

Minutes of the Denstone Parish Council meeting held on the 2 May 2017

1. **Attendees:** Cllr J Payne (in chair), Cllr B Hinton, Cllr E Edmonds, Cllr P Robotham, Cllr S Ratcliffe, Cllr C Podmore, Cllr S Smith, Cllr K Stratton **Apologies** Cllr R Wright and Borough Councillor C Smith.
2. The minutes of the meeting of the 4th April 2017 were approved by all, and were signed by Cllr Payne.
3. A declaration of interest was declared by Cllr S Ratcliffe for item 6a.
4. **Matters Arising/Clerk's report**
 - a. Sun & Soil update – the clerk informed the meeting that she had not heard from James Richardson. Cllr Payne suggested that the clerk ring James and then pass the details onto the village hall for them to pursue.
 - b. SPCA Bulletin – The clerk was asked to pass on the details with regards to funding for rural transport to Dennis Parker. Also pass on the details of the changes in Internal Audit to Jeff Malyon the internal auditor.
 - c. Notice on Railway Line – It was agreed by all that the clerk should contact Kelly who runs the village shop and advise her that there is no objection to a sign advertising coffee at the local store being placed on the board inside the gate with the directions on.
 - d. Purchase of a Planter- Clerk to contact John Jilbert and ask for a picture of the planter. Once received contact the village store and ask if they would mind it being placed on the ground next to the village store.
 - e. Shared Neighbourhood Highway Crew – the clerk was asked to send the following to SCC – Traffic Sign outside the Tavern, Gully's on Narrow Lane and Muddy Lane, Footpath and layby by the Old Vicarage.
 - f. Support for Speed Reduction on Hollington Lane – It was unanimously agreed that the clerk should confirm to the clerk of Croxden the full Support of Denstone Parish Council and request that we be updated of any further developments.
 - g. Works on Marlpit Lane – this was discussed and the clerk was asked to contact East Staffs Borough Council and inform them that residents are concerned that works are being carried out that were not on the original planning application P/2015/01095 and ask them to visit the property. Also clerk to contact Severn Trent water regarding the damage to the pipe.
 - h. Spraying on the Railway Line – It was agreed by all that a letter would be sent to all properties from Heywood Hall to the Vicarage with regards to spraying on the railway line.
 - i. Insurance Renewal – The quote of £1586.13 was accepted by all. Clerk to issue the cheque.
 - j. Community Work for People on Probation – It was agreed that the Parish Council would not go any further with this cause.
 - k. Notice board at Stubwood – It was suggested that the current notice board that is being replaced in the centre of the village be revamped and moved to Stubwood. Clerk to contact Suzanne Smith with regards to this. Cllr Payne to pass Suzanne's details onto the clerk.
 - l. Painting inside of the gates on both Teenage and Junior play areas – Cllr Robotham informed the meeting that the paint he originally found was not suitable so he will continue to look.
 - m. Maintenance of the Churchyard – It was agreed that the Parish Council would give £500 to the churchyard for maintenance. Clerk to issue cheque.
 - n. Declaration of interest Forms – Clerk collected a form from Cllr Podmore. Clerk to bring hard copies of forms to the next meeting in June for completion by remaining councillors.
 - o. Accounts – Governance Statement – The Governance statement was read out and completed by the clerk. It was agreed by all and signed off by Cllr Payne (Chair) and the clerk in the meeting.
5. **Adjournment for public participation** – The footpath and the Layby next to the old vicarage was raised and it was agreed to add it to the list on Item 4E.
6. **Planning (Permitted & Refused are decisions by ESBC)**
 - a. P/2017/00256 Erection of a single storey building to form a Golf Academy JCB – No Objections
 - b. P/2017/00187 All Saints Church Main Road Denstone – No Objections
 - c. P/2017/00185 All Saints Church Main Road Denstone – No Objections

7. Denstone Diary – Cllr Edmonds informed the meeting that he was expecting a copy of the diary from the printers on the 3rd May, this would then be proof read by Cllr Payne and Cllr Hinton. The finished document should be completed week commencing 8th May. Cllr Edmonds to supply names, addresses and e-mail addresses to the clerk BKV – The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Wright for putting up all the BKV posters and everyone who joined in with the Litter pick on the 29th April.
8. Denstone Show – The attractions will be finalised by the next meeting and also a list of sponsors.
9. 2nd Defibrillator – We are still waiting for the defibrillator to be returned to the Village Hall so that we can finally go ahead with the installation of the 2nd Defibrillator in the telephone box at Stubwood. Cllr Edmonds has made a sign for the telephone box.
10. Rocester New School - Updated
11. Village Hall committee member – Village Hall have decided not to hold pre-school sections in the Village Hall as this would be too restrictive on the Village Hall. The pre-school is now being held in the school. Breeze and Wilson will be appearing at the Village Hall on the 29th September.
12. Emergency Plan for village - Updated
13. War memorial repairs – Cllr Hinton informed the meeting that the posts were now complete. The chains are nearly finished just the fittings need to be done. Cllr Hinton to discuss with Mick Delf as to when they can be fitted and if any additional help is required.
14. New Noticeboard – The new posts are now complete for the notice board. Cllr Edmonds to speak to John Jilbert regarding when would be the best time to install the new notice board.
15. Highway Issues
 - a. Traffic issues & Stubwood sub-committee – Clerk to contact Richard Rayson with regards to the meeting. Cllr Payne asked if it could not be a Tuesday or Wednesday as she would like to attend.
 - b. Potholes & drainage issues in the village – Narrow Lane pothole has still not been done Cllr Hinton to send the photograph to the clerk.
 - c. Footpaths – Nothing to add.
16. Finance/Payments – Proposed by Cllr Edmonds seconded by Cllr Hinton agreed by all.
 - a. To approve the following payments:
 - b. Webmaster April 2017 = £25.00 [LGA 1972 s142 & 144]
 - c. Clerk's pay for April 2017 = £314.83 [LGA 1972 s112]
 - d. Clerk's expenses for April 2017 =£33.87 (LGA 1972 s111)
 - e. Eon Lighting April 2017= £14.66 [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
 - f. Lisa Wright cleaning of toilets in Village Hall April 2017 =£40.00
 - g. Best Kept Village Poster Prizes = £12.98
 - h. Zurich Insurance = £1586.13
 - i. All Saints Church Denstone = £500.00

Items for Future Agenda

1. Dates of next meetings: 6 June, 4 July, 5 September 2017