

.DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9th MAY 2016

IN DOLTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.45PM

APOLOGIES: Ward Councillor R Lock

PRESENT: Cllr Lock (chairman), Cllrs Giles, Haynes, Martindale, Dunn, Rolls, Walker and Grigg, the clerk and 2 members of the public.

PUBLIC SESSION: How many of the Council are elected and how many are co opted? – 7 are elected, 1 co opted with 1 more about to be co opted. Now that 2 members of the Council are part of the new team editing the Diary can the public be assured it will not become political? – The team are very sensitive to this and will not let this happen. Is the playing field registration still going ahead? Yes but it is proving to be a very slow process.

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

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

19(16/17) MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting and part two held on Monday 4TH April 2016 were signed as a true and correct record.

20(16/17) CO OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR – Paul Rendell was welcomed on to the Council.

21(16/17) CLERKS REPORT: The housing survey report had been received but too late to be an agenda item for this meeting. There were a few inaccuracies but Janice Alexander who wrote the report was out of office until 19th May. She has been invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on June 6th 2016 but has not accepted as yet. A new bus timetable was now in position in the Bus Shelter.

22(16/17) CORRESPONDENCE

correspondent	content	action
DALC	newsletter	Email and reading file
Dr Alison Diamond –chief executive ND healthcare trust	Open letter following recent press coverage regarding services	Email and reading file
Dolton Village Hall committee	Thanking PC for projector	
Elaine Lester -TDC	Details of web pages for emergency planning info.	Email and reading file
SLCC	magazine	Reading file
Healthwatch	newsletter	Reading file and Friday coffee morning
Local Government Boundary Commission	Electoral Review of Torridge	Reading file and Agenda item next meeting

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23(16/17) FINANCE a)Accounts to pay 9th May 2016

Name	Item	Vat	Total	Cheque No
Mrs W Holland	Home office 10.00, ink £37.90		£47.90	894
Mr D Lock	Grass cutting monthly charge		242.41	895
Mr M Lock	March caretaking		117.00	896
D&D village Hall	March meeting + queen's birthday beacon lighting		21.00	897
DALC	Affiliation fees	26.63	202.18	898

Proposed Cllr Dunn, seconded Cllr Haynes

Cheque signatories Cllr Giles, Cllr Grigg

Invoices checked by Cllr Haynes

b) Income – TDC 1st half precept -£5233.96, HMRC vat refund-£196.83, DCC school lease fee (16/17) -£250

Bank balance – current account £8045.99(30.3.16), reserve account £20829.23, 90day notice account £41306.46

c) Annual governance statement was read and agreed and signed by the Chair and clerk.

d) Annual accounts were approved. Proposed Cllr Haynes, seconded Cllr Giles

e) Insurance Review – slightly less than last year. All agreed satisfactory. To be paid at next meeting.

f) Cllr Rendell agreed to be a new signatory for the bank accounts. Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Grigg.

a) **23(16/17)PLANNING**

b) Applications to consider - 1/0269/2016/TCA fell 1x yew, 1x Lawson cypress and 1 x laural Barlands, Rectory Road

c) Permissions granted– 1/0269/2016/TCA fell 1x yew, 1x Lawson cypress and 1 x laural Barlands,

d) Permissions refused – none

e) Any other planning matters –i)1/0846/2015 Fishleigh Park section 106 agreement – The Parish Council were asked by TDC to consider a financial contribution towards off-site play provision as part of the Section 106 agreement instead of the developer having to provide on-site play provision. The Parish Councils response was – insufficient information had been provided to make a definitive decision but they were not opposed to the principle of money received being used for recreational facilities in the Parish.

ii)TDC how to engage with the planning process session – Town Hall Bideford, Thursday 19th May 9.00-11.00 or 15.00-17.00 – Councillors who wished to attend would book their own sessions.

f) TDC Strategic plan consultation – runs until 31st May 2016 – The Council decided not to respond but individuals could make their own responses.

24(16/17) PARISH GROUNDS

a) Football Field – i) a request had been received from Mr & Mrs Collins, The Shippon to lay an underground electric cable by the hedge in the football field so they could connect electric to their newly built garage. Cllr Lock and the clerk had had a site visit with Western Power. It was agreed a one off charge of £250 to be made and permission granted subject to certain conditions being met. The wayleave agreement with western power was signed.

i) Air Ambulance landing site – Cllr Haynes reported Toby Russell from Devon Air Ambulance had visited Dennis Cross and deemed it unsuitable however, the football field was a more suitable site. Electric was available via the football pavilion. Devon Air Ambulance would now carry out a full survey and an estimate of cost would be given. When this was done they would come and give a talk to the village at an open meeting.

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- b) Dennis Cross – Cllr Dunn reported the small gate by the Paddocks was in need of repair which he would see to.
- c) War Memorial garden – the moss had been sprayed..

25(16/17) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC ISSUES

- a) CRPE ‘Our Outdoors’ competition – it was decided not to enter but aim to keep the village to a standard as if they had.
- b) Traffic Speed – traffic speed through the village was of concern especially coming down Rectory Road. It was decided to arrange a meeting between the local highways officer and the Parish Council to discuss the issue. Cllr Rendell to arrange.
- c) Rectory Road bus shelter – caretaker to be asked to repaint/treat.
- d) Signs in the square – to be an agenda item at next meeting
- e) Dog bin at Halsdon Woods – clerk to contact TDC to see if this was possible.

26(16/17) DOLTON TRANSPORT – Cllr Martindale had compiled a comprehensive directory of transport options serving the village. To be placed on the Council Website and in the Diary.

27(16/17) THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – This would be held on Monday June 6th 2016 at 7.30 in Dolton Village Hall. Janice Alexander the Rural Housing Enabler who compiled the recent Housing Survey Report or Toby Russell from Devon Air Ambulance to be asked to speak. The June Council meeting would follow this meeting

28(16/17) MEETINGS ATTENDED –nobody had attended the recent Torridge Advisory Meeting.

29(17/18) MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE CHAIR – The Diary was now in new hands run by a team of three. It was agreed the Council send a thank you to Moira for her hard work running the Diary over the last few years.

The possibility of positioning of a defibrillator in the village to be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Cllr Lock to investigate a home for the salt gritter.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, MONDAY 6TH JUNE 2016 @7.30PM
FOLLOWED BY THE JUNE COUNCIL MEETING.**

Meeting Closed at 9.02pm

There was a PART 2

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

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