

## CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

2nd October 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Martyn Percy (Chairman) MP  
Kathy Hawley KH  
David Keene DK  
Stuart Lacey SL  
Michael Raynor MR  
Cyril Sellar CS  
David Turner (OCC) DT

Apologies: Kevin Jones KJ  
Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC) EG  
Mike Mount (Clerk) MM

### **82 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no new declarations of interest.

### **83 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Paxton raised the matter of drainage on Denton Green. He read to the Council previous correspondence that he had regarding this matter. DT suggested that in previous matters of this nature Mr John Backley of SODC had been helpful in resolving matters. DK agreed to contact Mr Backley to arrange a meeting. **Action: DK**

### **84 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with three minor modifications.

### **85 MATTERS ARISING**

#### **85.1 Cuddesdon Green Refurbishment**

- The benches had been delivered.
- CS had bought the bulbs.
- It was agreed to have a working party at 10.00am on 20th October to plant the bulbs and install the benches.

#### **85.2 Play Area Surface Replacement**

The WREN grant application had been sent but would not be considered until 27th February 2013, so would not be in this year's budget.

#### **85.3 Chiselhampton Beech Hedge**

- DT reported that a letter from the Highways Authority claimed that the hedge was not a safety issue. This could be challenged if a record of accidents was provided.
- It was agreed to ask the owner if the hedge could be trimmed for road safety reasons.

**Action: MM**

#### **85.4 Chippinghurst Crossing**

DT informed the council that OCC had to respond to the planning inspectorate by 26th November. If the inspectorate found in favour of Mr Crawley of the Open Spaces Society then a planning enquiry would be held.

### 85.5 Condition of the Roads

MM had written to OCC Highways but had had no reply. DT agreed to chase for a response.

**Action: DT**

### 85.6 Security Cameras

It was agreed that this would be discussed at the next meeting.

### 85.7 Bonfire Night

- The duties and responsibilities were agreed according to the list.
- The cherry tree opposite the church, a part of which had already fallen, would be inspected and, if diseased, felled and put on the bonfire.
- There was a fallen tree on the recreation ground which would be put on the bonfire.
- Gillie King had asked to hold a raffle on bonfire night in aid of village hall funds. Councillors agreed to this, but wanted to point out that this should not become an annual right as there were many other needy causes which might need support within the village.

**Action: MM to write**

## 86 COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

- Educational achievement at key stages 1 and 2 in both the county and city were poor, but had improved in the year.
- A notice was left for the notice board, concerning free electric blanket testing.

## 87 FINANCE

### 87.1 Payments

Berinsfield	Grass cutting (August)	£413.52
BDO	External Audit	£144.00
Cyan	Benches	£889.98

### 87.2 Benches

The cost of the benches without VAT was £741.64, and this was going to be financed by donations of £370.82 from the College and DK.

### 87.3 External Audit

The external audit has been completed. The audit was qualified because a risk assessment had not been carried out during the year, as had been identified by the internal auditor.

### 87.4 Internal Audit

It was agreed that Arrow Accounting would carry out the internal audit again this year at a cost of £117.

## 88 PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

SL reported that there was a raised lump in the centre of the carriageway on the Chippinghurst road. DT agreed to inform OCC Highways.

**Action: DT**