

MINUTES OF THE DENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 September IN THE VILLAGE HALL MEETING ROOM
 Cllr J Richardson, Cllr S Smith, Cllr J Payne, Cllr R Wright, Cllr S Ratcliffe, Cllr J Bednall, Borough Cllr C Smith, Cllr C Vernon, Cllr E Edmund, Cllr B Hinton.
 One member of the public in attendance.

1. **MINUTES:** of the meeting held 7 August were approved and signed
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**
3. **MATTERS ARISING/CLERK'S REPORT**
 - a. Clerk's Training Day 24 October. Noted
 - b. Letter from ESBC about road closures. Noted
4. **ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION:** *A summary of the items raised is shown at the end of the minutes.*
5. **NEW CHAIR FOR PARISH COUNCIL:** it was noted that Cllr J Richardson will step down as Chair of Parish Council at next month's meeting (October)
6. **LENGTHSMAN:** A new lengthsman has been appointed (Stephen Burton)
7. **PLANNING:** [permitted & Refused are decisions by ESBC]
 - a. P/2012/00535 Conversion and alterations to former garage to form dependant relative accommodation: Willow Bank, Alton Road, Denstone, ST14 5DH. **Permitted.**
 - b. P/2012/01035 Relocation of manege, use of part of site for car parking and lorry parking, demolition of office and conversion of outbuilding to form offices and landscaping Little Park Farm, Alton Road, Denstone ST14 5GH. No objections raised.
 - c. P/2012/01065 Outline application to develop land by the erection of a dwelling: Land off Marlpit Lane, Denstone
8. **NEW CODE OF CONDUCT:** Proposed by Cllr Richardson and seconded by Cllr Vernon. Code of Conduct adopted.
9. **EMERGENCY PLAN FOR VILLAGE:** Is now near completion and will be circulated to Parish Cllrs shortly.
10. **GARAGE CONSTRUCTION AT MOUNT PLEASANT:** Concerns have been raised that the garage being constructed at Mount Pleasant seems to be higher than was foreseen. ESBC Planning Dept has been notified. Ongoing.
11. **VILLAGE WEBSITE:** Consistent patterns of website traffic are noted.

- 12. VILLAGE WALKS LEAFLET:** Leaflet is now going to print and will be available shortly.
- 13. STUBWOOD BUS SHELTER:** It is thought that the bus shelter will need a new roof by summer 2013. Costings will be put together with a view to making a decision in the future.
- 14. NEW LAWN MOWER:** If anyone has a robust petrol mower that they would be willing to loan or give to Parish Council please contact the Clerk. Ongoing.
- 15. THE WEAVERS FOOTPATH** Ongoing
- 16. DENSTONE SHOW:** Plans are now in place for the show.
- 17. JUBILEE MUGS:** Jubilee mugs will be available at the Denstone Show and the Post Office to buy for £15.
- 18. HIGHWAY ISSUES:**
- a. Traffic management in the village: All noted.
 - b. Lane between B5032 & B5030 at top of Quixhill Lane. Key to be made available for hedge cutting purposes.
- 19. NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING**
- a. Neighbourhood Forum: Noted
- 20. CORRESPONDENCE:** all items circulated with agenda.
- a. Copy of email from Richard Rayson, Staffordshire CC Highways
 - b. Copy of letter about new Rights of Way team at Staffs CC
 - c. Copy of Standing Orders for parish Council
 - d. Letter from ESBC re road closure 8 September
- 21. CORRESPONDENCE ON THE TABLE TO NOTE:** All noted
- 22. FINANCE/PAYMENTS:** all payments were approved
- a. Webmaster August = **£25.00** [LGA 1972 s142 & s144]
 - b. E-On Public Lighting 1-30 Aug 2012 = £7.78 + 0.39VAT = **£8.17** [Parish Councils Act 1957 s3]
 - c. Rosettes for Denstone Show 2012 = **£223.20** [LGA 1972 s137]
 - d. Dunoon Ceramics, 65 additional Jubilee Mugs = £487.50 + 97.50 = **£585.00** [LGA 1972 s137(1)]
 - e. Annual Inspection of Children's Play Area = £95.00 + 19.00 = **£114.00** [Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19]
 - f. Payment of bin emptying service April – September on railway line = **£52.99** [Litter Act 1983 s6]
 - g. Payment for teen play area inspections April – September 2012 = **£156.00** [Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19]
 - h. Expenses incurred by Cllr J Richardson (printer Ink) and travel = (£8.00) + **£13.50** [LGA 1972 s111]

- i. Expenses incurred by Cllr J Payne (Flower Festival & travel to Neighbourhood Forum) = **£38.38** [LGA 1972 s112]
 - j. Clerk's Pay 1 August – 1 September 2012 = **£290** [LGA 1972 s112]
- TOTAL = £1506.34**

23. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:** Using the Telephone Box for new purposes. Hedges on Narrow lane. Dog Control area on the Railway Line.

24. **DATES OF NEXT MEETING:** 2 October, 6 November

The meeting closed at.....20.40.

ITEMS RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

The issue of altering the location of the road sign at Hollis Lane to the other side of the road.