DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13th APRIL 2015 IN DOLTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.40PM

Apologies: none

Present: Cllr J Lock – Chairman, Cllrs C Giles, N Walker, S Jury, R Dunn, A Haynes, J Rolls, M Grigg the Clerk, and 3 member of the public.

Members were invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting.

CllrsLock and Jury declared an interest in matters relating to Dolton and Dowland Village Hall.

PUBLIC SESSION – The Council were asked if they had been aware of the size of the new log cabins being erected at Acorn Farm Park. Transporting them through the village had caused considerable problems. Reply – a majority of the problems had been caused by parked cars being in the way. In the future it would be wise to ensure the road was cleared in advance.

135(14/15) MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2nd March 2015 having been circulated were agreed and signed as being a true and correct record.

136(14/15) CLERKS REPORT- All Christmas tree lights have been returned and stored away in the village hall. The bus shelter in the square has been repaired by David Lock as Simon Brant was unavailable. Nothing has been heard back from TDC planners regarding erecting bollards at the bus shelter. There has been no response from the Dolton Youth Committee following the letter sent following the last meeting. As only 7 electors have stood for election they will automatically be elected and it will be necessary to co opt two more by 26th June. The clerk thanked all councillors for their help and patience whilst she learnt the processes and jargon associated with the job of clerk over the last two years. She especially thanked the chairman John Lock whose help and depth of knowledge about Dolton had been invaluable.

137(14/15) CORRESPONDENCE

CORRESPONDENT	SUBJECT	ACTION
DALC	News letters	Email and reading fille
TDC	Local Plan – proposed main changes – on disc	
CAB	Thank you for donation	noted
Grant Thornton	Audit forms	
Clerks and councils direct	newsletter	Reading file
SLLC	newsletter	Reading file
Healthwatch	Voices newsletter	Reading file
Barry and Janice Hunt	Request to come on to football field to lower their llandii at the Retreat	agreed
Terry Hart	Problems of HGV's following satnav up Stafford hill	Forwarded to DCC highways – their reply in reading file
Torridge Volunteer Cars	Poster advertising their services	Reading file, notice board
TDC	Uncontested Parish election -2 new councillors to be co opted on by 26 th June 2015	,

138(14/15)FINANCE

a)Accounts to pay 13th April 2015

Name	Item	Vat	Total	Cheque No
Mrs W Holland	Home office –March-£10.00, stamps£6.36		16.36	804
D & D Village Hall	February meeting		8.00	805
Mr M Lock	Caretaker service		117.00	806
Mr M Lock	Supplies inc new toilet seat		35.08	807
Mr D Lock	Grass cutting monthly charge - £170.50 +£8.00		178.50	808
	basketball court cut			
Mr D Lock	Repairs to bus shelter		80.00	809
South West Water	Standing charge for water17/12-2/3		11.54	810
TDC	Charge for payroll service	24.00	144.00	811
Playsafety	Dennis Cross – annual inspection	16.60	99.60	812
Ltd(RSPoA)				
DALC	Annual membership	25.90	197.99	813

Prosposed - Cllrs Giles, and Dunn

Cheque signatories - Cllrs Grigg and Wlaker

Invoices checked by - Cllr Haynes

b) income - WW1 memorial grant £1136.44, DCC school rent £250.00, HMRC vat repayment £227.04, Dolton FC ground rent £5.00.

balance in current account £9065.39 -30/3/15

c) 4th quarter budget report – attached to minutes

139(14/15) PLANNING

- a) Applications to consider none
- b) Permissions granted- none
- c) Permissions refused none WARD COUNCILLOR R LOCK ARRIVED
- d) Any other planning matters 72 Stafford Way. –Cllr Haynes was still unhappy about the response from TDC about the Parish Councils letter of complaint. It was agreed he should draft a further letter asking for clarification on how procedures had been followed. Cllr R Lock offered to take the letter in person to David Green of TDC planning department to seek his response.

140(2014/15) PARISH GROUNDS

- a) Football field i) school lease the clerk had contacted Stones solicitors who had promised to get back to her soon. ii) land registration the clerk had checked with the land registry and it appeared that the field was not registered. The clerk was asked to enquire with Stones Solicitors on the necessary steps to be taken to register the field and how much it may cost.
- b) Dennis Cross i)RoSPA had carried out the annual inspection of the play area. Most problems identified were already in hand for repair. There was one query. It was stated that the Adult Gym equipment was not working. Cllr Dunn stated his weekly inspection did not uphold this finding. He would contact the inspector to query this. ii) quotes for repairs Cllr Dunn had received an estimate from David Lock for approx. £750 for the identified repairs required. Proposed this be accepted Cllr Jury, seconded Cllr Rolls. Martin Lock to be asked to repair the bin which has broken.
- c) Memorial Garden the restoration grant had been awarded and the money received. It was agreed the Parish Council should provide the rest of the money for the project. Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Dunn. David Lock had sprayed and raked the moss on the grass once but would repeat the procedure.

141 (2014/15) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC

- a) Pride in Our Village Day 25th April, trees up Rectory Road to be tidied up.
- b) Rectory Road Well Devon Highways had been contacted about the state of the fencing around the well but said not their responsibility. Cllr Dunn suggested a wall be built around it to make it look like a proper well, a feature at the entrance of the village. Agenda item for next month.

142 (2014/15) TAP FUND- the positioning of the old seat is still being considered.

143(2014/15) MEETINGS ATTENDED – Cllr Dunn said the Dolton Youth Committee had met and the Parish Council should be receiving a letter from them.

144(14/15) MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE CHAIR

The Clerk had drawn up a poster advertising for co opted Councillors. To be placed in the Diary and on noticeboards.

THE DATE OF THE AGM AND NEXT MEETING WAS CHANGED TO MONDAY 11TH May 2015. All Councillors to arrive early to sign necessary paperwork.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

There was then a Part 2 and	l members of the public	were asked to leave the room.

SignedDate	
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