

Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Diptford Village Hall

Tuesday 14 September 2010 at 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present Cllrs Foster(Chairman), Baggott, Franklin & Hill; PC Hopper & PCSO Pooley: DCC Cllr Black

10.078 Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllrs Gopal, Randall, Savery & Sutherland

10.079 To note declarations of interest in items on the Agenda None

10.080 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20.7.10, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman

10.081 Planning Applications

1. Retrospective application for replacement of storm damaged agricultural building with new agricultural building at Crabdon Manor, Diptford Ref 17/1990/10/F Harefold Ltd **No objection**

2. Retrospective listed building consent for replacement roof and first floor at Crabdon Manor, Diptford Ref 17/1992/10/lb Mr R Hay **No objection**

Planning Decisions - Noted

3. Renewal of extant permission 17/1070/07/F (Listed Building Consent) & 17/1071/07/F (householder application) for conversion of existing garage/workshop to living accommodation at Lower Coombe, Diptford Ref 17/060/10/LB & 17/1059/10/F **Conditional permission**

4. Householder application to demolish existing first floor extension and replace with larger room. Rebuild single flue chimney stack to rear elevation. Siting of new garden shed at Bonneys, Diptford Ref 17/0498/10/F **Conditional permission**

5. Listed building consent & planning permission to replace extant consent 17/0745/07/LB & 17/0744/07/F for conversion of barn to dwelling at Redundant Barn, Lower Bearscombe Farm, Halwell Ref 17/1474/10/LB & 17/1473/10/F **Conditional permission**

Planning correspondence

4. SHDC: Alleged unauthorised siting of portacabin at Stert Quarry, Thorn Farm, Diptford – The Clerk would ask for a progress report on the investigations

Standing Orders suspended

Police Report – PC Jacqui Hopper and PCSO Chris Pooley reported that there had been no crimes during July and August, although investigations were ongoing in relation to a burnt truck at Langford Barton on the 12th September. In response to complaints about the chaos of traffic diverted following the accident at Halwell, PC Hopper explained that drivers had ignored advice to divert along main roads.

Irresponsible parking continued to be a problem at school coming-out time. A Speed Indication Device (SID) would be used to monitor speeds through the village and PC Hopper would investigate whether a 20mph limit or zone was in place.

The PACT (Police and Community Team together) had been disbanded, but PC Hopper and PCSO Pooley would continue to be based at the South Brent Police Station.

Standing Orders resumed

10.082 P3 & Footpaths – No report

10.083 Diptford Playing Field – The half pipe skate ramp had been installed, inspected and was now in use, and a ramp and platform had been ordered. A football post was insecure and needed reinstating, and the road safety sign had been stolen and would be replaced. The Boundary Walk raised funds for the playing field, and a donation of £750 had been received from Barclays Bank

10.084 Finance**1. Cheques passed for payment:**

Cheque	Description	VAT	Gross
0442	S Woodman – July & Aug pay		275.72
0443	S Woodman expenses: Office £32.68, travel £17.20		49.88
0444	Devon County Council – signage	146.63	984.53
0445	Audit Commission	21.00	141.00
0446	Playsafety Ltd - Rospa inspection	69.13	464.13
0447	Community First – additional premium		53.28
0448	HMRC - PAYE		103.38
0449	Cllr Sutherland - expenses		5.60

Receipts

BGC	Alliance & Leics - Interest		0.89
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2. The Financial Statement was received

Lloyds Current Account to 30.7.10	1571.02
Less payments & unrepresented cheques	2294.19
Plus uncleared receipts	0.00
Total Lloyds Current Account	(723.17)
Alliance & Leics Acc to 5.8.10	3505.16
Less payments & unrepresented cheques	0.00
Plus uncleared receipts	0.60
Total Alliance & Leicester Account	3505.76
Total funds	2782.59

Earmarked Reserves

P3 Footpaths	449.25
Amenity Trust	0.00
Parish Plan	193.43
Total Reserves	592.68

Total uncommitted funds £2189.91

The Clerk would query Cheque 0444 (Devon CC) in relation to the original quotation

10.085 Correspondence received

1. Devon & Cornwall Police Authority – Conferences & ‘Face to face engagements’ to replace Police Authority Liaison Meetings over next 12 months. The Clerk would respond that more notice was required.
2. Mobile library service – a new timetable would be introduced from January 2011, in which the service would be restricted to a fortnightly 30 minute stop at Diptford Village Square. Details would be included in the Magazine.
3. DCC: Tough Choices - Public Meeting on public spending cuts, Ivybridge Watermark 6.30pm 2.11.10 – Cllrs Baggott and Foster would attend, and the Clerk would provide information on additional Public Meetings scheduled in South Devon
4. SHDC: Housing Strategy – Housing Surgeries 29&30 September – No one would attend. Details on free Home Safety Checks would be included in the Magazine
5. Devon Renaissance: Shaping the future of the Dartmoor Way – consultation on extending the route to the southern moor. The Clerk would suggest opening up the disused South Brent to Kingsbridge railway line for recreational purposes
6. SHDC: South Hams LDF Development Policies Development Plan Document – Adopted 15.7.10
7. DALC AGM 25.9.10 Exeter – No one would attend
8. Environment Agency – Emergency Planning Session, Glazebrook House, South Brent 3-5pm & 6-8pm 23.9.10 & Extreme Events Conference, Exeter 28.9.10 – the Clerk would ask Cllrs Randall & Sutherland if they wished to attend
9. DCC: Drainage maps for Diptford Parish – the Clerk would respond that most of the grips and sinks were missing from the plan, which may explain why they are not cleared
10. Community Council of Devon 2010 Rural Communities Conference 20.10.10 – No one would attend

Standing Orders suspended

Report from County Cllr Black, who had attended a highways meeting to extend the scheme of residents’ parking and on-street parking restrictions in Totnes to other South Hams towns. In response to Councillors’ complaints, she noted that on-street parking along Plymouth Road provided traffic calming and advised that the central line would be relocated.

She attended the Local Government Association Conference, which emphasised localisation, with Parish and Town Councils taking over more responsibilities and budgets; and she was on the Scrutiny Procurement Committee in relation to the purchasing an incinerator for residual waste. The contract would be issued in November at a cost of up to £250m.

The level of spending cuts would not be known until the October public spending review. However, spending on the Youth Services Friday night sessions had already been cut, although sports centres had continued to provide the venue without payment.

Standing Orders resumed

10.086 Reports on Meetings Attended - None

10.087 Correspondence available at the Meeting – Noted

1. SHDC Agenda & Minutes, Magazine, LDF Development Policies Development Plan Document
2. Clerk & Councils Direct, September 2010
3. DALC Newsletter Sept/Oct 2010, Annual Report 2009-2010 & Minutes of the AGM 26.9.10
4. RD&Express, Aug 2010
5. The Playing Field, Summer 2010
6. No Need for Nuclear
7. Village Green, Sept 2010
8. National Housing Federation: Affordable housing keeps villages alive
9. South Western Ambulance Service NHS: Twentyfourseven, Summer 2010
10. Trade publications

Meeting ended 9.45pm

Date of next Meeting 19.10.10