CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7th December 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	Robin Baylie	RB
	Colin Hessey	CH
	David Keene	DK
	Paddy McGuinness	PM
	Richard Palmer	RP
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM
Apologies:	Tim Bearder (OCC)	TB
	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG

95 CHAIRMAN
CL attended by video link and so RP was elected chairman.

96 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were no new declarations of interest.

97 CO-OPTION OF A COUNCILLOR
It was unanimously agreed that Robin Baylie should be the new councillor and he took his place at the meeting.

98 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

99 MATTERS ARISING

99.1 Green Canopy Tree Planting
The Parish Council was concerned that there was not enough suitable public space where the trees could be planted. It was agreed that a note should be put in the Newsletter asking for suggestions for planting locations, and the project should be run by an interested group from the community rather than by the Parish Council.

99.2 Road Safety
The Parish Council was not convinced of the need for there to be a 20mph speed limit, but the councillors were interested in discussing the road safety at various locations in the parish with an OCC traffic officer. **Action: MM**

99.3 Footpath Steps
- It was agreed that Dave Thomas would be asked to build both sets of steps at a total cost of £2,430
- £2,000 would be applied for from EG's councillors grant and the remainder would be paid from the CIL fund. **Action: MM**

99.4 Dove House Development
Natta had supplied revised drawings of the lane showing the footpath splay at 12 The Green and the give way markings set back at the entrance to Dove House Lane.

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99.5 CIL Fund

- It was agreed that the community's views would be sought if Cuddesdon Green was refurbished.
- It was agreed that the possibility of registering Cuddesdon Green and the recreation ground as common land should be investigated. **Action: MM**

99.6 Bonfire Night

The finances were:

Ticket receipts	£670.00
Fireworks	£650.00
Food	£112.80
Loss	£92.80

99.7 Dog Bin Emptying

It was agreed that the one remaining dog bin near Parkside should be emptied by the Shield Group. **Action: MM**

99.8 High Street Trees

- The stump of the felled tree had been ground out, although the chippings had not been removed.
- OCC had said they would report shortly on the condition of the adjacent purple leaved plum tree.
- OCC would not replace the felled tree.
- It was agreed to plant two new trees at the location. John Paxton would be asked for his recommendation for the appropriate type of tree. **Action: MM**

99.9 High Street Footpath

OCC had agreed that they would refurbish the footpath near the High Street trees.

99.10 Replacement of the Swings

- Grant application dates were quarterly and the next one was on 1st March 2022.
- The approval procedure took three months with another month for questions after that, so installation was likely later in the summer, if the grant application was successful.
- The grant administration fee was 10.75% of the total cost.
- Four quotes had been received:

Caloo	£7,495.00
Online Playgrounds	£9,477.00
Sutcliffe Play	£13,702.00
Hags	£17,181.13

- It was agreed that Online Playgrounds should be the supplier. The price and specification would be confirmed, and the grant would be applied for. **Action: MM**

99.11 Fallen Trees below the Recreation Ground

It was agreed that New Leaf Tree Surgery should be asked to clear the fallen trees at a cost of £700. They would leave the chippings and stack the wood into habitat piles on site. **Action: MM**

99.12 Carols Around the Tree

Mark Chapman had agreed to lead the singing and ASF had agreed to manage the mince pies and mulled wine.

100 PLANNING

- P21/S4914/HH Chiltern View. Proposed detached garage. It was agreed to support this application.
- P21/S3800/HH and P21/S3802/LB Willow Cottage Denton. Extension and alteration works. These applications had been granted by SODC.

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101 FINANCE

101.1 Payments

SODC	Dog bin emptying Jul-Sep	£215.28
New Leaf Tree Surgery	Recreation ground tree pollarding	£600.00
Fantastic Fireworks	Fireworks	£780.00
Chris Luke	Fireworks food	£96.85
Tasha Turner	Fireworks food	£15.95
Landscape Group	Grass cutting Oct	£170.64
Village Hall	Annual hire	£225.00

101.2 Receipts

All Saints' Church	Wreath	£17.00
SODC	CIL receipt	£3743.84
HMRC	VAT refund	£223.44
	Fireworks tickets	£670.00

101.3 Precept for 2022/23

A budgetary forecast for 2022/23 was presented and it was agreed that the precept should be £8,400.

101.4 Repayment of Neighbourhood Plan Grant

SODC had said it was unusual for excess grant repayments to be made and it was agreed to retain the fund in case it was needed in future.

102 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

ASF requested that OCC were asked about enforcing parking penalties for vehicles left in the disabled space at the village hall or in front of the recreation ground entrance.
Action: MM

ASF asked that Natta put out notices when the road near the Dove House site was muddy.
Action: MM

RP said that it was still the intention to cut back the brambles on the recreation ground but this would be done when the weather improved.

RP thanked all who had helped make bonfire night such a success.

CL was concerned about cars stopping on various roads outside the village. It was suggested that he contacted Neighbourhood Watch about this.

103 CLERK'S BUSINESS

- One of Lynda Ware's children wanted to plant a tree in memory of her father on the triangle of land near the churchyard entrance and it was agreed that this could be done.
- It was agreed to investigate the possibility of combining the Cuddesdon and Denton wards into a single ward since SODC was carrying out a Community Governance Review. It was agreed to ask SODC if the number of councillors would remain at seven if the wards were combined.
Action: MM

Chairman: [signature] **Clerk:** [signature]

Date: 1/2/2022 **Date:** 1.2.22