheshire	Oxford City Council's recommendation	£8,574
RTC	Burnley	Cold call	£8,056
- It was agreed to complete an application for a WREN grant. **Action: MM**

69.3 External Audit Cost

MM had discovered that the audit cost was reducing next year. This year's audit had cost £135. Next year there would be no charge if the turnover was less than £10,000, or £100 if it was greater than £10,000.

69.4 Grass Cutting

Berinsfield had said that it was not possible to cut Denton Green's grass any shorter if it was only cut once a month. KH requested that they were asked again to improve the cutting of Denton Green, both the main area and the smaller area near the brook. **Action: MM**

69.5 Registers of Members' Interests

Completed forms were received from KH and MR but not from the other councillors.

Action: KJ, DK, SL, MP, CS,

69.6 RoSPA Inspection

RoSPA had asked for an additional £35 if MM was present at the inspection and so he had not attended.

70 FINANCE

70.1 Payments

Berinsfield	Grass cutting (May)	£461.52
Berinsfield	Grass cutting (June)	£413.52
M Mount	Transparent sheet	£18.98

70.2 Receipts

OCC	Grass cutting grant	£1082.40
HMRC	VAT refund	£432.35

70.3 Bank Accounts

At the end of June:

Current account	£2888.99
Deposit account	<u>£2708.44</u>
Total	£5597.43

71 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

MP: There had been a request for Parkside's bus shelter to be removed because young people were gathering there. It was agreed that the bus shelter should remain.

72 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- MM had written to Easykey asking them to reduce their fee for the website, and they had said they would reduce it from £350 to £308. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting. Easykey had also supplied statistics for the website showing the number of monthly visits was typically 4000.
- The Oxfordshire Woodland Project was preparing a plan for the management of Coombe Wood and had written asking if there was any local knowledge about its natural history.
- SODC's Town and Parish Forum was to be on 21st November.
- SODC had sent a document listing their modifications to the Core Strategy.
- Thames Valley Police had asked if there were any nominations for community policing awards.
- Arthur Smith-Fitchett had been advised by SODC that they were looking at instigating proceedings against the fly tippers he had witnessed.
- Some residents had complained about the black dog which defecated in their gardens and dug up their plants. It was thought the dog came from the Old Vicarage and MM would speak to the owners.

Action: MM

73 COUNTY COUNCIL (DT)

- DT had reported the blocked gullies on the road to Chippinghurst to OCC.
- OCC had now decided not to take any action to have the beech hedge at Chiselhampton cut back, because they felt they would need legal reason to do this.
- Some local school children would be part of the guard of honour at the Olympic opening.
- Some local schools had produced posters asking drivers to drive more slowly through their villages.
- There was a temporary weight restriction at Shabbington's bridge while it was repaired.
- OCC had rejected the request to have the river crossing at the stepping stones in Chippinghurst defined as a public footpath, leaving the way open for the revised footpath routing to be discussed. There were 28 days to appeal against OCC's decision.