

**Minutes of the Meeting of Doddinghurst Parish Council General Purpose Committee
held at 20.00 on the 19th October 2011, Parish Room (adjacent the Village Hall),
Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst.**

Present: Cllrs: Alan Farrow (Chairman), Graham W Bateson, Mrs Diane Rogers-Harrison, Gerry Smith, Mrs Julia Le Page.

1. **Apologies for absence.** Clr. Mrs A Richards
2. **Declaration of Interests relating to items on the agenda.** None declared.
3. **Resolved:** Approved the minutes of the GP meeting held on the 21st September 2011.
4. **Information:** Update since last meeting. Communication from ECC over re-siting notice board chased but still no reply. Awaiting response from GW over proposals for bollards at Peartree Field but currently on holiday.
5. **Resolved:** Proposals for skate-park and liaison with young people in the village. Approved: the text of letters to parents and youths relating to a petition to provide a skate park in the village. Clr Farrow to take the lead in liaising with the families concerned.
6. **Information:** Noted: Risk Assessment summary for 2011 completed.
7. **Resolved:** Approved, with amendments, draft letter re. Highway repairs, arising from PC meeting of the 6th October 2011.
8. **Information:** Noted: ongoing delays to repair of Footpath 10 repairs and maintenance schedule by ECC. The Clerk to chase ECC for action.
9. **Information:** Noted: 40 x 20kg bags of road salt received. The salt is treated with molasses. The salt bin has been refilled. Bags have been issued to: D Dicker, Diane Rogers Harrison, Adrian Oliver, Julia Le Page, Bill Reid, Peter Fisk, Post Office Salt, Groundsman, The Clerk, B Overton, Alan Farrow. Eighteen bags remain to be allocated.
10. **Information:** Eileen Ehren memorial bench at Peartree Green has been broken and has been removed as unsafe. It is beyond economic repair. No agreement was reached on its replacement. The Clerk is to investigate the policies adopted for Memorial benches by other Councils for future application.
11. **Information:** Noted the de-scaling and flushing of the showers/ water system by DOFC and that senior football clubs are using the facility again.
12. **Any Other Urgent Business** strictly for information only.

The meeting closed at 22.00

Signed:

Dated: 23rd November 2011