

DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Monday 14 January 2019, 7.30pm in the Parish Council Office, Village Hall, Denham.

Attendees	Cllr M Heath (Chairman) (MH) Cllr J Walsh (Vice Chairman) (JW) Cllr K Bowen (KB) Cllr W Davey (WD) Cllr A Hans (AH)	Cllr S Jefferys (SJ) Cllr A Pamment (AP) Cllr M Skelton (MS) Cllr S Sproul (SS) Cllr S Williams (SW)
	Assoc. Edna Austin (EA) Assoc. Marilyn Hagan (MEH) Assoc. Jonathan Huntley (JH)	
Apologies	# Cllr J Newby (JN) ## Cllr G Hollis (GH)	# Cllr R Reed (RR)
Clerk	R Hill	

Apologies received

Apologies not received

	Meeting Minutes	Action
190114/01	Apologies for Absence As noted above	
190114/02	Public Session No Members of Public Present	
190114/03	Notification of any urgent other business To be taken under item 190114/15. - Neighbourhood Planning - HS2 - Second Consultation on the Single Ward - Waste and Minerals	
190114/04	Approval of Parish Council Minutes The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 10 December 2018 were approved by Cllr MH seconded by Cllr AH. Cllr JW commented that there are a number of actions on the minutes which have not been carried forward to the agenda. Matters Arising: 1. To Note - A412 Footway lights – due to the lack of planning by SSE the work was delayed until Thursday 20 December 2018.	
190114/05	Approval of Committee Minutes To approve the minutes of Committee as listed below and any matter arising: Planning Committee Meeting held on 18 December 2018. Presented by Cllr SJ seconded by Cllr SW. Communities Committee held on 18 December 2018. Presented by Cllr SW seconded by Cllr SJ.	

	Cllr WD did not say 'will report back in February' – it had actually been decided that we will discuss it at the next meeting. Cllr WD said he would have liked to have been told that it was decided that there would be no drinks for events. MEH said the silent soldier has not moved. It is not in Willowbank it is in Moorfield Road. Clerk to organise this. Cllr SW has said that the tea dance is not going ahead on the 19th January – Mark (at the Swan Inn) has said he will still contribute i.e perhaps pay for the band and this will be arranged for a later date.	Co Clerk
190114/06	Services Committee 1. Meeting with BP Collins re Cricket Club Lease on Tuesday 15 January. Have an agreement with them now so we will be going ahead with that lease. Discussion has happened regarding the DPC using the cricket club as a meeting place - seems quite hopeful. Cllr MH noted that it is becoming harder and harder to work in the DPC Office so the cricket space is ideal for evening meetings. Clerk has spoken to the School – if this goes ahead, the school will need somewhere for the builders to park – we can ask that they can put down matting and park whilst the school is being built and that they repair the road once they are finished. We have offered to pay £500 for the year in order to have access Monday-Friday (including evenings for our meetings). No objections. Cllr JW said she would prefer them to pay us more – they should be paying us something for their use – they are paying rent (£500) but then we are giving it back to them. Clerk mentioned that prior to the Cricket Club being self-sufficient it used to cost us £14,000 a year (the pitch required 2 cuts a week). Cllr MH advised everyone that we are still in negotiations and nothing is set in stone but she thought it was a good deal for both sides. 2. To discuss the Fields in Trust Draft Non-Charitable Deed of Dedication. Clerk said that because we have a lease with the Cricket Club they have to be party to the covenant between us and the Waye and Tillard – this agreement has to be signed by us, the Cricket Club and the Fields in Trust. The Waye and Tillard was granted to us on a 999 lease, but this agreement is to do everything that is possible to safeguard this ground for recreation purposes for as long as we hold the lease. This is the same arrangement we have at Tatling End. We have not yet approached the Cricket Club about this. Members of the council were told they would email in their agreement as they had not yet had time to read it. Agreement from: Cllr SJ, AP,	Co Clerk

	A412 There are trees that need the canopy raised and some self-seeded trees that need taking down. Estimate is 4-5 days at £640perday for 2 men and equipment including a chipper. To be done ASAP AGREED Cllr SW has said that once it is finished – can a member from the council go and check along with SSE. Cllr AP has said that he is happy to go along and check. He is flexible during the day – 3:30/4:00 is better. The water that ends up as mud – we are chasing TfB re: the drainage. We have talked about temporary sand bags where the kerb is too low. LAF have agreed to raise the granite on the road – no date for this. We are trying to get help from HS2 down the road who may come up with some ideas for us. Once the lights have been finished and paid for we will have some money left over to do something about the flooding. James Martin Close – there are about 5 or 6 trees overhanging gardens needing branches removed. Estimate 2k AGREED Martin Baker – have not come back to us with a date. Allotment trees – there are some self-seeded Ash trees that may have dieback. We were going to wait for them to re-leaf next year but we now want to go ahead and take the trees out. Cllr JW said we need to report if the trees have Ash die back. Cllr MH said they are between the allotment gate and the community centre. They shade the allotments and are preventing us from making the fence more secure, they are also overhanging the road. We are only felling the trees that have self-seeded. At the moment they are not raising a specific threat – this is a preventive action rather than curative. Must bear in mind that if one of the trees was blown over into the road - the DPC would be responsible. Out of all the trees along there, ours are the ones that impede onto the road. AGREED Litter picking – money has been put into the budget for this. We have asked SBDC whether they have suitable vehicles to go along the A412 path & Pyghtle to sweep the leaves – we are going to follow this up as they have not come back to us with enough information. Cllr SW suggested contacting LBH to find out what they have been using. There is a price for litter picking – it would cost £1,335 to cover all areas or if we had it done when they were doing the grass cutting it would be £580 per cut. Cllr SW said the majority of the litter is on the A412 on the roads over 30mph. Cllr SW said that it should be litter picked before and after the grass cut. Our next grass cut is in March.	ALL Cllr AP Clerk Clerk Clerk
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	Clerk to find out what the rota is for the litter picking and what the route is – we need a programme from them. Cllr JW would favour getting the litter picked ahead of the grass cutting in March. AGREED to wait until March for the litter pick to be done together with grass cutting. JH requested couple of litter pickers and high-vis jackets for the allotments. Denham Village Lights – going to cost a lot of money to get them changed. There is £25k in the budget but it may be under £20k. Work is scheduled to be done in this financial year. Play area at Waye and Tillard – we need some thoughts. The play area itself has nothing very much in it except a climbing frame. Cllr MS mentioned from the path you can see possible badger hole. Cllr JW said there was something circulated about funding for small play areas but Cllr SW said she doesn't think there is any way we can apply. Cllr JW will have a look. Cllr MS said we should take it down and clear it. Cllr MH suggested putting the outdoor gym there as we had funding for it. AGREED that the outdoor gym would be put there and the fencing to be removed (it needs repairing anyway). Removal of the play equipment will cost £900. You cannot reallocate removed play equipment.	Cllr JW
190114/07	Matters dealt with under Urgent Action since Last Meeting None.	
190114/08	Chairman's Report 1. Parish Council Elections. 2. Structural Changes Order for the Implementation of The New Unitary Buckinghamshire Council'. District Councils will cease on 31st March 2020.	
190114/09	Reports from County Councillor Not in attendance but sends his apologies. Cllr MH spoke to him and he said £450 should be on its way – Cllr MH said she had agreed we would like to donate to the luncheon clubs. Cllr WD asked that a report be sent in if Cllr RR cannot make the meeting. AGREED that we should ask for a quick email of what is happening.	
190114/10	Reports from District Councilor's None.	
190114/11	Reports from Outside Bodies None.	
190114/12	Other Reports	

	1. Cllr AP Reported on meetings held with Sgt James Ellis Cllr AP met with him and has brought with him a written report to the meeting. Item 1 – losing support of the public – please get specific examples. Would like to get more things from members of the public. MEH mentioned that there was a lot on Facebook i.e people walking up drives and looking through a neighbours window etc. AGREED that we should name and shame and send it to the press. Cllr AP said he will put something on the Facebook about how to report and encourage them to report. Item 2 – brought up the issue of the parking problems – name and shame campaign – an open letter can be sent to the police. Sgt Ellis brought up the MVAS – device that flashes up if you exceed speed limit & records time of day you get most speeding vehicles. Discussed that it was just another thing for us (DPC) to act on rather than the police to take action. AGREED that we will invite Sgt Ellis to our annual parish council meeting – When inviting him to attend, ask for his inspector to attend if he cannot make it. Also AGREED to ask him to the next Parish meeting as well. Thanks to Cllr AP for meeting with him & doing the report. Clerk to fix the Annual meeting – waiting for the village hall to come back to us with a date. Votes = 4 for the large room – Votes = 5 for the small room but after further discussion AGREED to go for the bigger hall. Cllrs SW/SJ Said we will look at getting some info stalls in there.	Clerk
190114/13	Correspondence List Noted.	
190114/14	Financial Matters and Reports 1. To note current Bank Balance including 100k in the metro bank 2. Income and Expenditure Report – noted 3. Payments Approved and those to Approve. – £3,433 – APPROVED 4. To approve 2019/2020 Budget to be discussed in part 2 1. To Agree the Denham Village Green Trust Annual Return – we are required to approve as Trustees. APPROVED. 2. Grant Applications for 2019	

	We have received 4 applications for grants, two of which were unnecessary following the decision in 2018 to automatically award funding for the Luncheon Clubs and the Youth club – Grant requests received 1. Age Concern Luncheon Club – AGREED 2. Madelaine Paton Luncheon Club – AGREED To Decide on the following Applications 3. Denham Allotment Users Association – Grant Requested £250 APPROVAL for – Denham Allotment Users Association- £250 – APPROVED 4. Denham Cricket Club – Grant Requested £850 - for service and fuel costs for the next year – After long discussions and Cllr's MH & AH explaining the lease agreement & that from now on they were standing on their own two feet it was AGREED 5. Denham Bowls Club – Grant Requested £440 AGREED.	
190114/15	Other Urgent Business (as agreed under 190114/03) Neighbourhood Planning – Cllr MH has received many apologies. Neil Homer the consultant is disappointed and the input from Councillors has been poor. We no longer have a Chairman. Cllr MH will chair it until we find someone else. Cllr MH has a meeting on Friday with SBDC to discuss the local plan. Cllrs SJ, SW, KB and MS will attend NP on Wednesday. Would appreciate as many people in attendance as possible. Service Station, M25 We all have a personal invite to discuss the new M25 Service Station. Cllrs JW and KB attended a HS2 meeting re: their lorries. Person from HS2 is going to drive Cllr KB around to put up notices so that residents know about it. Cllr SW has also spoken to her and advised her to put up a notice on the website. Single Ward – there is a meeting on Wednesday to consider our requests. We have 4 in support and hopefully it will get through on a vote. Waste and Minerals – given the appalling situation we have faced, we want to say we have direct difficulties with the present quarry and try and get them to monitor the impact on the community.	Clerk
190114/16	Part 2 Confidential Members Only	

	Minutes and matters arising from meeting on 10th December 2018 – proposed by Cllr MH – seconded by Cllr AH. Agreed budget proposals: Cllr AH – note that the Chairmen have spent the past 3 months or so going through the budgets for next year. We have spent lots of time discussing various elements of the budget. Estimated budget of around £435,000 with an estimated income of £38,000. For first time – our ear marked reserves = cash. The Precept we are asking for is £394,000 which is very slightly higher than last year. Vote on £394,000 ALL AGREED.	
	Date of Next Meeting To confirm the date of the next meeting is on Monday 11 February 2019 starting at 7.30pm with a Public Session in the Parish Council Office.	

Upcoming Meetings and Events

7.15pm	Wednesday	16 January 2019	Neighbourhood Planning Meeting
7.30pm,	Monday	21 January 2029	Services Meeting
7.00pm	Tuesday	29 January 2019	Planning Committee
8.00pm	Tuesday	29 January 2019	Communities Committee

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