

Doveridge Parish Council Meeting

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Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm, Tuesday 7th July 2020 held by video conference

Present: Cllr. Bown, Cllr. Dews, Cllr. Bointon, Cllr. Lyon, Cllr. Banner, Cllr. Mason and Cllr. Allison (DDDC).

01.07.20 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Buck, Cllr. Goulden Cllr. Bull (DCC)

02.07.20 Variation of Business

There was no variation of business.

03.07.20 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr. Bointon declared an interest in agenda items 08.07.20 Village Reports, (a) Football field and mower and (b) Doveridge Juniors and Summer League Football Clubs.

04.07.20 Public Speaking

There were no members of the public present.

05.07.20 Approve Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and the Monthly Meeting held on 2nd June 2020

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June be approved. Proposed: Cllr. Lyon Seconded: Cllr. Mason. The Chair, Cllr. Bown signed the minutes as a true and accurate record.

06.07.20 Chairman's Announcements

Coronavirus Community Support Group - The Chair reported that despite a reduction in volunteers (due to work commitments) the group was continuing to run smoothly.

07.07.20 Report from the Clerk on on-going matters

Bowls Club – the Clerk has received a request from the Bowls Club asking for a donation towards their new mower. It was RESOLVED the Clerk would forward all Councillors the details and it was be added to the agenda for September for decision to be made.

Scout Land – the Clerk received an email (3rd July) from our local Scout Group asking for any information we have with regards to the rights of the land by the allotments. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would investigate further and report back to the Scout Group and the Council at the next meeting.

Local PCSO – the Clerk reported that our local PCSO, Sue Lester, was sadly leaving the police force however she will still be seen around the village in her scouting role. The Parish Council would like it noted that they appreciate everything she has done for the village in the last couple of years and wish her luck in the future.

08.07.20 Village Reports

(a) Football Field & Mowers

It was reported that some improvement works were now completed on the pitch (carried out by Doveridge Juniors).

It was reported that the field bins were full of dog mess and were becoming increasingly difficult to empty. It was RESOLVED signs would be printed to encourage residents to take their dogs mess home to their own bins.

(i) Playing field trees

It was RESOLVED we would request 3 quotes for the required works to the playing field trees which had recently been cut back from the power lines by Western Power to ensure they are safe.

(b) Doveridge Juniors and Summer League Football Clubs

Doveridge FC asked if they could have a small unit inside the pavilion to store football training equipment. It was RESOLVED the Parish Council were happy for them to proceed.

(c) Village benches

A local resident has refurbished and reinstated the bench on Pickley's Lane. Total cost being £48.99. It was RESOLVED this would be refunded to them.

Further works to a bench on the playing field are required and we have asked them to let us know an approximate cost before work begins.

This was proposed by Cllr. Bown and seconded by Cllr. Bointon.

(d) Pavilion

No issues to report.

(e) Play area

RoSPA Inspection report has been received and necessary works will be investigated in the coming weeks. Invoice for the report = £115.80 – RESOLVED to pay, proposed Cllr. Lyon and seconded by Cllr. Bown.

Signs will be printed and secured to the perimeter of the play area asking visitors to maintain social distancing and for hand sanitiser to be used before and after play.

(f) Bus Stops and Bus Route

No issues to report.

(g) Website

No issues to report.

(h) Burial Grounds

Sub-committee meetings to commence from September.

(i) Highways Report

Overgrown hedge area opposite the Cavendish Arms –

According to DCC, DDDC have a job scheduled to cut the vegetation back. Our District Councillor Jacqui Allison is chasing them.

(j) Public Footpaths and Rights of Way

Wooden Posts – High Street

Several residents have made complaints regarding an obstruction on a footpath along the High Street. This has been raised with DCC. The Highways Inspector for the area has risk assessed the location in line with their current inspection policy and they have written to the appropriate property to remove the said items from the public highway, as these are seen as an obstruction. The Clerk will continue to monitor.

(k) Project Preschool

No update at present.

(l) Village Hall

Cllr. Mason reported that the Village Hall will not be taking bookings until at least August.

The Village Hall Committee are still looking for a replacement Chairman.

(m) Neighbourhood Watch Updates

There have been several reports of cars being keyed through the village. This has been logged with the safer neighbourhood team and local police.

09.07.20 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circulars

No circulars received since the last meeting.

10.07.20 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

RoSPA Play Safety Inspection	=	£115.80
EON – Pavilion electric	=	£31.03
J.B Mowing, playing field/footpaths maintenance	=	£309.50
Karen Bown – reimburse for gate post for playing field	=	£36.00
Rachel Male, ink and mileage	=	£31.39
DALC, training	=	£105.00
Rachel Male, Salary	=	£558.40
Brian Wood, audit of accounts	=	£62.50
Rachel Male, Zoom reimbursement	=	£14.39
ME Tomlinson, hedge works footpath behind meadow view	=	£240.00
C A Ewing – reimbursement for bench works	=	£48.99

These payments were proposed by Cllr. Bown and seconded by Cllr. Dews.

The Clerk's payslip and bank statements will be signed when social distancing allows.

(b) Income

30.06.20 Interest	=	£0.09
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(c) Budget Appraisal 2020/2021

The budget appraisal as of 07.07.2020 was emailed prior to the meeting to all Councillors. This will be signed when social distancing allows.

(d) Audit

The Clerk circulated (prior to the meeting) and read through the Annual Governance Statement, Councillors approved all responses. The RFO signed the statement. The Clerk will now send off all relevant forms to the external auditors and advertise the period for the exercise of public rights.

All audit matters were proposed by Cllr. Bown seconded by Cllr. Banner and all remaining councillors (4) voted in favour.

11.07.20 Training

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would attend a training course on the 13th July – Law and Good Practice of Council Meeting. This cost would be shared with Sudbury Parish Council.

It was also RESOLVED that the Clerk could, in principle, carry out her CiLCA training with DALC from September should she wish to do so.

12.07.20 Financial Regulations, Standing Orders, Asset Register and other Policies

No changes required.

13.07.20 To consider Planning Applications / Decisions

Applications:

20/00494/FUL, Two storey rear extension at Waterpark House 31 High Street – **NOTED**.

20/00592/FUL, Side car port at Charmys House Hall Drive Doveridge – **NOTED**.

Decisions:

No decisions received.

(a) David Wilson Site

No issues to report.

(b) Bellway Site

No issues to report.

DDDC Councillor Jacqui Allison gave an update on issues at DDDC as follows:

Annual General Council meeting will take place on the 22nd July after then the Emergency committee is going to be stood down and the normal committee meetings will resume, albeit virtually.

Boundary review - A report will be going to an extraordinary council meeting on Wednesday 15th July for approval to reduce the number of district councillors from 39 to 34, which will then require ward boundaries to be redrawn.

14.07.20 Correspondence

DCC Community News
DDDC Latest News
Countryside Voice Magazine

15.07.20 Date of next Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council

It was RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 1st September 2020 virtually.

There being no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 21:00.