

Minutes of Dodderhill Parish Council Meeting on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

**1. PRESENT.**

Councillors: S. Austin (Chairman), M. Jones, P. Povey, Mrs. J. Harrigan, Lady Anne Judge, Mrs. R. Cooke, Mrs. A. Keane, Mrs J. Campbell.  
County Councillor Peter Tomlinson.

**2. APOLOGIES.**

Councillor J. Ward. District Councillor H. Hamilton.

**3. NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

**4. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS.**

Mrs. Suzanne Shinn and Mrs. Joanne Lammas had put their names forward for co-option. It was unanimously agreed they should be co-opted on to the Council.

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.**

**6. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**7. MATTERS ARISING.**

**1. MOTOR BIKE SCRAMBLING ON LAND AT STOKE ROAD.**

Wychavon Enforcement and Worcester Regulatory Services were monitoring events, the site was considered unsuitable for the activity, however fourteen events were allowed in a year.

**8. POLICE REPORT.**

Several thefts of garden equipment and damage to allotments.  
Criminal damage to vehicles and theft of a car from Amphlett Way.  
Burglary – Amphlett Way.

**9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

1. 35, Impney Green, Droitwich - Single storey extension – decision at the discretion of planners.
2. Kendal, Chequers Lane – Bedroom extension above existing garage – No objection.

**10. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Absent on holiday.

**COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT.**

The Chairman welcomed the newly elected County Councillor Peter Tomlinson and wished him every success in his new role.

County Councillor Tomlinson thanked the Chairman, he was keen to assist the Council and looked forward to a good working relationship.

## **11. PROJECTS.**

### **1. YOUTH CLUB**

As previously agreed the Parish Council will cover the cost of two youth workers for twelve months and Community Hall room hire. Total cost £3,351. 50, less £1,093. 17 from remaining Youth Club fund. Room hire to be paid direct to Community Hall. Two half year payments of £1,808. 33.

An application to be made for grant funding from County Councillor Tomlinson's members divisional fund.

### **2. FIONA'S ORCHARD**

Nothing further.

### **3. VISION DESIGN. BELLINGER LANDSCAPE – QUESTIONNAIRE**

Two options for consideration.

Councillor Mrs Keane had prepared an extensive illustrated questionnaire, which she submitted to District Councillor Hamilton as although not yet agreed by the Parish Council could he comment as to it meeting Wychavon requirements.

The Chairman reminded Councillor Mrs Keane that at the Meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016 it had been agreed by the Parish Council that the options would be brought before the Parish Council meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 for consideration before proceeding further. A heated exchanges followed.

Councillor Mrs Shinn and Councillor Mrs Lammas agreed to review both questionnaires and report at the next Meeting. All in agreement.

### **4. M5 SMART MOTORWAY**

Highways England to clarify exact location of planting.

### **5. BARRIER – COMMUNITY HALL**

An adjustment to bolt on gate had been necessary.

## **12. MATTERS FOR ACTION**

### **1. SMART WATER PROPOSAL**

80% of the Parish to register their interest before NHB funding would be allocated.

An advertisement in Parish Link to measure response.

### **2. WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED EXTENTION TO WYCHBOLD SCHOOL. REQUEST FOR ACCCESS**

Formal planning application notice received.

### **3. SCHOOL EMERGENCY ACCESS REQUEST**

Vehicular access to the site involved removing a section of the boundary fence, it was suggested by the school that the aperture be replaced with two gates for emergency access to school grounds. The Council agreed to the suggestion but specified that access would be for emergency use only.

### **4. DEFIBRILLATOR – PROGRESS**

McDonalds had donated £200.

Full updated schedule next Meeting.

### **5. STOKE ROAD BOUNDARY FENCE**

Hedge cutting to be carried out followed by erection of fence.

**6. APPOINTMENT OF PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTOR**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Keane and seconded by Councillor Mrs Harrigan that Mr Martin Hill be appointed Play Equipment Inspector for a monthly fee of £40.00. Carried.

**7. BOLLARDS – PLAYING FIELDS**

A quotation of £413.00 (including VAT) to supply and fit two removable bollards was accepted.

**8. TREE SURGERY**

Expert opinion had recommended that the crown of a large oak tree on the playing fields should be reduced by 40%. Quotation next Meeting.

**9. COUNCIL VACANCIES**

Councillors were keen to encourage candidates from the outer regions of the Parish.

**13. FINANCE**

Cheques were drawn in favour of:

Mr. B. Addy - £60.00 (5 weeks) (Handyman). P.R. & F.P. Davenport £2,650.00 (Allotment Fencing). Mrs. G. Pinfield quarter year salary £1,578.00. HMRC £22.00 (PAYE). Wychbold Village Hall £36.00 (Room Hire). David Miles £180.00 (Lengthsman). Mrs. G. Pinfield £361.30 (Expenses – six months). Bryan Richards Tree Surgery £150.00 (Tree Inspection). 1<sup>st</sup> Call Stairways £508.80 (Repair to play equipment and notice installation). Wychbold Village Hall £1,000.00 (Donation). Proposed by Councillor Mrs Keane, seconded by Councillor Mrs Cooke.

**14. PARISH MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. The litter bin on A38 at lay-by opposite McDonalds was regularly overflowing, a larger one to be considered.
2. A replacement sign in Wychbold woods was required.

**15. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS**

1. The Hall was again in financial crisis, the Council agreed to a subsidy of £1,000.00.
2. Internal security – Discuss next Meeting.

. There being No Further Matters for Discussion the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.50pm