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MINUTES of the Meeting of Dullingham Parish Council held on Thursday 3rd October 2019 at 7.15pm
at Taylor Hall, Dullingham

PRESENT: Cllr Cary Simpson (Chair) (CS), Cllr Robert Algar (Vice Chair) (RA), Cllr Mike
Cameron (MC), Cllr Keith Owen (KO), Cllr Sarah Mardon (SM)

In attendance: Mrs L Shaw (LS). DCllr Alan Sharp (AS), 1 Member of Public.

031019/01 Apologies for absence
DCllr Amy Starkey (Absent), Cllr Gail Parkins

031019/02 To receive any declarations of interest:
1. Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in any item of business
2. Declaration of any personal and/or prejudicial interest in any items on the agenda
3. Written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests
4. Grants to any requests for dispensation
Cllr Keith Owen declares an interest in the Playground

031019/03 Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 5th September 2019
The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September 2019 were signed as a true record of the
meetings.

031019/04 Matters Arising:
1. To discuss Village Green Barriers
The Parish Council discuss the subject of barriers on the green. Cllr KO suggests a ditch,
slope or chain link fence with white posts at the front of the green. Cllr MR suggests solid
oak posts less than a transit van width apart. Cllr MR proposes looking into doing the
changes, All in favour. Cllr CS suggests Cllrs get quotes for the next meeting. The PC
have concerns about the access to the properties in Church Lane. This will be taken into
account when obtaining quotes. Cllr KO suggests placing a sign for Car Park at the
bottom of the green showing lay-by. Cllr KO suggests LS to write to the Fun Fair and ask
what is the distance they will need for access to the Green.
2. To discuss White Crown and related correspondence
The Parish Council would like to Thank Cllr MR for his sterling hard work on this subject,
it has been appreciated. A letter was sent to the Planning Committee with a response that
the application will go back to full committee at ECDC in Nov/Dec 2019. Cllr CS and Cllr
MR will respond to letter from Rebecca Saunt.
3. To discuss the new Energy Suppliers quotations
Quotation has come in for Unity Aid. PC deem it too expensive. LS will contact Npower
and ask for a quote for the next meeting.
Member of the public left the meeting at 19.50pm

031019/05 Planning Applications:
1. **19/00428/DISA** To discharge condition 5 (Foul & Water Disposal Scheme) on Decision
21.6.2019 for Variation of Condition 1 of previously approved **18/01365/FUL** for Erection
of 1 dwelling, landscaping and associated infrastructure. Site South of 18 Cross Green
Dullingham
Cllr MR suggests Objecting to the planning application on the basis that the PC doesn't
want any more water draining into the ditch based on the poor condition of the ditches
and that there is already a foul water sewage adjacent to the property, that could be
adjoined. The PC would like to mention the level of flooding within the village and this will
add to it.

Signed: _____

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2. **19/01195/FUL** Retrospective planning application for the retention of lambing barn. Great Widgham Wood, Dullingham Ley, Dullingham
PC have no objection to this planning application.
3. **19/01284/FUL** Revised design of proposed cart lodge style garage, work shop, office area and store area. 12 Vicarage Close, Dullingham
PC have reservation about the planning application large and too close to the other properties. PC recommend objection.
Cllr SM joins the meeting 20.20pm
4. **19/01362/FUL** Proposed garden room. Solomons 45 Station Road, Dullingham
PC object to the planning application based on the area is over developed and within the a grade II listed property. The new application is not in keeping with the overall look of the property.

Decisions

1. **19/01112/FUL APPROVES** Rear Roof extension to convert the roof space into two bedrooms and shower room. The Four Winds Malting End, Kirtling
2. **19/00873/FUL APPROVES** Convert existing shed/outbuilding to residential Annex 2 The Crescent Dullingham

031019/06

Play area

Cllr MC informs the PC that he has conducted a monthly report for the playground and circulated to the Cllrs prior to the meeting. Cllr MC and AR have finished staining the playground. The Shelter has been removed due to it being a danger to the site. Cllr MC will seek quote to replace it. PC had an email requesting under 3's play equipment. The fence needs to be repaired. Cllr MR suggests having separate areas for different ages. Complaints have been made about the state of the Sports Field with rubbish and overflowing bins. Cllr MR suggests funding new bins. Cllr CS will give the Sports Club number to Cllr MC for him to contact and discuss the maintenance and upkeep of the Playing Field that they are responsible for.

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County and District Councillor Report

DCllr AS informs the PC that there will be a meeting at the end of the month to address planning. AS went to a rail meeting chaired by the Jockey Club. East Anglia have new trains hoping to be working within 6 months. DCllrs AS and AS have been working with Newmarket Town Council with regards to a Local Tip. DCllr AS is on the Cambridge Bus Review. DCllr AS mentions from the Parish Forum, they are looking at doing CPR/Defib training at the NTC Memorial Hall. Comments were made again about the lack of support shown by DCllr Amy Starkey. It has been reported that DCllr Amy Starkey has attended all other parish council's meetings within the ward but not Dullingham and Kirtling. Cllrs feel very disappointed.

031019/08

Environment and Footpaths

Cllr SM informs the PC that she has been out with the bat detector a few times, and they are numerous around White Crown. Cllr SM has sent a record in to CPERC, the Cambridge records body, and mentioned that the site had received planning approval without an onsite assessment. Just so it is recorded and could force a proper assessment, if needed. The usual problem with Guy Gredleys footpath 22, has not been touched this year, after he moved it as the old one was so overgrown. Cllr SM has sent in complaints during the season, awaiting response.

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Fp 17, There is an overflowing septic tank on no man's land there, going in to an open ditch, Cllr SM has made numerous complaints. All the approach roads in to Dullingham are disgusting with litter. Thoughts on organising weekend litter pick, we would need flashing parked cars and triangles, to ensure safety.

Cllr SM has been reliably informed that the manned level crossing gates will become automatic in a couple of years.

031019/09

Assets

Cllr RA informs the PC that the bench has been removed by the pond and suggests replacing it in the Spring. Cllr RA spoke with Highways about the over hanging trees, they are due to do a site visit. Cllr RA informs the PC that the gritter is in need for some repair. Cllr KO suggests contacting Highways about replacing it. Cllr SM suggests adding to the Newsletter for volunteers for gritting.

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Financial Matters

- 010.1 Bank Reconciliation for signature
Current account balance: £34,357.76
Saving Account balance: £16,981.44
- 010.2 Letter to bank to cancel Clerk's Standing Order
Bank Forms for Signature to remove Clerk from account
Draft Budget 2020-2021
- 010.3 **Payments – To approve payment**
L Shaw - £322.40 (Sept Wages)
L Shaw Final pay including holiday October and exps(Sept & Oct) - £735.52
Cary Simpson – Reimbursement of Padlocks - £35.00
G Claydon - £210.00 Village Maintenance
The Ellesmere Centre – Printing - £11.05
Woods Hardwick – Planning Advice re White Crown – Inv 08046 - £3047.04
Cllrs would like to mention that they have not been happy with the service received. Cheque will be signed for next meeting and Cllr CS will prepare a letter for send back.
K & M Lighting – Street Lighting Maintenance Inv 5387 - £86.04

031019/11 Councillor Forum

Cllr MR suggests putting a Speed Watch post in the Newsletter and Facebook to gain volunteers for doing the watch in the village. Looking for 3 people for every session. Cllr CS will put up new speed sign. Cllr CS mentions Eagle Lane is quite difficult to hang the speed signs in. Cllr MR will look into this for next Spring. Position of the clerk still needs to be filled, Clerk will contact CAPALC to put advert on the website.

031019/12 Items for meeting to be held on Thursday 7th November 2019 at 7.15pm

Cllr MC gives his apologies for the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.35pm

Signed: _____

Chair of the Meeting

Dated: _____