

# Diptford Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 7.30pm

## Questions from the Public

Ham Sampford had announced his retirement from looking after the 'Circle in the Square' and Councillors recognised his hard work and commitment in keeping the village looking attractive over the years. Beverly Sugden and Carol Partridge were taking on the responsibility and discussed their proposals.

The WI and School had undertaken the 'Clean for the Queen' on the weekend in the snow, and it was noted that the rubbish was already returning, particularly along the ridge road. Parishioners would be encouraged, in the Magazine, to continue clearing the roads, although high visibility jackets would be recommended.

## DRAFT MINUTES

**Present:** Cllrs Foster (Chairman), Baggott, Crocker, Franklin & Peach; 2 members of public

**16.023 Apologies for absence** were accepted from Cllrs Hill, Lethbridge & Parker Davidson; SHDC Cllr Steer & DCC Cllr Vint

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

**16.025 The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9.2.16, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman**

### 16.026 Planning Applications

1. Householder application for proposed new car port, minor external and internal alterations and confirmation of previously agreed like for like joinery repairs and re-roofing at The Old Rectory, Church Square, Diptford Ref 0276/16/HHO Mr R Knight **No objection**
2. Householder application & Listed Building Consent for enlargement of existing vehicle access gate adjoining Listed structure at The Old Smithy, Crabadon Cross to Gara Bridge, Curtisknowle Refs 0179/16/LB & 0180/16/HHO Mr G Murphy **No objection**

### Planning Applications considered at the Meeting held on the 9.2.16 were ratified

3. Householder application for single storey, partial replacement, extension to the side, refurbishment and construction of new double garage at Green Acre, Diptford Cross to Laurel Cottage, Diptford Ref 3109/16/HHO Mr & Mrs Titford **No objection**
4. Householder application for rear extension, single storey to provide boot room, rear access and garden room and change of use to domestic curtilage at Etheridge Farm Barn, Etheridge to Slipperstone via Murtwell, Diptford Ref 0005/16/HHO Mr & Mrs P Collings **No objection**

### 16.027 Playing Field

1. Diptford Amenity Trust Acc 02042009 £8091.73; Acc 00196602 £135.44
2. At its AGM, the Playing Field Group agreed to retain half the pitch, with the north side to be re-wilded. A cleaning day had been arranged on the 19 March, when the timbers of the climbing frame would be inspected. The shelter roof would be repaired over the summer. Mike Cox was researching a new climbing frame.

**16.028 P3, footpaths & highways** Items to be undertaken by the Community Lengthsman would be submitted to Cllr Crocker. The Clerk would advise DCC Highways of the blocked easement at New Park, which was causing flooding.

### 16.029 Finance

#### 1. Cheques passed for payment:

Cheque	Description	VAT	Gross
0729	S Woodman – Feb pay		170.90
0730	S Woodman – Travel £28.35, Expenses £35.67		64.02
0731	Diptford Parish Hall		89.00
<b>Receipts</b>			
BGC	Santander - Interest		0.38

**2. The Financial Statement was received**

Lloyds Current Account to 23.2.16	1648.06
<i>Less</i> payments & unrepresented cheques	323.92
<i>Plus</i> uncleared receipts	0.00
Total Current Account	1324.14
Santander Account to 1.2.16	1014.49
Total funds	2338.63

**Earmarked Reserves**

P3 Footpaths	74.29
Winter Emergency Planning	800.00
Total Reserves	874.29

Total uncommitted funds                      £1464.34

**3. Resolved to contribute up to £250 towards the refurbishment of the Circle in the Square, in accordance with the agreed proposals****16.030 Transparency Code**

**Resolved to set up a [Diptfordparishcouncil.org](http://Diptfordparishcouncil.org) website, in order to comply with Transparency Code requirements, with links into the community website. The Clerk would register the domain name at a cost of £22 and set up the website using Wordpress, for which she would be paid an additional 10 hours**

**16.031 Correspondence received**

1. Michelmore Hughes: Charities Act – alternative land uses were considered
2. CPRE & acre: Devon Neighbourhood Plan Roadshow, Hannahs 18.3.16 – No one would attend
3. DALC Highways Conference 16.3.16 10am-4pm – No one would attend
4. South Brent Caring: Dementia Conference 18.3.16 Watermark, Ivybridge – No one would attend
5. Devon Communities Together: Membership invitation £50 – To be reconsidered once negotiations on the Amenity Trust Public Liability insurance had been concluded

**16.032 Reports on Meetings Attended None****16.033 Correspondence available at the Meeting None**

*Meeting ended 9.05pm*

*Date of next Meeting 12.4.16*