

## Meeting of Dodderhill Parish Council on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016

### 1. PRESENT

Councillors: S. Austin (Chairman), M. Jones (Vice Chair), J. Harrigan, A. Judge, A. Brown, J. Campbell, R. Cooke  
District Councillor H. Hamilton.

### 2. APOLOGIES

P. Povey, Mrs. A. Keane. County Councillor M. Broomfield

### 3. CHAIRMANS STATEMENT (ATTACHED TO MINUTES)

Prior to Public Comments and the Business of the Meeting the Chairman read out a prepared statement regarding Council Meeting procedure.

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Public Meeting arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016 with Highways England to discuss Smart Motorway works and noise issues.
2. **Footpath Link to School Road**  
Fortis Housing Association were aware of the poor state of ground, no action taken. Enquiries to be made.
3. **Puffin Crossing A38**  
Inquiries to County Highways when the crossing would be operational.
4. **Noise Monitor – Jasmine Gardens**  
The developer confirmed they were complying with Wychavon planning conditions regarding noise assessment.

### 5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

### 6. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Mr. Joseph Ward had put his name forward for co-option to the Parish Council. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Harrigan that Mr. Joseph Ward be co-opted on to Dodderhill Parish Council, seconded by Councillor Lady Judge. Carried.

### 7. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

### 8. MATTERS ARISING

1. **Suds Pond – Jasmine Gardens**  
Developer confirmed the system was operating effectively, record heavy rainfall in December had contributed to the water level problem.
2. **Wychbold Hall Site**  
Pond – fenced.

### 9. POLICE REPORT

1. Three incidents reported in January, two dealt with successfully, third ongoing inquiry.
2. February – Unsuccessful car theft.

### 10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No planning applications

## **11. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

1. Enforcement questionnaire on line.
2. Enforcement Officer to monitor Leisure Centre progress at Wychbold Hall site.

## **12. PROJECTS**

### **12.1. Youth Club**

- 1.1 YMCA youth representative invited to attend Parish Council Meeting to discuss Youth Club matters.

### **12.2. Fiona's Orchard**

- 2.1 Nothing to report.

### **12.3. Amenities – 106 Funding**

- 1.1 A site meeting had taken place with two design consultants. Awaiting for the report from Bellingo Design before discussion on future projects.

### **12.5. Smart Motorway**

- 1.1 Proposals / Acoustic Fencing  
Councillor Lady Judge urged the Council to postpone the Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> February with Highways England until more evidence was gathered and the local MP could be present.
- 1.2 Noise Survey  
The mandatory 50mph speed limit currently operating would prevent a true noise level reading.
- 1.3 The Chairman and District Councillor took the view that the Meeting should go ahead as planned, the proposed acoustic fencing could be discussed.  
A vote was taken, five in favour of the Meeting going ahead, two against. (Carried).

### **12.6. H.M. Queen 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**

- 1.1 The Council were prepared to support individuals or groups who wished to organize a celebration.

## **13. MATTERS FOR ACTION.**

### **13.1. New Homes Bonus**

- 1.1 **Bench Seating**  
Benches ordered

### **13.2. Disabled swing**

- 1.1 The Council were unable to consider any special requests unless received in writing or in person at a Parish Council Meeting.

### **13.3. Barrier – Car Park Community Hall**

- 1.1 Meeting closed to allow public participation. Parking issues were anticipated with parents who parked their vehicles when collecting children from school also school staff who regularly made use of the facility.  
It was generally accepted that measures had to be taken to address the misuse.  
Meeting re-opened.

**13.4. Defibrillator**

1.1 £400 received from County Councillor Broomfield's members fund.

**13.5. Website Policy (see attached)**

1.1 The official Dodderhill website via Worcestershire County Council. It was unanimously agreed to adopt protocol and close the two community sites.

**13.6. Litter Proposal – Engage litter picker / cleansing contractor**

1.1 Close Meeting to allow public participation.  
The existing bollards to be removed to provide additional parking.  
The car park and surrounding grass area required regular maintenance.  
Meeting re-opened.

1.2 A quotation of £50.00 per visit was accepted. Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Cooke, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Brown. Carried.

**13.7. Handyman**

1.1 It was agreed the handyman should continue to collect litter from the playing fields and car park.

**14. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled parking place at School Road.

**2. Bursary Award.**

The Council wished to congratulate Councillor Mike Jones and resident John Brown in achieving recognition in the Wychavon Bursary Awards.

**15. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Cheques were drawn in favour of:

Barrie Beard £1,512.00 (External lighting). David Miles £40.00 (Playground inspection). £182.00 (Lengthsman). Worcestershire County Council £834,36 (Street light maintenance).

Mr. Croton £60.00 (Handyman). Barrie Beard Ltd £894.00 (MUGA lights). BT Payment Services Ltd £93.56 (Internet connection). Wychbold Village Hall £36.00 (Room Hire). £195.00 (TFR to Village Hall account – cost of window repair. Mr. M. Jones £28.00 (Expenses). Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Councillor Ward.

**16. PARISH MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

No parish matters for discussion

**17. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS**

1. Quotations received for replacement doors and windows. An application to be prepared for NHB funding.
2. A Health and Safety inspection had been carried out, it was reported that the cleaning was not up to standard. Action.  
A commercial clean was required.
3. In future all trustees should be given the opportunity to attend Health and Safety inspections.
4. Key Box – To be fixed to the outside wall of the caretaker's house.

This concluded the Business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9:25pm