

MINUTES OF THE DENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 29 May 2012 IN THE VILLAGE HALL MEETING ROOM

Cllr J Richardson (in chair), Cllr J Bednall (left at 8.31), Cllr C Vernon, Cllr R Wright, Cllr E Edmonds, Cllr S Ratcliffe, Cllr J Payne, Cllr B Hinton

1. **MINUTES:** of the meeting held 3 May were approved and signed
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr S Ratcliffe as employed by JCB
3. **MATTERS ARISING/CLERK'S REPORT**
 - a. Best Kept Village: **Noted**
 - b. Confirmation of planning committee members: **No issues raised**
 - c. Smart Water: **Noted**
 - d. Councillor Casual Vacancy: **Noted**
 - e. Clerk's Training: **Noted**
 - f. Letter of thanks from All Saints Church: **Noted**
4. **EMERGENCY PLAN for the community:** Cllr S Ratcliffe will take responsibility for the initial filling out of document and then to be circulated amongst all Cllrs.
5. **ANNUAL INSURANCE RENEWAL:** **Agreed**
6. **ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION:** *A summary of the items raised is shown at the end of the minutes.*
7. **PLANNING:** [permitted & Refused are decisions by ESBC]
 - a. P/2012/00196/JPM: Construction of 272 space car park at JCB. **Permitted**
 - b. P/2012/00312/JI: Construction of replacement side conservatory at Willow Bank, Alton Road, Denstone. **No objections raised**
 - c. P/2012/ 00532/EW: Construction of 2 storey extension at The Haven, Jardine's Lane, Stubwood. **No objections raised**
8. **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT:** A letter from Andrew Griffiths MP was circulated. **Noted**
9. **WEBSITE:** Cllr B Hinton updated council about payments received for website advertising. A request for new advertisers was noted. Please contact Village website or Cllr B Hinton.
10. **VILLAGE WALK:** Update given for erection of new stile.
11. **JAPANESE KNOTWEED & HIMALAYAN BALSAM** **Agreed** to contact owners of any properties where Knotweed has been observed and to

encourage members of community to pull up the Balsam before it flowers. **To report next meeting.**

12. **FOOTPATH from Marlpit Lane to The Weavers.** Agreed to re engage contractor to buy the stone and complete renovation of path.
13. **ISSUES RAISED FOR DISCUSSION WITH CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES**
 - a. **Church Room.** To report after public meeting of the 2 July.
 - b. **150th Anniversary of All Saints Church.** Request for someone to help produce a flower arrangement for 19th July. Clerk, Cllr Vernon & Cllr Payne to help.
14. **DENSTONE SHOW 2012.** Next meeting 25 June.
15. **CYCLE PATH from Ryecroft School.** Agreed to postpone plans for now
16. **REPLACEMENT OF VILLAGE LENGTHSMAN** To re advertise & contract someone to do main mowing required in summer season.
17. **NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT.** Noted
18. **JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS** Extra keys to be cut for railway gate for the event.
19. **JUBILEE MUGS.** Agreed to charge £15 per mug. DYF donating £250, Cllr C Smith £100, Dennis Parker £400 [sourced]. Thank was offered to Cllr B Hinton for arranging the availability of the mugs. **Payment of invoice agreed**
20. **HIGHWAY ISSUES.** *Cllr J Richardson reported on meeting with Richard Rayson.*
 - a. Traffic problems College Road/Marlpit Lane/Narrow Lane. **As a result of a meeting with Richard Rayson from the Highways Department at SCC, we are being encouraged to look again at the idea of making one short section of Narrow Lane and one short section of Marlpit Lane one-way in order to discourage the village being used as a short-cut. There would be a local consultation if this idea were to be pursued.**
 - b. Lane between B5032 & 5030 at top of Quixhill. **Noted. Cllrs asked to report if they discover further fly tipping on the lane. Please contact clerk.**
 - c. Bank on Alton Road by Hillcrest. **Noted**
 - d. Pothole on Alton Road. **Pothole has been reported. To be followed up**
 - e. Notification of road closures for Jubilee. **Noted**
21. **NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING**

a. Neighbourhood Forum. **Cllr Payne reported on meeting of 21 May.**

22. **CORRESPONDENCE:** all items circulated with agenda.

- a. Neighbourhood Co Ordinator appointment. **Noted**
- b. Neighbourhood Planning Activity ESBC. **Noted**
- c. Broadband Champions Event. **Noted**
- d. Street Lighting Conservation from SCC. **Noted**
- e. Sustainable Communities letter from Andrew Griffiths MP. **Noted**
- f. Letter from ESBC re fly tipping. **Noted**
- g. All Saints Flower Festival letter. **Noted**
- h. Consultation notification from ESBC. **Noted**
- i. Neighbourhood Watch letter to community. **Noted**

23. **CORRESPONDENCE ON THE TABLE TO NOTE:** All noted

- a. CPRE Newsletter. **Noted**
- b. Insurance document in full. **Noted**
- c. NALC update. **Noted**
- d. Emergency Plan document. **Noted**
- e. New Neighbourhood Coordinator announcement. **Noted**
- f. Notification of road closures in ESBC for Jubilee. **Noted**

24. **FINANCE/PAYMENTS:**

- a. Appointment of external auditor. **Noted**

The following payments were approved

- b. Renewal of annual insurance 2012/13 = £1,514.39 + 90.87 IPT (@6%) = **£1,605.26** [LGA 1972 s111]
 - c. Webmaster April = **£25.00** [LGA 1972 s142 & 144]
 - d. E-on Public Lighting 1 April – 30 April 2012 = £7.53 + 0.38 VAT = **£7.91** [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
 - e. SPCA Admin paperwork = **£11.40** [LGA 1972 s150(5)]
 - f. Service of PO alarms = **£25.00** [LGA 1972 s137]
 - g. Dunoon Ceramics/Jubilee mugs (+10% kiln extra) = £1112.20 + 222.44 VAT = **£1334.64** [LGA 1972 s137(1)]
 - h. Clerk's pay May 2012 = **£290.00** [LGA 1972 s112]
- TOTAL = £3299.21**

25. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:** Stubwood Bus Shelter, Church Car Park, Hawthorn in Elm View, speed limit proposals for Stubwood.

26. **DATES OF NEXT MEETING:** 3rd July and 7th August

The meeting closed at 21.23

ITEMS RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD: None