

**Minutes of the Meeting of Doddinghurst Parish Council General Purpose Committee
held at 20.30 on the 18th April 2012, Parish Room (adjacent the Village Hall),
Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst.**

Present: Cllrs: Alan Farrow (Chairman), Mrs Diane Rogers-Harrison, Mrs Julia Le Page.

Apologies for absence. Cllrs. Gerry Smith, Mrs A Richards, Graham W Bateson.

1. **Declaration of Interests relating to items on the agenda.** None declared.
2. **Resolved:** Approved, the minutes of the GP meeting held on the 21st March 2012.
3. **Information:** Update on action since prior meeting. Major bridge work on footpath 10 completed, minor bridge faults discussed with local footpath RoW volunteer repairs team and work ongoing. Peartree sign obtained, awaiting fitting. Parish Room carpet cleaned. Jubilee Oak Tree planted on Peartree Green and cage protector installed. Jubilee commemorative plaque remains to be provided - clerk to provide suggested wording & layout.
4. **Information:** Update on Teen Village restoration. (see attached photo).
 - i. The damaged module was recovered in July 2010 and since then it has been in store pending a decision on its replacement.
 - ii. The contractor who has it needs to clear his depot and needs a decision from the council and the main choices are:
 - iii. (1) Dispose of the unit at nil cost and an asset write off of £2712 for the one module.
 - iv. (2) Repair and replace the module using the contractor who has stored it for the past 20 months for approx £1000.
 - v. A third option emerged at the last PC meeting where Cllr Parker offered to collect, repair and replace the unit. This will cost £300 + any charges levied by Cllr Parker.

The view of the committee that given the above and the fact that 2 sections of the equipment remain that the damaged section should be written off disposed of.
5. **Information:** Bus Club Finances for 2011/12. Noted that the Village Bus Club continues to be well received and only cancelled two trips in 11/12 and that was due to snow or the effect of snow. Funds have continued to grow and ended the year at £925 having donated £100 to Brentwood Community Transport during the year.
6. **Information:** Statement of costs re field management /FC statement of costs.
Noted the annual statement of cost sharing for football field maintenance, summarised as:

	Total for Year*	3,376.62
Less contribution from Parish Council (62.5%)		2110.39
	Balance for 2011/12	£1,266.23

7. **Any Other Urgent Business** strictly for information only:
 - Replacement of play equipment in CPA - Komplan brochures.
 - Provision of bench seat in CPA
 - Removal of CCTV camera
 - Outstanding bill for electricity from V Hall.

The meeting closed at 21.45

Signed:

Dated: 16th May 2012



Original assembly of 3 modules.



Current arrangement with one module missing which was uprooted in 2010 and rolled away to the woods on the far side of the football fields. The higher unit has been fire damaged and had to be repaired following the front handrail assembly being wrenched off. The unit removed weighs 250kg and is about 1.8m wide x 2.5m tall.



This is the module removed to the woods. It was moved several times and the fibre glass roof canopy punctured in a number of places and fires set in the base. The unit was also already damaged having been rammed by a car in 2005 (see below).

