

## DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

**DRAFT**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2012 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 P.M.**

Present: Cllr J Lock, Chair, Cllr C Giles, S.Jury, R.Dunn, N.Walker, M.Grigg, A.Haynes, J Rolls, S Lune the Clerk and 4 members of the public. Apologies: Ward Cllr R Lock

#### **227(12/13) MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September were signed as being a true and correct record. Proposed by Cllr S Jury Seconded by Cllr C Giles with all in favour.

#### **228(12/13) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Maintenance and Traffic – the 30 mph sign at the top of Stafford Hill has been replaced.

#### **229(12/13) CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondent	Subject	Action
John Hart;Leader DCC	Your community your choice – meeting dates across Devon-24 October Okehampton Charter Hall; 1 <sup>st</sup> November Barnstaple Park School; 19 Nov Bideford Pollyfield Centre all at 6.30 p.m.	Attend meeting or email your views
Gov/UK	News for Towns & Parishes	Email and Reading file
TALCP	TAP Fund letter, Application and Parish Plan update form Mr Burnage would be pleased to explain to Council if wished. Planned meeting at High Bickington 4 October postponed	Emailed and circulated. Noted
NHS Devon	A collaborative workshop on finding and mobilising community assets in social and health care 4/10/12 The Barnstaple Hotel 9-4.30 p.m.	Emailed and reading file
DALC	DALC AGM Conference Sat 6 October	Attendees?
TDC	Draft Housing Renewal Policy for comments by 17/10/12 please	Emailed and reading file.
WWD Ltd	Community Driven Housing Projects –offering free consultations	Noted
TDC	Consultation on potential changes at Northam Burrows	Please complete survey on-line or hard copy (3) in reading file.
Parochial Church Council	Letter of thanks for donation of £150. towards upkeep of churchyard (grass cutting)	Noted

#### **230(12/13) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Lock and Cllr Jury each declared personal interests in all matters relating to Dolton & Dowland Village Hall and Diamond Jubilee Committee. Cllr Giles declared an interest in Diamond Jubilee Committee.

## PUBLIC SESSION

### The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to invite members of the public to speak – none

Mr Clive Burnage was invited to describe his role as TALCP Coordinator and explained his aims of assisting Parish Councils to find ways to work together in community partnerships to achieve delivery of proposed projects and services and the ‘one-off’ funding currently available to Parishes. Cllr Jury is exploring an idea to see if it would be feasible for Dolton to jointly purchase a salt/gritting machine with Beaford Parish using this scheme. Cllr Jury said that this had come up at an Advisory Group Meeting and she had been given a funding claim form which would need to be completed by the Ward Councillor. Cllr Haynes had attended a TALCP meeting and had intended to give a verbal report later in the Agenda but this would not now be necessary. A short question and answer session followed.

### 231(12/13) DOLTON FORUM WEBSITE

The Clerk had been informed that the website is almost ready for use and would be up and running in a day or two. Cllr. Giles requested that all statistics and information provided by the public and currently held by members of the now defunct Dolton Vision Group, and the Minutes of the meetings, should be passed to the Clerk to the Parish Council for filing and safe-keeping with the Council’s records as they would therefore be easily available to the Parish Council for reference should the need arise or the Dolton Vision Group be reformed in the future.

### 232(12/13) FINANCIAL MATTERS

#### a). Accounts to pay

Name	Item	VAT	Total	Cheque No.
Mrs J Sidey	Home use –September Bk stamps £8.40, Env£1.70, Paper£4.76		10.00) 14.86)24.86	599
D&D Village Hall	Hire of Hall September		£10.00	600
Martin Lock	Caretaking – monthly charge (£104) & strimming banks (£16) Hire of strimmer- £8., T.Rolls, bleach, paper towels		£120.00 £14.56	601 602
David Lock	Grass cutting – monthly charge		£165.00	603
SWWater	Quarterly charges (estimated)		£18.03	604

Proposed: Cllr. A Haynes

Seconded: Cllr S Lune

Cheque Signatures: Cllr C Giles and Cllr M Grigg

#### b). Income –£10.00 Song of Praise Dennis Cross, 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Precept £4415.28.

Balance in dep acc. £20,791.62. Qtrly Balance Sheet 2 circulated.- Balance in curr. a/c £7640.89 less above accounts to pay.

c). Any other financial matters: Grant application from Dolton & Dowland Pre-School and Dolton School to provide extra outside seating and tables for the children was approved and the sum of £500 granted on the proposition of Cllr Giles, Seconded by Cllr Grigg with all in favour. It was agreed that from the next financial year the Council would revert to the previous system of inviting grants at set times of year rather than considering them on an ad hoc basis.

### 233 (12/13) PLANNING

5a. Applications to consider : none

5b. Permissions granted : 01/0603/2012/LBC Corner Cottage, North Street for Miss C Clevely – to form an upstairs en-suite bathroom in main bedroom

5c. Refusals advised - none

5d. To receive any other planning matters : none

**234(12/13) EMERGENCY PLANNING** – Nothing to report. Meeting planned for 2<sup>nd</sup> October

**235(12/13) PARISH GROUNDS**

Cllr Jury asked for the War Memorial stonework and steps to be cleaned and any ivy and weeds removed prior to Remembrance Sunday and it was agreed that the Parish Caretaker should be asked to undertake the task and be paid for the extra work involved. It was also agreed that plants for the pots could be purchased by Cllr Jury.

- (i) Football Field – The Clerk has been trying to chase up DCC about the proposed license for the School but cannot get a response as the person dealing with this is away on maternity leave.
- (ii) Dennis Cross. Cllr Dunn’s weekly inspections have taken place – nothing to report. Beaford Arts Centre will liaise with Cllr Dunn on the siting of the Van for their Letter Box Play event on 6<sup>th</sup> October . Cllr Dunn suggested that there is insufficient space for the proposed adult exercise equipment on the far side of the field as requested and that instead a wicker fence should be erected to provide privacy from the road for users.

**236(12/13) JUBILEE COMMITTEE**

Cllr Jury said that the Jubilee Committee’s bulbs were currently being planted in the grass splay from the Dolton sign down and should make a good display. A grant has been applied for to the Lottery Fund towards the purchase of the adult exercise equipment.

**237(12/13) PRIDE IN OUR OWN VILLAGE** – The new stone wall around the telegraph pole and stay wire has been built and completed. It was unanimously agreed that the wall is a great improvement and well constructed. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to Mr and Mrs Madge for their generosity in supplying the lovely stone without charge and the loan of the safety fencing. Cllrs Haynes and Rolls volunteered to assist Cllr Lock in removing the safety fencing and replacing the soil. The brick splay at The Paddocks to be an agenda item for next meeting.

**238(12/13) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC ISSUES**

Cllr Jury has received complaints about the depth of the hedge, which requires cutting, in Aller Road on both sides of the lay-by. Clerk will try to discover the ownership of the hedge and request it be trimmed back.

**239(12/13) MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Cllr Dunn attended a meeting on the Localism Act and gave a verbal report.

**240(12/13) ANY OTHER BUSINESS** - Cllr Haynes has joined the Devon Oil Collective scheme and has volunteered to be the local Coordinator for any Dolton people wishing to order oil through the Collective.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 p.m..

Date of next meeting: Monday 5 November at 7.30 p.m.

Signed..... Dated.....