

# Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 17 February 2015 at 7.40pm

**Questions from the public** Complaints had been received about dangerous driving and antisocial behaviour between Gara Bridge and Curtisknowle, which had been reported to the police.

**DCC Cllr Vint** had submitted a report on the outcome of the Super Cluster Meeting. Diptford's Community Lengthsman's application had been awarded £3000. Cllr Foster had been in discussions with the Rattery Parish Council Chairman about a combined service and would report on progress at the next Parish Council Meeting. The Clerk would contact John Widdicombe, who had expressed an interest in carrying out the work.

**SHDC Cllr Steer** reported on major planning applications to be considered at the next Development Control Meeting. SHDC Council Tax would remain unchanged.

## MINUTES

**Present:** Cllrs Franklin (Vice Chairman), Gopal, Hill, Peach & Wood; SHDC Cllr Steer

**15.011 Apologies for absence** were accepted from Cllr Foster & DCC Cllr Vint

**15.012 To note declarations of interest and Dispensations in items on the Agenda** None

**15.013 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20.1.15, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Vice Chairman**

**15.014 Planning Applications**

**Planning Applications considered at the Meeting held on the 20.1.15 were ratified**

- Application for erection of 1no. wind turbine (estimated output 0.1megawatts) with 36.9 metre hub height, 49.9 metre tip height, and associated infrastructure at Land at SX7664 5694 Foales Leigh Farm, Harberton Ref 23/0041/15/F **Object. Adverse visual impact**
- Erection of agricultural livestock and storage building at Field at SX734 564 Holsome Park, Diptford Ref 17/0096/15/F GT & LA Lethbridge **No objection**

**Planning Decisions** Noted

- Certificate of lawfulness for existing use as a dwellinghouse at Watergate Cottage, SX 7526 5641 Diptford Ref 17/2984/14/CLE **Granted** The Clerk would complain of the lack of community involvement, as local knowledge would have been useful in assessing the applicaiton
- Householder application for refurbishments to include barn conversions to study and utility room. Replacement roof to barn and revised porch at Lower Holsome, Diptford Ref 17/2814/14/F **Conditional permission**

**15.015 P3, footpaths & highways**

- The P3 Annual Return had balance of £74.29, which the Clerk would query. No works were planned.
- No response had been received to the complaint of flooding between Kerswill Cross and Shorter Cross, which the Clerk would follow up
- Coombeshead Solar Farm – Details were given of the chaos caused by the construction vehicles, and it was considered that articulated lorries should not be in the lanes. The Clerk would complain that the Traffic Management Plan and environmental requirements had been breached. Reparation should be made for damage to the roads, including potholes and damaged signs. The Clerk would request an update on the Community Trust Fund

**15. 016 Annual Parish Meeting** – The Meeting would be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> May, with a focus on Broadband provision. Speakers would be invited from BT and Connecting Devon & Somerset

**15.017 Finance**

**1. Cheques passed for payment:**

Cheque	Description	VAT	Gross
0669	S Woodman – Jan pay		160.11
0670	S Woodman expenses: Office £25, travel £28.35		53.35
0671	SLCC - Membership		35.00
0672	Diptford Parish Hall – Computer Club BT line rental		169.90
0673	R Paul – Xmas tree		30.00
0674	Diptford Amenity Trust		500.00

**2. The Financial Statement was received**

Lloyds Current Account to 30.1.15	5523.99
<i>Less</i> payments & unrepresented cheques	948.36
<i>Plus</i> uncleared receipts	0.00
Total Current Account	4575.63
Santander Account to 31.3.13	12.39
Total funds	4588.02

**Earmarked Reserves**

P3 Footpaths	234.29
Winter Emergency Planning	800.00
Total Reserves	1034.29

Total uncommitted funds                      £3553.73

**Finance Correspondence**

**3. Resolved to grant the PCC £400 towards Churchyard maintenance (Chq 675)** Future applications should be submitted by the 30<sup>th</sup> October and should include details of costs and income associated with the churchyard maintenance.

**4. Resolved to increase the Clerk's salary to Scale Scp26 £2479.68, with effect from February 2015**

**5. Resolved to contract D Jane to cut the Diptford Recreation Field for one year from April to October 2015 at £70 per cut, based on one cut per month (maximum 8 cuts). If needed, those areas not accessible with the ride-on mower would be cut at £30 per cut (maximum 4 cuts).**

**15.018 Correspondence received**

1. DCC: Public Transport Budget – Details would be included in the magazine
2. DALC: Cllr & Mrs Foster invited to the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace

**15.019 Reports on Meetings Attended** None

**15.020 Correspondence available at the Meeting** None

*Meeting ended 9.05pm*

*Date of next Meeting 17.3.15*