

DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2014 IN DOLTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

Apologies: Cllr A Haynes, Cllr R Lock – Ward Councillor,

Present: Cllr J Lock -Chair, Cllrs C Giles, S Jury, N Walker, S Lune, R Dunn, J Rolls, the Clerk, and 2 members of the public.

Members were invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting.

Cllrs Lock and Jury declared an interest in matters relating to Dolton and Dowland Village Hall. Cllr Dunn in matters relating to Zurich Insurance

PUBLIC SESSION

There was a query over the proposal to erect log cabins at the caravan park – would they would be for holiday use only? DPC had already submitted its comments to TDC reinstating this should be the case.

56(14/15) MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on Monday 7th July 2014, Monday 21st July 2014 and Wednesday 20th August 2014 having been circulated were agreed and signed as being a true and correct record.

57(14/15) CLERKS REPORT-The Local Plan Consultation evening held on the 23rd July 2014 had been well attended with 36 members of the public present. Cllrs Haynes and Dunn did a presentation which was followed by a question and answer session.

Mr David Lock had been awarded the village grass cutting contract until 31st March 2016 following the termination of Grounds Maintenance SW contract.

There had been an issue with public bins in the village not being emptied which has now been resolved with the exception of the bin at the Barfield playground which the clerk is still investigating who is responsible. Comments from the Ward Councillor were read out which explained the new registering to vote procedure. It is now the responsibility of individuals rather than the head of the household to register. Most people will have to do nothing but individuals who are required to register will be contacted by the council and must respond.

58(14/15) CORRESPONDENCE

<u>CORRESPONDENT</u>	SUBJECT	ACTION
Devon Highways	Invite to Town and Parish Conference at Clinton Hall, Merton, Wednesday 17 th September 9.30-16.00	Book for 4 to attend
CPRE –Campaign to protect Rural England	Invite to Seminar with guest speaker Mel Stride, Friday 19 th Sept. 9.30-12.30 Charter Hall Okehampton +newsletter	Newsletter in reading file
DCC	Consultation on Waste Plan proposals modifications	Reading file
Martin Prentice	TAP FUND proposal for Long House Project	Agenda item 9
CAB – Citizen Advice Bureau	newsletter	Reading file
Barnstaple Town Council	Invite to Environment School – sat 11 th October	
DALC	Invite to AGM –Westpoint – Sat 11 th October + Annual Report	2 voting delegates may attend + report in Reading file
HEALTHWATCH VOICE	Newsletter	Reading file
Devon Senior Voice	Newsletter	Reading file

DALC	Letter advising of new 'Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014' – updating of standing orders recommended	Update of standing orders required + notice advising meetings may be filmed or recorded – Agenda item next meeting.
Community Council of Devon	Village Green Magazine	Reading File

59 (14/15) FINANCE a) Accounts to pay 1st September 2014

Name	Item	Vat	Total	Cheque No
Mrs W Holland	Home office july/august -£20.00, printer ink-£41.62, postage £1.72		£63.34	760
D & D Village Hall	2 meetings + Consultation evening		£22.00	761
Mr M Lock	Caretaker service – 2 months + strimming at football field		£265.50	762
Mr D Lock	Grass cutting monthly charge - £170.50 + extra work at Dennis Cross and Football Field- £180.00		£350.50	763

Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Rose
 Cheque signatories – Cllr Walker, Cllr Dunn
 Invoices checked by – Cllr Giles

b) income - none

c) community grants 2014 – Application notice to be placed in Diary and notice boards. Applications to close 31st October and to be considered at November council meeting.

60 (14/15) PLANNING

- a) Applications to consider – 1/0788/2014 FUL retrospective works to dwelling – Fairlawn, Aller Road.
 – The Council were unhappy at having to comment on this application retrospectively. Their comment to TDC stated they would like to see the original style roof ridge tiles and four pane sash window style reinstated.
- b) Permissions granted– 1/0612/2014FUL – proposed single storey garage, 4 Hector Close, Dolton
- c) Permissions refused - none

61(14/15) – PARISH GROUNDS

- i) **Football field** – The chairman informed the council that Dolton Rangers had withdrawn from the ND football league for this year. The water supply to the changing rooms would be turned off.
 Cllr Rolls would enquire about a roller to roll the re-turfed area.
 In future the banks around this area would be strimmed more often.
 The new entrance gate would be in position in the near future.
- ii) **Dennis Cross** – nothing to report.
- iii) **Memorial Garden** – it was agreed that Mr D Lock should proceed with treating and raking the moss at a cost of approx. £40.

62(14/15) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC

Grass Cutting – DCC urban grass cutting contractors had done their 2nd cut of the year in the village on August 27th and their 3rd cut of the year 5 days later on 1st September! The clerk would inform Highways of their contractors actions stating the Council hoped that next year cuts could be more evenly spread out. The Dog Bin in the square was broken beyond repair – it was agreed to purchase a new one at a cost of

£115 +vat. It was agreed to remove the lid and bracket in Rectory Road from where the bin had disappeared.

There had been complaints about the positioning of the green boxes on pavements due to the installation of the new super-fast broad band system. As the boxes were no bigger than 1200mm this was legitimate. The hedge along the one-way section of Aller Road was very overgrown. Some owners have stated they would be cutting their section in the near future but ownership of other sections was proving difficult. The clerk would investigate. This section of road and West Lane were very uneven and full of pot holes. The clerk would report to highways.

63(14/15) HEALTH- Village Health Survey -Cllr Lune agreed to investigate how best to proceed with the large amount of information gathered. The chairman thanked Cllr Lune for her hard work of this issue.

64(14/15) TAP FUND 14/15 – Requests had been received from Beaford PC to consider working with them on young people’s services, and from the Long House Project. It was agreed that as Dowland had supported Dolton on projects for the last two years they should be approached to see if they had a project they would like support with.

65(14/15) MEETINGS ATTENDED – NONE

66(14/15) MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE CHAIR – To be included on the next agenda:- TAP Fund, Health Survey.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45pm

Date of next meeting Monday 6th October 2014

Signed.....Date.....

