**DENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY FEBRUARY 27th 2017 which followed the planning meeting (7.15)

In the Jubilee Hall

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

*Copied for information to:- District Councillors Paul Rous and Christopher Hudson*

 *County Councillor Stephen Burroughes*

*Present:* Cllr Robert C .T. Wardley (Chairman), Cllr Matt Lunn, Cllr Robert C. Rous, Cllr Mary Mann, Cllr Doris Dearing,Cllr Nick Watts,

County Councillor Stephen Burroughes

*Clerk: Ruth Hart Members of Public: 0*

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr K. Whitbread, Cllr R. Smith, Cllr J. Calver

2. **TO CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 7TH 2016:**  These were confirmed and signed as a true record

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**: Cllr R. Wardley (DCC. Suffolk Constabulary), Cllr R.Rous (DCC, Church,), Cllr M. Mann (Village Hall), Cllr N. Watts (Village Hall)

4. **REPORTS:**

 C.Cllr S. Burroughes attended the meeting and delivered his report. The summary is as follows, and the full report can be found on the Parish Council website:-

 Suffolk's GCSE results still rising

 Home to school travel for post 16 policy consultation

 New mental health report announced

 Opportunity knocks for Ipswich

 Oak posts at The Square/Pond Site: It was reported that damage had been sustained to a number of oak posts at both these sites. It is hoped that repairs will be completed soon.

 Fly-tipping: Ch. Cllr R. Wardley informed the meeting that there had been 2 incidents of fly tipping recently. One was now in the hands of SCDC who were pursuing the matter with the delivery company. The second incident had been followed up with the resident concerned. Councillors expressed concern, remarking on the reduction of recycling sites in the locality.

 Hedging boundary at playing field: The meeting expressed their thanks to Cllr K. Whitbread for supplying the saplings.

 Telephone kiosks at Swainston Way and Owls Green: The Clerk informed the meeting that the telephone kiosk at Swainston way had been removed without prior warning and at the landowners request. She informed the meeting that arrangements to adopt the telephone kiosk at Owls Green were underway with BT. The contract and cheque for £1 were duly signed. She informed the meeting that repairs would need to be carried out to the kiosk.

 Defibrillator: Chair Cllr Wardley informed the meeting that the new defibrillator would be installed at the bus shelter once he had taken advice from Framlingham First Responders. It is hoped that Framlingham First Responders will be able to lead some First Aid training.

 Service for Parkway3 mower: Chair Cllr Wardley informed the meeting that the service had been carried out.

5. **HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS**: Chair Cllr Wardley informed the meeting that a number of potholes, replacement signage and minor road repairs had been completed.

 Cllr R. Rous confirmed that the problem with lack of drainage of surface water at Maypole Green had been actioned.

 Cllr M. Lunn informed the meeting that the footpath linking Boxbush Lane and the water tower (A1120) was blocked, possibly by an oiltank. C. Cllr S. Burroughes agreed to follow this up.

6. **TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ANNUAL POLICIES, (UNCHANGED)** Standing Orders, Financial Regulations: These policies were approved and signed.

7. **TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO THE ASSET REGISTER** (includes defibrillator and new picnic tables): Councillors noted the addition of the defibrillator to the Asset Register and the new picnic tables. The Asset register was duly signed.

8. **CLERK'S REPORT:** The Clerk reported the following bank balances:- Current Account £1,948.47 Equipment Account £8,392.39 Everyday Saver £1,600.21

 Cheques agreed and signed since last meeting:

 100100 Realise Futures (picnic tables) £1,700.00 100101 Imperative Training Ltd (defibrillator) £1,638.00 100102 DCC (village green rent) £ 50.00

Cheques agreed and signed at this meeting:

 100103 R. Hart (sundries) £ 16.23 100104 SALC (clerk's training) £ 30.00 100105 Bartram Mowers (service) £ 499.91 100106 R. Hart (salary) £ 360.00 100107 BT Telephone kiosk £ 1.00

 The Clerk confirmed that she had submitted the precept request of £8,850, and submitted the VAT reclaim for £ 648.58

 She informed the meeting that she had been notified of the change to external auditors 2017/18 and next 5 yrs PKF Littlejohn LLP

 She confirmed that she had written to Dennington Primary School regarding parking issues raised at the November meeting

 She confirmed that she had received thank you letters re donations from EAAA, CAB, Church, Village Hall

9. **TO ARRANGE ARRANGEMENTS/DATE FOR ANNUAL LITTER PICK:** The date was confirmed as Thursday April 13th, meeting at the Village Hall at 6pm.The Clerk will contact Suffolk Norse for refuse sacks etc

10. **CORRESPONDENCE :**

* It was noted that the new Parish Recorder is Maggie Aggiss
* It was noted that the Clerk has received new Electoral Register supplied in accordance with the Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations
* It was noted that SNT terms of reference have been circulated
* It was noted that the EDF Sizewell C Stage 2 consultation has been circulated (consultation period closed February 3rd)
* It was noted that the Clerk has received a letter from Stephen Baker informing that both Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils have agreed to make a formal request to the Secretary of State to dissolve the 2 existing councils and create one new single council

11. **THE DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

 May 15th 2017 7pm Annual Parish Meeting

 May 15th 2017 (following the APM), the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

12. **PUBLIC SESSION:** Nothing raised

Signed R. Wardley Date 15/05/2017