

# DALLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Dallington Parish Council Meeting held on 18th July 2017

Present

Councillors W. Miers (Chairman), N. Holyoake (Vice-Chairman),  
S. Bellem, P. Ridley, P. Wilson  
County and District Councillor J. Barnes (part)  
Mrs. J. Jeremy (Chairman, Dallington Village Hall)  
Members of the public

1. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS  
None declared.
2. DISPENSATIONS  
None requested.
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
None.
4. ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING  
**RESOLVED** - that the draft minutes of the DPC meeting held on 16.05.17 be confirmed as being an accurate record of the proceedings, with the following amendments
  - Item 10.4, amend "Woods" to "Woodhams."
  - Item 11, amend "Ridley" to "Holyoake."Councillor Ridley proposed and Councillor Holyoake seconded, the voting was unanimous. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.
5. ADJOURNMENT
  - 5.1 County (ESCC) report - Councillor J. Barnes
    - Good news, the Police and Crime Commissioner is not to take over Fire and Rescue Services.
    - ESCC are spending £1M on driver education.
  - 5.2 District (RDC) report - Councillor J. Barnes
    - There is no "Grenfell" cladding within the Rother District.
    - All "health" buildings have been checked, including residential homes and schools are also being checked.
    - Rother DC are to investigate parking enforcement, particularly around schools. This investigation should be available during 2019.
  - 5.3 Village Hall report - Mrs. J. Jeremy
    - The Village Hall Committee would like to thank Mr. R. Baldock for the great job he has done on refurbishing the toilets, this work is very much appreciated.
    - The refurbishment of the tiles behind the curtain is ongoing.
    - The redrafting of the constitution is ongoing.
    - Mrs. P. Ridley is now the Treasurer.
  - 5.4 Public Question Time
    - There are serious problems at Graylings due to rain water collecting on the road and causing severe damage to this listed house. Vehicles are causing the collected water to splash up to the second floor of the house, the water has penetrated and damaged windows and damaged/penetrated the double glazing. The drains have now been cleared by ESCC and things are a little better, but water is still splashing up and hitting the house.

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- *Speeding and road issues*
  - *Mr. Bagnall is waiting to hear from the Sussex Wildlife Trust regarding wildlife verges.*
  - *The "in-house" cameras will not be used for speeding information for legal reasons.*
  - *A survey will be done on 28.07.17 to see if Community Speedwatch Groups will be of use in gathering evidence for speeding on the B2096 and South Lane.*
  - *The Chairman said that some cutting of verges was necessary and they are getting very high and affecting sight lines.*
  - *There was another serious accident on the B2096 in the Earlsdown area last Monday, the Clerk is to contact Inspector Dan Russell for the dates/times of recent accidents on this road. (ACTION - CLERK)*
  - *ESCC are still reviewing the B2096 and to see what measures can be taken to reduce speeding/avoid accidents. One solution would be to have a 40mph speed limit from Woods Corner through to the end of the Earlsdown area. DPC will keep lobbying for this. One particular area of concern is Carricks Hill.*
  - *Mrs. Jeremy said there had been no individual notification of the recent roadworks in South Lane, although notices were placed at either end giving clear warnings. Also she and Mr. Bagnell had experienced difficulties getting access in and out. The Clerk had not been notified and Councillor Barnes is to look into this.*
  - *Councillor Barnes suggested that residents look at the ESCC Highways website, where they can receive up to date information etc.*
  - *The damaged road at Stream Hill is deemed "not bad enough" by ESCC for repair.*

## THE MEETING RECONVENED

### 6. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

**RESOLVED** - to adopt the following policies and procedures as presented by the Clerk

- Complaints Procedure
- Data Protection Policy
- Disciplinary Procedure
- Document Retention Policy
- Equality and Diversity Policy
- Freedom of Information Policy
- Grant Awarding Policy
- Grievance Procedure

Councillor Wilson proposed and Councillor Bellem seconded, the voting was unanimous.

### 7. DALLINGTON RECREATION GROUND (standing item)

7.1 **RESOLVED** - to accept the quotation from Fitzpatrick Woolmer for a lectern type noticeboard for the sum of £995.00, plus VAT and delivery. Councillor Bellem proposed and Councillor Holyoake seconded. The voting was unanimous. Many thanks to David Wilson for offering to install it. **(ACTION - CLERK)**

### 7.2 Other DRG matters for discussion

- The mole problem now seems to be under control. Many thanks to Peter Rowbottom for his help with this.
- David Wilson will attend the PAT Testing Training Course, run by AiRS in September.
- The pavilion heaters are to be disconnected and the Radio Club asked to bring their own.
- David Wilson is to spray the car park with weedkiller.

### 8. GRANTS AND DONATIONS

**RESOLVED** - to donate the sum of £100.00 to the Conquest Hospital New MRI Scanner Appeal. Councillor Holyoake proposed and Councillor Wilson seconded, the voting was unanimous.

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9. PLANNING (standing item)
- 9.1 Planning applications for consideration  
RR/2017/1496/P Pound Cottage, Woods Corner  
Removal of existing pitched roof with replacement flat roof and roof lantern.  
RR/2017/1421/P Wish House, Battle Road  
Demolition of prefabricated concrete garage and construction of timber framed garage with pitched roof over.  
RR/2017/1261P and RR/2017/1262L Dabchick Cottage, Earlsdown  
Extension and alterations to existing cottage and extension to existing detached garage.  
**AGREED** - to support the above applications. **(ACTION - CLERK)**
10. ENFORCEMENT (standing item)
- 10.1 No further news on Hopgarden Farm, a Dallington item on RDC's weekly enforcement list.
- 10.2 No other enforcement matters for discussion.
11. ROADS, PATHS, VERGES (standing item)  
Please see speeding and road issues bullet points under public question time.
12. FINANCE (standing item)
- 12.1 Bank balances at 30.06.17
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|---------------------|------------|
| DPC deposit account | £11,997.95 |
| DPC current account | £1,996.32  |
| DRG custom account  | £1,284.63  |
- 12.2 **RESOLVED** - to approve the following payments. Councillor Holyoake proposed and the Chairman seconded, the voting was unanimous.
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| DPC ACCOUNT                                      |         |
| Clerk, salary, home office (Jun/Jul17), expenses | 713.06  |
| Conquest Hospital, new MRI scanner appeal        | 100.00  |
| TOTAL  | £813.06 |
| DRG ACCOUNT                                      |         |
| Mr. D. Wilson, hoses/electrical materials        | 83.64   |
| Mr. D. Sewell, petrol for mower                  | 23.18   |
| TOTAL  | £106.82 |
- 12.3 **RESOLVED** - to approve the use of the LAP earmarked reserve of £760.00 towards the purchase of the DRG noticeboard. Councillor Ridley proposed and Councillor Wilson seconded, the voting was unanimous.
- 12.4 **RESOLVED** - to approve the first quarter accounts 2017-18 at 30.06.17, as presented by the Clerk. The Chairman proposed and Councillor Holyoake seconded, the voting was unanimous.
- 12.5 The Members received and noted the budget monitor, statement of earmarked reserves and bank reconciliations at 30.06.17.
13. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS  
15th August 2017 - Planning Meeting, 7pm in Dallington Village Hall.  
19th September 2017 - Full Council Meeting, 7pm in Dallington Village Hall.