

## DOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016

#### IN DOLTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Walker, Ward Councillor R Lock

**PRESENT:** Cllr Lock (chairman), Cllrs Giles, Haynes, Martindale, Dunn, Rolls and Grigg, the clerk and 3 members of the public.

**PUBLIC SESSION:** Would it be possible to investigate controlling the speed of traffic through the village? – to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

**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.

**1(16/17) MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting and part two held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016 were signed as a true and correct record.

**2(16/17) CLERKS REPORT:** nothing to report which was not coming up later in the meeting.

#### **3(16/17) CORRESPONDENCE**

correspondent	content	action
DALC	newsletter	Email and reading file
Ian Roland -TDC	Statement explaining TDC position on wind energy re: Local Plan	E mail and reading file – the council felt this was still a very wordy statement for ley people to understand
Ward Councillor R Lock	Report from DCC Highways event	Email and reading file
CPRE	Details of this years 'Our Outdoors' competition	Email - reading file – discuss at next meeting when councillors have had chance to study
Citizens advise	newsletter	Email and reading file
Will Austin –Barnstaple TC	Informing of securing 3 year agreement for ND records office	Email and reading file
Devon Communities together	Villagegreen magazine	Reading file
Grant Thornton	Audit papers	
North Devon Hospice	Invite to celebrate Queens 90 <sup>th</sup> birthday fundraiser	
Devon Senior Voice	newsletter	Reading file, Friday coffee morning

#### **4(16/17) FINANCE**

**FINANCE** a)Accounts to pay 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Name	Item	Vat	Total	Cheque No
Mrs W Holland	Home office 10.00		10.00	885
Mr D Lock	Grass cutting monthly charge		195.00	886
Mr M Lock	March caretaking		117.00	887
Mr M Lock	supplies		24.10	288

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D&D village Hall	March meeting + queen's birthday meeting		16.00	889
TDC	Charge for payroll service	24.00	144.00	890
TDC	To re position dog bin	6.00	36.00	891
SWW Ltd	Fixed charge		12.83	892
Mrs M Marshall	Plants for tubs etc		£38.00	893

Proposed Cllr Rolls, seconded Cllr Martindale

Cheque signatories Cllr Giles, Cllr Dunn

Invoices checked by Cllr Haynes

b) Income -£5 – ground rent from Dolton Rangers

c) Bank balance – current account £8045.99(30.3.16)

d) any other financial matters – i) annual review of financial regulations and internal controls policy. These were both agreed and signed by the chairman.

ii) disposal of old projector – to be sent for recycling as in a poor state of repair. The new projector to be gifted to the village hall so it could be used for village hall events. All agreed.

### **5(16/17) PLANNING**

a) Applications to consider - none

b) Applications approved - 1/0015/2016/FUL – Aller Farm, change of use of ancillary outbuildings and retention of domestic stables and vehicle workshops. New sand school with adjacent field

c) Applications refused – none

d) Any other planning matters – Cllr Hayne reported that a resident of West Lane had taken her complaint against TDC regarding their dealing with an adjoining hedge to the ombudsman and had it upheld against TDC.

7.55PM COUNCILLOR GRIGG ARRIVED AND APOLOGISED FOR BEING LATE

### **6(16/17) PARISH GROUNDS**

a) Football Field – nothing to report, –

b) Dennis Cross- Cllr Haynes had contacted Toby Russell from Devon Air Ambulance regarding providing a night time landing site for the Air Ambulance. Local communities are expected to provide the site and install the necessary lighting for the helipad site. Costs can vary from £1000 - £10000. It was agreed to have a survey done to clarify the suitability of the site and costs. Cllr Haynes to arrange.

c) War Memorial garden – very mossy, clerk to contact grass cutter regarding treatment. The flag had been damaged in recent storms and repaired by Jan Haynes.

### **7(16/17) MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC ISSUES**

Pride in Our Village Day – Good turnout of volunteers. Litter picked up from Dolton Beacon to the village, down Stafford Hill and up the footpath and down West Lane. 8 bags of rubbish were picked up. It was disappointing there were many bags of dog poo dropped on the footpath when the council provide ample bins.

**8(16/17) DOLTON TRANSPORT** – Cllr Martindale proposed putting together a directory of all types of transport available in the village eg, buses, hospital cars, ring and ride services, taxis etc. All agreed this was a good idea. Cllr Martindale agreed to start to compose. The bus timetable was missing from the bus shelter in rectory road. Clerk agreed to contact Stage Coach for a replacement.

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**9(16/17) HOUSING SURVEY** –nothing to report

**10(16/17) COUNCILLOR VACANCY** – there had been 3 applications for co option on to the Council. It was agreed to interview all three applicants. Interviews to take place from 7.30 on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

**11(16/17) QUEENS 90<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY** – Cllr Giles reported there would be tea/coffee and cake in the village hall on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April to watch the Beacon being lit at 8.30pm

**12(17/18) MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE CHAIR** – There were concerns about the future of the Diary. The present editor wished to give up and was having difficulty finding a successor. Cllr Haynes felt it could be run by a small committee and he was willing to be involved. He agreed to speak to the present editor and investigate the possibility.

Date of next meeting – AGM -Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 @ 7.30 followed by the monthly council meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.37pm.

THERE WAS A PART TWO – members of the public were asked to leave the Hall.

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

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