

# CUDDESDON AND DENTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5th January 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present:	Chris Luke (Chairman)	CL
	David Keene	DK
	Ken Meek	KM
	Richard Palmer	RP
	Michael Raynor	MR
	Arthur Smith-Fitchett	ASF
	Elizabeth Gillespie (SODC)	EG
	Anne Purse (OCC)	AP
	Mike Mount (Clerk)	MM

## 1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

## 2 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

## 3 MATTERS ARISING

### 3.1 Denton Water Main

Thames Water had decided that there were insufficient failures to justify replacement of the water main.

### 3.2 Play Area Changes

ASF agreed to assist CL with the research.

### 3.3 Salt Bin at Parkside

- It was too late for OCC to provide a salt bin for this year.
- The minimum grant available from SSE was £500 and the salt bin would only cost £250.

## 4 PLANNING

- The planning application for erection of a grain store at Slay Barn Farm (P15/S3789/FUL) had been approved by SODC.
- There was a new planning application at Upperfield Farm (P15/S4246/DIS) confirming that there was no contamination at the site. This was a condition of the application for conversion of the barn to a dwelling (P15/S0525/PAR).

## 5 FINANCE

### 5.1 Payments

Arthur Smith-Fitchett	Mulled wine	£40.90
Berinsfield	Grass cutting October	£302.88
M Mount	Salary	£410.55



## 6 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

MR wondered when the wreaths should be removed from the war memorial. CL agreed to investigate. **Action: CL**

MR thought that since 3A Parkside had now been vacated, the housing association should be asked to consider local applicants for it first, and to select residents who were compatible with village life. **Action: MM**

ASF had noticed that cars were being parked on Denton Green and posts had been erected to prevent cars driving off the track. It was agreed that these matters would be investigated by councillors and discussed at the next meeting.

ASF suggested there should be a litter pick. It was agreed that this should be in April and CL would consult Ripon College about the best date when students could assist. **Action: CL**

## 7 COUNTY COUNCIL (AP)

- It was likely that the bus service would cease when OCC's subsidy was removed next summer. Meetings were being set up with the bus operators to discuss this.
- OCC was appealing against the government's proposed further £20M cuts.

## 8 DISTRICT COUNCIL (EG)

- Devolution of the five Oxfordshire councils was likely to occur. Large savings were possible because of shared services and the government was keen for this change.
- Capital grants were available for parish councils between 1st February and 1st April.

## 9 CO-OPTION OF A NEW COUNCILLOR

Since Natasha Turner had resigned as a councillor, applicants for co-option would be advertised in the Newsletter, on the website and on the notice board. Applicants would be considered in March.

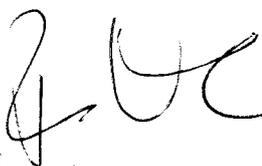
## 10 CLERK'S BUSINESS

It was agreed that Graeme Sellar should be asked to trim the recreation ground hedge. **Action: MM**

## 11 MODIFICATION OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

CL proposed that the financial regulations should be modified so that the rules governing projects costing less than £60,000 had the same constraints as projects costing more than £60,000, as far as the obtaining of three quotations was concerned. It was agreed that the regulations should be redrafted for consideration at the next meeting. **Action MM**

Chairman:



Clerk:



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