

# Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Diptford Village Hall

Tuesday 17 May 2011 at 8.00pm

**Police Report** Community Support Officer Chris Pooley reported on a scheme to register bikes, phones, boats and other items on www.immobilise.com. This would make them less desirable and harder to sell on, and it would be easier for recovered items to be returned to the rightful owner.

Catalytic converters had been stolen from 4x4s and vehicles with a higher road clearance. Owners were advised to lock away vehicles, install cages around converters and register them with www.immobilise.com.

The Police Street Surgeries would continue outside the Old Rising Sun, although the surgery timetable would be more flexible.

**District Councillor Steer** thanked the Parish for its support at the elections. He had been appointed as Vice Chairman of the Development Committee and the Homes and Community Life Scrutiny Panel.

**Present** Cllrs Foster (Chairman), Baggott, Franklin, Gopal, Hill & Savery; District Cllr Steer; 3 members of the public

## MINUTES

**11.050 To accept apologies for absence** None

**11.051 To note declarations of interest in items on the Agenda** None

**11.052 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19.4.11, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman**

**11.053 Resolved to co-opt as Parish Councillors Matt Gopal, Bob Baggott, Andrew Savery, Trevor Crocker and Chris Peach.** Cllrs Gopal, Baggott and Savery completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor

### 11.054 Planning Applications

1. Erection of photovoltaic cell array in adjacent field at Broadmead, Diptford Ref 17/0985/11/F Dr G Gribbin **No objection, subject to a condition that cables to the house should be underground**

### Planning Decisions

2. Installation of 4 x 3.9 kw solar panel arrays on roof of covered yard/loafing shed and application for erection of agricultural building (part retrospective) at Wagland Farm, Halwell Ref 17/0014/11/F **Conditional approval** The Clerk would ask for clarification on condition 2 of the permission, relating to the removal of the panels when they were no longer needed for microgeneration

**11.055 P3 & Footpaths** – No funding would be available in 2011/12. Warden Paul McFadden had completed a review of the rights of way and a number of landowners had been contacted concerning ploughing and cropping. A locked gate had been reported on a right of way.

**11.056 Diptford Playing Field** – The Fun Day on the 30 April was a great success. The Clerk would order a replacement sign from Atlas Graphics up to a cost of £50.

### 11.057 Finance

#### 1. Cheques passed for payment:

Cheque	Description	VAT	Gross
0480	S Woodman – April pay		141.44
0481	S Woodman expenses: Office £35.00, travel £44.80	1.67	79.80
0482	Diptford Village Hall – Hall hire		78.00
0483	Community First - Insurance		609.93

#### Receipts

BGC	South Hams District Council - Precept		2650.00
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#### 2. The Financial Statement was received

Lloyds Current Account to 28.4.11	2908.66
Less payments & unrepresented cheques	1615.20
Plus uncleared receipts	0.00
<b>Total Lloyds Current Account</b>	<b>1293.46</b>
Santander Acc to 5.4.11	3507.77
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>4801.23</b>

#### Earmarked Reserves

P3 Footpaths	378.25
Amenity Trust	0.00
Parish Plan	193.43
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>571.68</b>
<b>Total uncommitted funds</b>	<b>£4229.55</b>

## **Finance Correspondence**

### **3. Resolved that travel mileage rates for Councillors and the Clerk be increased to 45p/mile**

#### **11.058 Correspondence received**

1. Community Council of Devon – The Parish Council would join the Members Forum
2. DALC: Election of DALC County Committee for 2011-2015 – No nomination
3. South Hams CVS – Cllr Baggott would be the Councillor ‘Specific point of contact’
4. Community Council of Devon: Devon Community of the Year – No submission
5. DALC Training & Events Calendar 2011 – Cllrs Crocker and Peach would be invited to attend the New Councillor training
6. Snow Warden arrangements – The Clerk would ask for a Devon County Highways Officer to meet the Parish Council to discuss gritting arrangements, and would obtain details on the scheme in Rattery
7. Request for a grit bin at Horner Tongue – Decision deferred until the meeting with Devon County Highways
8. Diptford Primary School purchase of land at Springfield: Request to safeguard the amenity of adjoining properties - Noted
9. British Youth Council: Local Councillor Shadowing Award – Not applicable

#### **11.059 Reports on Meetings Attended None**

#### **11.060 Correspondence available at the Meeting – Noted**

1. Tor Homes – Open Door, Spring 2011
2. Senior Council for Devon – Everyone’s Tomorrow, April 2011
3. South Hams CVS – Voluntary Vine, April-June 2011
4. DALC Newsletter, May/June 2011
5. Clerks & Councils Direct, May 2011
6. SHDC – Healthy Active Living in the South Hams, 2011/12

*Meeting ended 9.20pm*

*Date of next Meeting 21 June*