

**MINUTES OF THE DENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2  
DECEMBER 2014 VILLAGE HALL MEETING ROOM**

**Attendees:** Cllr J Payne (in chair), Cllr B Hinton, Cllr E Edmonds, Cllr S Ratcliffe, Cllr P Reid, Cllr S Smith. **Apologies:** Cllr C Vernon, Cllr R Wright, Cllr M Allen.

Agenda A

1. **MINUTES:** of the meeting held 4 November were approved & signed.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Smith (16), Cllr Payne (10).
3. **MATTERS ARISING/CLERK'S REPORT**
  - a. Letter received about grant for the extension to the old railway line.
  - b. Election of new Parish Council Chair. 2 councillors put themselves forward and the remaining councillor held a vote and the vote went in favour of Cllr Payne. Cllr Payne will take over the chair until the elections next May.
4. **Planning (Permitted & Refused** are decisions by ESBC)
  - a. **There was not planning requests this month.**
5. Graham Hunt gave an update about the traffic and speed issues within the village and some of the solution.
6. **ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION:** *a summary of the items raised is shown at the end of the minutes*
7. **Donation £1000 to the village.** The donor was happy with the suggestion and has agreed to a defibrillator being provided for use in the village.
8. **Denstone Neighbourhood Plan.** Questionnaire and newsletters were sent out and the steering group are meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> December to review the feedback.
9. **Oak Road play area.** – *On-going*
10. **Tree sculpture.** *On-going*
11. **Events in the village hall.** *Discussed.*
12. **Emergency Plan.** *On-going*
13. **Highway Issues**
  - a. *Traffic issues & Stubwood sub-committee. On-going.*
  - b. *Potholes & Drainage issues in the village. Reported and On-going.*
14. **Neighbourhood Working**
  - a. *Neighbourhood Forum. On-going*
  - b. *Railway Platform projects. New green bins have been provided. Also the Parish Council have received a letter stating we will be receiving a grant which is to be used to extend the railway project area.*
15. **The Post Office.** *Update given, on going.*
16. **Footpath/hedgerow on the B5031 going towards JCB.** *Discussed.*

17. **Correspondence:** all items circulated with agenda were noted.

18. **Correspondence on the table to note:** All noted

### 19. Finance/Payments

**All payments agreed and approved.**

- a. Webmaster October = **£25.00** [LGA 1972 s142 & 144]
- b. E-on Public Lighting October = **£7.99 + vat £0.40 = £8.39** [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
- c. E-on Public Lighting Maintenance October 2013 – October 2014 = **£71.94 + vat £14.39 = £86.33** [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
- d. Lengthsman payment Non SCC for September - **£60.00** [LGA 2000 s111]
- e. Clerk's pay for October 2014 = **£290.00** [LGA 1972 s112]
- f. Clerk's expenses for October = **£44.71** (LGA 1972 s111)
- g. The Tavern Denstone, Best Kept Village presentation = **£10.00** [LGA 1972 s137]
- h. Cleaning supplies for the village hall toilet = **£5.63 + £1.13 vat = £6.76** [LGA 1972 s137]
- i. Printing of newsletters and questionnaire for the neighbourhood plan. **£269.00.** [LGA 1972 s137]
- j. Dog bin emptying = **£133.00** November 2013 – October 2014[LGA 1972 s137]
- k. Purchase of new litterbin for the railway line = **£183.98 + vat £33.20 = £217.18** (Clerks expenses) [LGA 1972 s111]
- l. Total = **£1150.37**

25. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:** Changes to the education plan and effects on Denstone school. The New Roundabout.

**ITEMS RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD:** Questions were asked of Graham Hunt.

### Agenda B

1. **Post Office** – A discussion was held as to what the Parish Council should do with the old post office site. It was decided that the options should be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

26. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:** 6 January & 3 February 2015  
The meeting closed at.....20.46