

# Dallington Parish Council

Minutes of the Dallington Parish Council Meeting  
held on 21st September 2021

Present

Councillors W. Miers (Chairman), N. Holyoake (Vice-Chairman), P. Ridley  
Mrs. I. Marchant (Parish Clerk/RFO)  
County Councillor E. Kirby-Green  
Members of the public

## 1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None declared.

## 2. DISPENSATIONS

None requested.

## 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Gray and Harding sent their apologies.

## 4. ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

RESOLVED – that the draft minutes of the meeting on 20.07.21 and the planning meeting on 17.08.21 be confirmed as being accurate records of the proceedings. Councillor Holyoake proposed and Councillor Ridley seconded, the voting was unanimous. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

## 5. OPEN FORUM

### 5.1 County Council (ESCC) and District Council (RDC) reports– Councillor E. Kirby-Green

- ESCC, things quiet at the moment.
- RDC, Briar Cottage is going to the planning committee in October.
- RDC, CAPITA is assisting RDC planning department with staff shortages, the cost is £270K.
- RDC, there are no more funds for Community Grant schemes, there is a small reserve for the Queen's Jubilee projects.
- RDC, Councillor Kirby-Green is still waiting for a reply from RDC about Glaziers Forge.

### 5.2 District Council report (RDC) – see above.

### 5.3 Village Hall report – Councillor P. Ridley

- There has been good attendance at all our events.
- We are waiving hall hire charges for new groups/talks of general interest etc., until 31.12.21.
- We are still in a good financial position.
- The AGM is in October.

### 5.4 Chairman's report – Councillor W. Miers

- The Chairman has attended 2 virtual planning sessions.
- There has been a request for football playing at the DRG.
- It was agreed at the Chairman's request, if responses to consultations are required – they can be discussed at the bi-monthly planning meetings, they agendas will show this.

### 5.5 Public Question Time

- Two members of the public had concerns regarding item 13.1 on the agenda (planning application RR/2021/1241/P). The concerns were noise and pollution from an external boiler.
- The applicant replied that the current boiler installation does not comply with Building Regulations, and it is 30 years old. The best option is an external boiler, which is less obtrusive and complies with all emission regulations.

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6. **CARRICKS HILL TRIANGLE**  
This item will be discussed at the DPC November meeting.
7. **GLAZIERS FORGE**  
This item will be discussed at the DPC November meeting.
8. **PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER (RDC)**  
DPC have agreed to all items on RDC's Public Spaces Protection Order.
9. **NATIONAL RESILIENCE STRATEGY CALL FOR EVIDENCE**  
DPC will not respond to this badly written and sometimes incomprehensible document.
10. **DONATIONS**  
RESOLVED – to donate the sum of £50.00 (wreath) to the Royal British Legion for the Remembrance Day Service. The Chairman proposed and Councillor Holyoake seconded, the voting was unanimous.
11. **DRG USER FEES 2021-22**  
AGREED – that the DRG user fees for 2021-22 will be £200, due to non-attendance during lockdown.
12. **VILLAGE MATTERS**
  - 12.1 A memorial for Gwen and Peter Westwood – it was agreed that a bench with a plaque would be an excellent memorial in recognition of their contribution to the Dallington community (ideally on the B2069 where the broken bench is. The Clerk will contact their granddaughter to decide arrangements.
  - 12.2 Dallington Village Sign – it was agreed that this will be a project for the future.
  - 12.3 No other village matters for discussion.
13. **PLANNING**
  - 13.1 RR/2021/1241/P October Cottage, South Lane  
Removal of existing garage, erection of front porch and two-storey side and rear extension incorporating new internal garage.  
AGREED – to make a general comment only, DPC cannot decide on a decision as the plans are inconsistent. We also note that there is no discussion for an independent sewage system.
  - 13.2 RR/2021//1690/L Martlet, The Street  
AGREED – to support this application but need to be assured that potential noise and fumes do not affect neighbours or the environment.
  - 13.2 No other planning matters for discussion.
14. **ENFORCEMENT**
  - 14.1 No Dallington items on RDC's weekly enforcement list.
  - 14.2 No other enforcement matters for discussion.
15. **HIGHWAYS/RIGHTS OF WAY**  
Road surfaces are still very poor, very little action is taken by ESCC Highways regarding potholes etc.

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## 16. FINANCE

- 16.1 Bank balances at 30.08.21  
DPC deposit account - £18,851.10  
DPC current account - £2,188.40  
DRG current account - £979.54
- 16.2 RESOLVED – to approve the following payments. The Chairman proposed and Councillor Holyoake seconded, the voting was unanimous.  
Dallington Parish Council account  
Clerk, salary/home office/expenses (Aug/Sept 2021) - £857.90  
\* DVH hall hire (2019-20 - £270.00  
\* RALC subscription (2021-22) - £75.00  
Dallington Recreation Ground Account  
\* G. Keeley, DRG mowing x 3 - £90.00  
\* Already paid
- 16.3 RESOLVED – to approve the budget monitor and bank reconciliations at 30.08.21. Councillor Holyoake proposed and Councillor Ridley seconded, the voting was unanimous.
- 16.4 AGREED – that Councillors Ridley and Gray will authorise payments until the November meeting.
- ## 17. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS
- 19.10.21 – planning/consultation meeting (provisional, will only be held if required)  
16.11.21 – full council meeting  
Both to start at 7.30pm in Dallington Village Hall