

## DENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



### **MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY JULY 17TH 2017** **FOLLOWING THE PLANNING MEETING WHICH COMMENCED AT 7.30**

#### **In the Jubilee Hall**

**Councillors:** Robert C .T. Wardley (Chairman), Katherine Whitbread (Vice Chairman), Matt Lunn, Robert C. Rous, John Calver, Mary Mann, Doris Dearing, Nick Watts, Rebecca Smith

**Copied for information to:-** District Councillors Paul Rous and Christopher Hudson  
County Councillor Stephen Burroughes

**Present:** Robert C .T. Wardley (Chairman), Matt Lunn, Robert C. Rous, John Calver, Mary Mann, Doris Dearing

**Clerk:** Ruth Hart

1. APOLOGIES: Cllr Katherine Whitbread, Cllr Nick Watts, Cllr Rebecca Smith
2. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON MAY 15TH 2017:  
Annual Parish Meeting      Annual Meeting of the Parish Council  
Both sets of minutes were agreed and signed as a true record
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Ch. Cllr Wardley (Suffolk Constabulary, Dennington Consolidated Charities), Cllr M. Mann (Village Hall), Cllr R.Rous (DCC, Church)
4. REPORTS: These included an update on matters identified at May 2017 meeting:-  
(i) Frozeley Bridge: It had been reported that the carriageway on the B1116 from Owls Green towards Dennington was rutted. SCDC had responded to the reporting of the matter that no further action was required at the time.  
(ii) B116 on the bend as you approach Dennington from Framlingham – The overhanging hedge obscuring 30mph sign and causing traffic to veer onto opposite side of road. The Clerk reported that she had referred the matter to SCDC following the meeting, that they had inspected the hedge and had issued a letter requesting the householder cut the hedge. However, several other complaints had been received, both verbal and by email, by the Chair and the Clerk, and the matter had again be referred to Highways on June 30th. A second letter has been issued and Highways were due to inspect on July 7th. The meeting reported that the hedge had not been cut and the Clerk was instructed to refer the matter again to SCDC.  
  
No report was recived from C.Cllr. Stephen Burroughes.  
No report was received from D. Cllr Paul Rous
5. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: It was reported that Footpath 20 adjacent to Churchfield Cottages had been cut back this summer but was becoming overgrown. Clerk to refer to SCDC

Cllr R. Rous informed the meeting that he had been approached by Highways to cut a number of verges within the parish, and had agreed.

Chair Cllr R. Wardley reported that despite their best efforts, the village square was beginning to look rather tatty as a number of posts etc were still in need of repair/replacement. (To be considered at next meeting).

Concern was also raised about the apparent abandonment of a red Nissan Micra parked on the highway in front of the church gates and causing an obstruction for emergency vehicles etc.

Clerk to refer to SCDC.

6. TO CONFIRM THE REPRESENTATIVES TO: SALC and Dennington Sports Club.  
Cllr M. Lunn confirmed that he was happy to remain the council's representative.

7. CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk reported:-

Bank Accounts as at 29/06/2017

Current Account £1,785.39

Equipment Account £8,392.39

Everyday saver £4,673.79

She reported that total spend for the first quarter of the year is £1,345.00. No budgets appear to be heading for an overspend, but, additional hours worked by Clerk are currently 12hrs. This will be reviewed at the September meeting.

**Cheques signed since last meeting**

100115 Hall Hire Sept 2016 to June 2017 £90

**Cheques to be agreed and signed at this meeting:**

100116 R. Wardley, diesel £7.41

The meeting agreed to the above cheques.

**other action undertaken included:-**

(i) publishing public rights to inspect accounts and documents on website and noticeboard

(ii) sending off BDO audit paperwork

(iii) publishing all information for general election on noticeboards

(iv) circulating Good Councillor's Guide to Finance and Transparency

8. UPDATE ON PARISH/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: Cllr M. Lunn agreed that he would review the questions previously used and bring a revised set to the September meeting.
9. TO CONSIDER THE POSITION OF DENNINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:  
Following a brief discussion on whether the Neighbourhood Watch scheme was currently active in Dennington, it was agreed that Cllr D. Dearing would approach someone she knew who had recently volunteered and to report to the September meeting.
10. TO CONSIDER FUTURE PLANS FOR THE TELEPHONE KIOSK AT OWLS GREEN:  
(i) supply and installation of defibrillator: The Clerk reported that C. Cllr S. Burroughes had agreed to fund this. Clerk to write formally requesting this.  
(ii) repainting: Following a short discussion it was suggested, and agreed, that a poster be put on the Owls Green noticeboard informing them that the PC now owned the telephone kiosk

and were planning to install a defibrillator, and asking for volunteers to maintain the kiosk.  
Clerk to organise

11. CORRESPONDENCE : To note that "The Good Councillor Guide to Finance and Transparency" and "Suffolk Coastal Lite" have been circulated
12. TO CONFIRM DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS FOR REMAINDER OF 2017: September 11th 2017 at 7pm  
November 20th at 7pm Budget **Please note this a change from the previously published date**
13. PUBLIC SESSION: Nothing raised

Meeting closed 8.10

Signed **R. Wardley**

Date 17/09/2017