

## MINUTES OF THE DENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3 December 2013 VILLAGE HALL MEETING ROOM

Attendees: Cllr S Smith, Cllr R Wright, Cllr J Payne, Cllr C Vernon (in chair), Cllr B Hinton, Cllr E Edmunds, Cllr S Ratcliffe & Cllr P Reid and Borough Cllr Smith.

Apologies: None

1. **MINUTES:** of the meeting held 5 November were approved & signed.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** S Ratcliffe (16a)
3. **MATTERS ARISING/CLERK'S REPORT**
  - a. 2014/15 Budget Setting. Agreed to keep Parish tax rate the same as 2013/14.
  - b. Denstone Show accounts. Noted
  - c. New Councillor. Process of co-option has begun
4. **ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION:** *a summary of the items raised is shown at the end of the minutes*
5. Planning (**Permitted & Refused** are decisions by ESBC)
  - a. **P/2013/01248** Erection of 2 storey side, single storey front and first floor rear extensions Rose Cottage, Barrowhill, Rocester. No objections raised.
  - b. Any other planning application received after the agenda was published. None
6. **Denstone Neighbourhood Plan.** Noted.
7. **Hedge Issues around the village:** Ongoing
8. **Tree planting in village:** Ongoing
9. **Community activity in village at Christmas.** Noted.
10. **Churnet Valley Masterplan Consultation.** Noted.
11. **Wind Turbine proposal at Prestwood:** Noted
12. **Extension of footpath on Railway Line.** It was felt that remaining grant money could be used to renovate loose bricks on the platform.
13. **New Dog bins for Railway Line.** Ongoing.
14. **Emergency Plan for the Village:** Ongoing.
15. **To update the status of Mount Pleasant Garage:** Ongoing
16. **Highways Issues:** All ongoing
  - a. Traffic issues in Stubwood: Ongoing.
  - b. Road Improvements in the village: Ongoing
  - c. Potholes & Drainage Issues in Village: Ongoing
17. **Neighbourhood Working:**
  - a. Neighbourhood Forum: New projects have been put forward for a Community Orchard & repairs to the fountain.
18. **CORRESPONDENCE:** all items circulated with agenda were noted.
19. **CORRESPONDENCE ON THE TABLE TO NOTE:** All noted

24. Finance/Payments

All payments were agreed and approved:

- a. Webmaster November = **£25.00** [LGA 1972 s142 & 144]
- b. E-on Public Lighting 1Nov – 31 Nov = £7.99 + 0.40VAT = **£8.39** [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
- c. SPCA Membership renewal = **£293.00** (LGA 1972 s137)
- d. Teen Play Area Inspections June-Dec = **£156.00** [Local Government (miscellaneous provisions) Act 1976 s19]
- e. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter SCC Lengthsman payment = **£174.75** [Local Government (miscellaneous provisions) Act 1953 s4]
- f. Clerk’s pay November 2013 = **£290.00** [LGA 1972 s112]

Total = **£947.14**

26.**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:** Toilet at Village Hall, Play Area inspections, BKV discussion, Jenny’s Green, Lengthsman’s Duties.

27.**DATES OF NEXT MEETING:** 7 January & 2 February 2014

The meeting closed at.....20.26

**ITEMS RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD:** Tree branches are obscuring the 30 mile per hour limit at the entrance to College Road.