

Doveridge Parish Council Meeting

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Minutes of the meeting of the council held at 7.30pm, Tuesday 3rd April 2018

Present: Cllr. Bown, Cllr. Priestley, Cllr. Hewson-Stoate, Cllr. Dews, Cllr. Bointon, Cllr. Stubbs and Cllr. Pakes.

Absent: Cllr. Taylor.

01.04.18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Wilshaw.

02.04.18 Variation of Business

There was no variation of business.

03.04.18 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr. Bointon declared an interest in item 08.04.18 Mowing Contract

04.04.18 Public Speaking

There were no members of the public present.

05.04.18 Approve Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held on 6th March 2018

The minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 6th March were proposed by Cllr. Dews, seconded by Cllr. Priestley and then signed by Cllr. Bown.

06.04.18 Chairman's Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the business for the evening. Cllr. Bown thanked Cllr. Bointon for his invaluable help recently when the village was without water, he made a number of trips to Ashbourne and Sudbury to collect water for the village whilst we waited for Severn Trent to arrive with supplies.

07.04.18 Report of the Clerk

The Clerk reported on the following matters –

Waterpark Road - Tree

No update from Land Registry regarding the ownership of the land. It was the RESOLVED that the Clerk would chase Land Registry.

Dog Mess

The Clerk has received several emails/telephone calls regarding full bins around the village. The Clerk has contacted Helen Carrington (Parks and Streetscene Officer, DDDC) to see what can be done about this. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would follow this up.

Councillors also discussed the concerns of dog mess on the playing field which has been raised on social media. The playing field was cut only a few days ago and there were no signs of dog mess. It was discussed whether we should enforce dogs on leads, however it was RESOLVED that we as a Parish Council shall monitor the situation over the coming weeks with spot checks and raise again in the future. The possibility of installing CCTV was discussed at an approximate cost of £80, this will be discussed again in the future if the Parish Council feel this is the only way forward.

Pond

A resident has approached the Clerk requesting to trim around their property edge of the pond. They have also volunteered to become part of a group to help keep the space tidy. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would investigate this with DALC and our insurers to ensure that this is ok from a liability perspective.

08.04.18 Mowing Contract

Cllr Bointon declared an interest and left the meeting.

Cllr. Stubbs would like it noted that he felt we should have advertised the position in the local paper and for a longer period of time.

Only person to apply for the tender contract for the 3-year period was John Bointon. It was RESOLVED to offer John Bointon the work, this was proposed by Cllr. Priestley and seconded by Cllr. Pakes.

It was agreed that any major work required in the village would be discussed at the monthly meeting before instructing John Bointon to carry out.

Cllr. Bointon rejoined the meeting and was informed of the decision.

09.04.18 Village Reports

(a) Football Field, Pavilion and Play Areas

Inspection reports were handed to the Clerk.

(b) Bus Stops and Bus Routes

This situation has been chased by Cllr. Bointon but with no update. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would write to the James Bodice (Midland Classic owner).

(c) Website

There is currently an issue with the website and updates are unable to be made. Eric Roy is working on resolving the issue. It was the RESOLVED that the Clerk would monitor the situation.

(d) Burial Grounds

The Clerk has chased Keith Poselthwaite from DDDC, but he is currently on leave. It was RESOLVED that Clerk would chase ready for the next meeting.

(e) Highways Report

There were no new issues raised.

(f) Public Footpaths and Rights of Way

Footpath between Hawthorn to High Street - The Order and Notice is going to be available at the Village Shop within the next few days, and DCC will also have a copy at either end of the route with the aim for it to be advertised in the local press from the 12th April 2018. The shop will keep hold of this document for 6 weeks from the date of publication for any interested parties who would like to have a look at the documents.

(g) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Priestley reported that the Doveridge Neighbourhood Plan is currently with DDDC who are making alterations as suggested by the Examiner. We then await a date for the referendum.

(h) Emergency Plan

The Clerk reported that Liz Partington (Emergency Planning Officer, DCC) will be attending our next monthly meeting in May and also has a telephone meeting scheduled next week to discuss this matter further. After the next meeting which Liz attends a sub committee will be formed to take our plan forward. Cllrs. Priestley and Stubbs both volunteered for this committee.

(i) Project Preschool

No update on this at present.

10.04.18 DALC Circulars

Circular 05-2018 - GDPR Training Course - DALC Spring Seminar - Review of Local Government Ethical Standards - Internal & External Audit 2017-18 - DALC Survey Results - MP's Lobby Day.

11.04.18 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

108	DALC	Annual Subscription	£318.79
109	DALC	Rachel Male Audit Training Course	£40.00
110	Doveridge Neighbourhood Watch	Half of Village Hall Room Hire for annual meeting	£13.00
111	John Bointon	Footpath Maintenance	£120.00
112	Rachel Male	Clerk, expenses, travel	£460.15

(b) Income

Allotment Rent 2018	£19.00
Friends of Doveridge Playground, Contribution to skateboard ramp works and roundabout.	£281.30

(c) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

There were no new items raised.

(d) 2018/19 Budget

There were no new items raised.

(e) Audit

No update from PKK Littlejohn with regards to this year's Audit at present.

12.04.18 Financial Regulations and Policies

The Financial Regulations and Standing Orders were discussed, and changes made.

Standing Orders

The following paragraph under heading 1 Meetings, section t, was removed.

If prior to a meeting, a Councillor has submitted reasons for his absence at the meeting which is then approved by a resolution, such resolution shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which the approval was given.

Financial Regulations

The following amendments were made, adding in Petty Cash, changing a limit to £100 for emergency spending also gaining the approval on this from the Chair and one other signatory and finally removing the following line under 5.3 Banking Arrangements and Cheques.
and exceptionally by the Clerk and one member.

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would make the necessary amendments and email new copies to the Councillors and bring a copy to the next meeting for the Chair to sign for our file.

13.04.18 To consider Planning Applications / Decisions

UPDATES

18/00224/FUL Steve Foster Car Park – the Clerk spoke with Helen Foster, Steve Foster Cranes will be screening the border of the car park as outlined in the planning application.

Update from Chris Whitmore on Twin Oaks – 16/00561/AMD/1 –non-material amendment, permitted (allowed) 23/3/18. Alterations to GRP unit, location of fuel tank and DNO substation. The Clerk asked for clarification on what GRP and DNO meant and had the following reply:

From what I understand the GRP (Glass Reinforced Plastic) unit houses the customer substation and the DNO (District Network Operator) substation is the transfer station (which regulates the electrical current flow from the solar farm to the grid).

To clarify, the recently approved non-material amendment application relates to the 5MW diesel generators (which will work alongside the renewable energy installations in the area and will be used infrequently when there is a high demand for electricity) and not the 21MW

liquefied gas flexible generation facility which was withdrawn following publication of the officers report to planning committee recommending that the application should be refused.

Applications

No new applications received.

Decisions

18/00014/FUL – The Redlands Church Lane. 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension – **granted with conditions 5/3/18.**

Twin Oaks – 16/00561/AMD/1 –non-material amendment, **permitted (allowed) 23/3/18.**
Alterations to GRP unit, location of fuel tank and DNO substation.

Appeal decision

No new appeal decisions.

14.04.18 Correspondence

Civic Voice – War Memorial News
DCC – new mobile library dates

15.04.18 Date of Next Meeting

It was RESOLVED that the Annual Parish Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7:00pm and the next Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7:30pm both on Tuesday 1st May 2018 in the Village Hall Kitchen.

There being no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.35pm.