

# DALLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Dallington Parish Council Meeting  
held on 20th November 2018

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Present

Councillors W. Miers (Chairman), S. Bellem,  
P. Ridley, P. Wilson  
Mrs. I. Marchant (Parish Clerk/RFO)  
Member of the public

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1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS  
None declared.
2. DISPENSATIONS  
None requested.
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
Apologies were received from Councillor Holyoake.
4. ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS  
**RESOLVED** – that the draft minutes of the meeting held on 18.09.18 be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings. That the draft minutes of the meeting (planning) held on 02.10.18 be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings, with the following amendment – deletion of bullet point 4 in item 4. Councillor Bellem proposed and Councillor Wilson seconded, the voting was unanimous.
5. OPEN FORUM
  - 5.1 County Council report (ESCC) – not available.
  - 5.2 District Council report (RDC) – not available.
  - 5.3 Village Hall report – Mrs. J. Jeremy
    - Mrs. Jeremy is very pleased to report that the usage of the hall has increased and the recent improvements have been received very positively.
    - The last task for the kitchen refurbishment is the installation of an extractor fan.
    - The total cost for the main parts of the redecoration and white goods is approximately £4,500.00. There are sufficient funds to repay £1,500.00 off the loan, leaving £3,000.00. It should be possible to repay this within three years.
    - It is sad that the Flower Club has ceased, but other regular hirers remain and income from the Library Café is increasing as well as proving a very good social event.
    - We hope eventually to install broadband, thus opening up the opportunity for research and educational use.
    - Carricks Brook are now regular hirers and the owner is prepared to join the Trustees of the Village Hall.
    - More fund-raising events are planned after the AGM on 29.01.19.
    - The recent quiz was well supported and raised approximately £240.00.
  - 5.4 Chairman's report – Councillor Miers
    - The Chairman will be attended, as a parish representative, the Rother District Council Audit and Standards Committee meeting on 23.11.18.
    - The fly-tipped rubbish as the entrance to the recreation ground has been removed by RDC.
    - Deer poaching is suspected in Dallington Forest, notifications have been placed on both noticeboards and the website. Any evidence should be reported to the Police.

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6. DALLINGTON RECREATION GROUND (standing item)
- The hedge has been cut.
  - The Solstice event will be held on 21.12.18, with beacon lighting, mulled wine and festive food, starting at 7pm.
7. PLANNING (standing item)
- 7.1 Planning application for consideration.  
RR/20182712/P – Martlet, The Street  
Removal of existing oil tank, proposed new oil tank (retrospective)  
**AGREED** – to support this application. All Members agreed.
- 7.2 No other planning matters for discussion.
8. ENFORCEMENT (standing item)
- 8.1 No Dallington items on RDC's weekly enforcement list.
- 8.2 No other enforcement matters for discussion.
9. ROADS/PATHS/VERGES (standing item)
- ESCC have confirmed that Dallington will receive two cuts per year as usual.
  - It was decided that Dallington did not have a suitable site for the rare, black, female Poplar notified by our Tree Warden. Brightling Parish Council have suggested it be placed in Brightling Churchyard.
  - There has been no response from ESCC on the serious issue of speeding on the B2096 from Carricks Hill through Earlsdown, despite a long campaign by the Parish Council. The Clerk will chase this matter again.
10. FINANCE (standing item)
- 10.1 Bank balances at 31.10.18
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| DPC deposit account | £17,183.33 |
| DPC current account | £262.33    |
| DRG custom account  | £1,077.53  |
- 10.2 **RESOLVED** – to approve the following payments, Councillor Ridley proposed and Councillor Bellem seconded, the voting was unanimous.
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| DPC ACCOUNT   |         |
| Clerk – salary/home office (Oct/Nov 2018), expenses | £686.09 |
| DRG ACCOUNT   |         |
| D. Wilson – fuel/hardcore for general maintenance   | £67.70  |
- 10.3 **RESOLVED** – to approve the second quarter accounts 2018-19 at 30.09.18 as presented by the Clerk. The Chairman proposed and Councillor Bellem seconded, the voting was unanimous.
- 10.4 **RESOLVED** – to approve the budget monitor and bank reconciliations at 31.10.18. Councillor Wilson proposed and Councillor Ridley seconded, the voting was unanimous.
11. DATES FOR NEXT MEETINGS
- 18.12.18 – Planning Meeting (provisional only, will only be used if required)
- 22.01.19 – Full Council Meeting
- Both to start at 7pm in the Village Hall