DODFORD WITH GRAFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting of Dodford with Grafton Parish Council held on Thursday 27 January 2011 in Dodford Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs John Caldicott, Vic Dawson, Lynne Griffin, Alwyn Rea, Jill Silver and Clerk Kay Stone

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Adrian Crump and Richard Harper and accepted.

2. Declarations of interest

- i. Personal interests none declared
- ii. Prejudicial interests none declared

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

- i. Grit bin in Warbage Lane is empty
- ii. Grit bin required corner of Church Road and Victoria Road
- iii. Consider changing priorities on Victoria Road and Church Road so that Victoria Road is a clear run
- iv. A resident spoke of his Movement to Music following a stroke and one of the Councillors offered to deliver an Age Well questionnaire to him as he is interested in holding a local class

3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 16 December 2010

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

4. Reports

- i. The Clerk reported that she has the Register of Electors for 2010/11
- ii. The Clerk advised that she is due to receive the Parish Clerk pack for the Parish Elections at the end of February / early March and circulated the Election Time Table
- iii. The Clerk was still waiting for a reply from the new Enforcement Officer, Ian Mackay, inviting him to the next planning meeting

5. Planning

- i. No meeting has been held since 16 December
- ii. No other planning issues have arisen

6. Parish Plan Review

Cllr Rea reported on his attendance at the Parish Forum, particularly on the Localities Bill and its implications. Parish Plans are likely to be replaced by Neighbourhood Plans and it was agreed to continue dialogue and not lose sight of resident's wishes at the May 2009 meeting.

7. 5th Parish Conference – 12 April 2011

The Clerk was asked to propose the following agenda items to CALC:

- i. CALC to invite someone from Worcestershire County Council (WCC) to discuss Neighbourhood plans
- ii. CALC to invite someone from WCC or Bromsgrove District Council (BDC) to talk about their policy on wind turbines
- iii. Suggest to CALC that the Government's intention to devolve some decision making to community level should feature prominently on the Agenda

8. Finance

- i. The Bank Reconciliation as at the end of December 2010 was noted
- ii. Approval of the payments due for January set out in a schedule circulated by the Clerk were proposed by Cllr Dawson and seconded by Cllr Griffin

9. Correspondence received

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

10. Councillors Items

- i. Cllr Dawson would the Parish Council to contribute to The Village Magazine and will bring a copy to the next meeting
- ii. Cllr Rea reported further on his attendance at the Parish Forum:
 - a. Lickey Parish Council has been disbanded
 - b. Draft town centre area action plan out for consultation
 - c. BDC Democracy Week 28 February
 - d. 27 March 2011 is National Census Day and the Clerk was asked to include this information in the Parish Magazine contribution
 - e. BDC Disabled Access Award Scheme
 - f. BDC has to cut their budget by 27% over two years
 - g. BDC looking seriously at Dial-A-Ride scheme

The meeting closed at 8.53pm

Signed.....Chairman