

DODFORD WITH GRAFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting of Dodford with Grafton Parish Council held on Thursday 21 October 2010 in Dodford Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Richard Harper (Chairman), John Caldicott, Adrian Crump, Vic Dawson, Alwyn Rea, Jill Silver and Clerk Kay Stone

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Lynne Griffin and accepted.

2. Declarations of interest

None declared.

The meeting was adjourned for members of the public to raise matters of interest/items for the next agenda:

- i. Hedge in Priory Road opposite Village Hall is now being worked on.
- ii. Police are surveying scrap metal merchants.
- iii. Worcestershire County Council (WCC) is currently photographing historical buildings in the village.
- iv. PACT meeting in Bournheath – still problems with vehicles going to and from Bumble Hole Foods.
- v. New Police Sergeant – Laura Wright.
- vi. Proposed creation of an elected Police Commissioner in 2012. To be added as an agenda item for November meeting.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 9 September 2010

Approval of the Minutes was proposed by Cllr Harper and seconded by Cllr Rea after which they were signed by the Council Chairman as being a true record.

4. Reports

- i. A report on the CALC AGM was given which highlighted elderly care proposals and strategy which will be incorporated in to the revised Parish Plan.
- ii. The Clerk reported that:
 - a. Local MP, Sajid Javid, has accepted the invitation to attend the Parish Council AGM on 19 May 2011 subject to parliamentary duties. The Clerk was asked to send all the 2011 dates to Sajid.
 - b. The Nursery reminds parents in each newsletter about consideration to residents when parking and turning in neighbour's driveways.
 - c. On her attendance at the Monitoring Officer Liaison Meeting at BDC for Clerks the previous week.

5. Planning

- i. Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 4 October had already been circulated.
- ii. The appeal for the wind turbines on land off Berry Lane has been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate
- iii. The next Planning Committee Meeting to be held on 2 November at 10.30am subject to availability of the Hall.

6. Parish Plan Review

A meeting is to be set up between the volunteers from the Parish Council and the residents.

7. Speeding restrictions through the Parish

There was no update from WCC on this matter and the Clerk was asked to leave this as an agenda item for the November meeting after requesting an update from WCC. The Clerk was also asked to enquire about possible slow signs or cats eyes for the wall outside the Clock House in Fockbury Road.

8. Commemorative stone celebrating 150th anniversary of the Chartists first occupation of cottages in Dodford

The Clerk has written to Dodford Society so ask if they have any comments to make on the upkeep of this stone.

9. Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy Consultation

No observations from the Parish Council as the Waste Core Strategy has no immediate impact on the Parish.

10. Communication

The Parish Council Christmas newsletter was circulated and accepted.

11. Finance

- i. The Bank Reconciliation as at the end of September 2010 was noted.
- ii. The budget update was noted and the Clerk was asked to ascertain from CALC as to whether the precept will be capped. There should also be an amount allowed for the 2011 election.
- iii. Approval of the payments due for October set out in a schedule circulated by the Clerk were proposed by Cllr Dawson and seconded by Cllr Rea.

10. Dates for 2011

The dates for Parish Council meetings in 2011 were noted and accepted.

12. Correspondence received

- i. Items of correspondence received since the last meeting were noted.

- ii. The Clerk was asked to invite Rebecca Aubrey-Fletcher, Property Manager for the National Trust to the November meeting to talk about Rosedene.

11. Councillors Items

- i. Cllr Rea repeated Mr Stan Badham's invitation to the Parish Council to look round The Priory and the Council asked him to enquire if either the 14th or 21st November would be convenient.
- ii. Cllr Harper reported on communication he had received from Birmingham Partnership on Age Well Bromsgrove and the Clerk was asked to invite Ian Anderson, Project Manager, to a future meeting to discuss this project.

The meeting closed at 8.43pm.

Signed.....Chairman