

# **DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019** **IN DOLTON VILLAGE HALL, at 7.30 pm**

### **PUBLIC SESSION :**

- One member of the public, speaking on behalf of the owners, wanted to ask the Parish Council if there were any preferred building outcomes if a field below the Wisteria development was built on. The Local Plan was examined and it was pointed out that this field was outside the permitted development area. The Parish Council had no other comment.
- C.Cllr Andrew Saywell advised the meeting that the County Council Budget had been increased from £478m to £493m. There would be significant increases to Children's Services (£12m increase) Adult Services (£4.5m increase) with a capital increase to Highways. Major work to improve West Lane was hoped for. It was noted that Brook Road was also in a similar state of disrepair. It was also noted that residents could report problems by going to [devon.cc/report-it](http://devon.cc/report-it) or by phoning Highways on 0345 1551004.
- Ward Cllr Lock had sent a report as she had been unable to attend the meeting. The Council Tax will rise by £5 per year for a Band D property. The Ward Cllr's Grant had awarded the Scouts £288 which, added to the Parish Council Community Grant, had enabled the Scouts to purchase new camping equipment.

### **PRESENT:**

Cllr Lock (Chair); Cllrs Dunn, Giles, Haynes, Herniman, Martindale, Rendell, Rolls.

Cllr A Saywell

Clerk L Morris

8 members of the public

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

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:

- Cllr J Lock: matters relating to the Village Hall;
- Cllr S Martindale: personal interest arising from a shared boundary with the Acorn Farm Lodges' site, and any matters relating to Devon Wildlife Trust

### **132 (18/19) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr N Walker and Ward Cllr R Lock.

### **133 (18/19) MINUTES:**

The Draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 had been circulated. They were agreed by all to be correct and signed as a true record.

### **134 (18/19) MATTERS ARISING**

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Actions arising from the last meeting were reviewed. A suggestion which was generally supported was to create an Information Point in the Telecoms Box, with a map and other local information. To be considered further at the next meeting.

### 135 (18/19)CLERK'S REPORT:

There were no matters to report not otherwise on the agenda.

### 136 (18/19) CORRESPONDENCE:

The list of correspondence received was reviewed.

Ref	Date	Correspondent	Content	Action
12/1	13/2/19	TDC	Connecting to Nature Scheme	Information
12/2	18/2/19	St Edmund's PCC	Hire request for fete on either May 18th or June 1st	Decision
12/3	26/2/19	Devon Comm Together	Invitation to housing seminar	Information
12/4	26/2/19	Devon Comm Together	Information about Planning & Resilience Forum	Information
12/5	1/3/19	Royale Life	Re moving lodges to Acorn Farm site	Response

It was agreed that either of the dates for the St Edmund's fete would be acceptable.

### 137 (18/19) TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) The proposed payments were scrutinised and approved for payment.

Payee	Date of Invoice		GROSS	Inc VAT	Cq
Alumnis Academy Trust	1/2/19	Community Graent Toddler Group	300.		1117
Dolton Scout Group	1/2/19	Community Grant	300.		1118
St Edmund's Church	1/2/19	Community Grant for Churchyard Maintenance	300.		1119
Friends of Dolton First Responders	1/2/19	Community Grant	300.		1120
D&D Village Hall	1/3/19	Hall Hire	8.		1121
Mr M Lock	27/2/19	Caretaking	120.		1122
Linda Morris	28/2/19	Home Office	10.		1123
Mr D Lock	28/2/19	Grass Cutting	255.		1124
The Royal Oak Public House	28/2/19	For utilities in toilet in Square 2017/18 &2018/19	193.72		1125
<b>Total</b>			<b>1786.72</b>		

The Payments were checked by Cllr Haynes. Cheque payments were proposed by Cllr Rendell and seconded by Cllr Herniman. Cheques were signed by Cllr Dunn and Cllr Giles.

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- b) No Receipts after the 15/2/19 were reported. It was noted that £500 had been received from C.Cllr Saywell's Locality Grant towards the cost of the speed signs.
- c) Bank Reconciliation. The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation to 15 February 2019:

<b>BANK RECONCILIATION TO 15 FEBRUARY 2019</b>			
<b>Balance at bank 15/02/19</b>			
<b>Current Ac sheet 181</b>	<b>16,731.15</b>		
<b>Reserve Ac sheet 75</b>	<b>1,150.96</b>		
<b>95 Day Ac sheet 59</b>	<b>41,670.61</b>		
<b>Less un-presented cqs at 15/02/19</b>	<b>42.98</b>	<b>cq no</b>	<b>amount</b>
		<b>1108</b>	<b>10.00</b>
		<b>1114</b>	<b>6.00</b>
		<b>1115</b>	<b>26.98</b>
			<b>42.98</b>
<b>Plus un-cleared credits at 15/02/18</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
<b>Total Balance at bank at 15/02/18</b>	<b>59,509.74</b>		
<b>Cash Book</b>			
<b>Opening Balance from accounts at 1/4/18</b>	<b>43,209.10</b>		
<b>Less payments to 15.02.19</b>	<b>11,387.54</b>		
<b>Plus receipts to 15.02.19</b>	<b>27,688.18</b>		
<b>Closing balance per cash book at 15.02.19</b>	<b>59,509.74</b>		
<b>Variance</b>	<b>0.00</b>		

- d) Any other financial matters.  
Online banking. This to be progressed.

### **138 (18/19) TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) Applications to consider: there were none
- b) Applications granted – there were none
- c) Application withdrawn – there were none
- d) Applications refused – there were none
- e) Any other planning matters.
  - i) The letter from Royale Homes explaining that four lodges would be delivered to site in the near future was discussed. It was agreed that a reply would be sent advising that, to make arrangements for the safe and unobstructed delivery of the lodges, Royale Homes should contact: the school; the

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residents in Fore Street and out of courtesy the neighbouring landowners who share a boundary with the site. Posting details on the Dolton and Dowland Facebook page so residents would be aware would be suggested. It would be essential for Royale Homes to carry out a Risk Assessment. Cllr A Saywell offered to check with Highways to find out if there were any regulations or guidance.

- ii) An application for three 'glamping units' which would have been circulated to the Chairman of the Dowland Parish Council Committee were briefly discussed. There were no objections.

### **139 (18/19) PARISH GROUNDS. Matters Relating to:**

- a) Car Park. Cllr Rendell had made an initial enquiry about a barrier for the car park. Example costs for a 6m wide steel barrier would be between £400-£450. It was agreed that this would be considered at the next meeting.
- b) Football Field. It was reported that the electrics for the Air Ambulance had not been working.
- c) Dennis Cross. Cllr Rolls confirmed that the report had been updated prior to the inspection.
- d) Memorial Garden. Nothing was reported.
- e) Half Barrel Planters. It was agreed to publicise the sponsorship of the half barrels again.
- f) It was agreed that the Village Cleanup Day will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> April at 10 am.

### **140 (18/19) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC ISSUES**

- a) Speed signs on Rectory Road. Cllr Rendell reported that as there was no electricity available at the proposed site, a solar powered supply would be necessary.
- b) Toilet in the Village Square. The village hall toilet refurbishment will be able to help with repairs to the public convenience in The Square. There was likely to be no cost for labour.

### **141 (18/19) FOOTBALL CLUB FACILITIES**

Dates are being agreed for a meeting of the working committee to start discussions with the football club and a possible user.

### **142 (18/19) VERBAL REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED.**

No meetings had been attended.

### **143 (18/19) ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR FOR INFORMATION ONLY.**

There were no items brought forward by the Chair for information only.

Signed ..... Date .....