

**Minutes of the Meeting of Doddinghurst Parish Council General Purpose Committee
held at 20.00 on the 21st November 2012, Parish Room (adjacent the Village Hall),
Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst.**

Present: Cllrs: Alan Farrow (Chairman), Mrs Julia Le Page, P Arnell, D Potter, Mrs Diane Rogers Harrison, Colin Enderby and Graham W Bateson.

1. **Apologies for absence.** Cllrs: Gerry Smith.
2. **Declaration of Interests relating to items on the agenda.** None declared.
3. **Resolved:** Approved, the minutes of the GP meeting held on the 17th October 2012
4. **Information:** Update on actions since prior meeting.
 - Meeting books obtained and one used for 1991 to 2001 minutes.
 - Large swing shackle fitting obtained for all 4 large swings (8 sets).
 - Bye Laws Notice obtained. To be erected near main gate off small car park.
 - Jubilee Tree and B Windhagauer Plaques obtained, awaiting fitting.
 - New Playchips have been laid in CPA and log edging repaired.
 - Parish Room Roof Damage - insurers given go ahead for repair.
 - Basketball notices replaced (boards & hoops refurbished, wall repainted).
 - Footpath - spring water - Matt Coombs to progress walkway.
 - CPA refurbishment, catalogue and contract material passed to Cllr A Farrow.
 - War Memorial work - replied to Caroline Seville. Noted PCC to provide a £3000 fund.
 - Scalectrix Trial - replied to Robin Ekblom re possibility of trial at Scout Hut during summer holidays. He is to contact Karen Powell.
 - Small car park scout meter hut. Power Co. quoted £25k to move meter hut. Karen Powell dealing.
 - Peartree Field Hedges and Mounds. Contacted Andy Laing re. hedge layer. Mr Porter indisposed at present.
 - Doddinghurst Road trees and shrubs through "The Dip"- now cut thanks to Cllr Roger McCheyne.
 - Public Transport - Bus Stops and 261 evening service - ongoing, the clerk is to write to Wendy Richardson about an extension of the evening service to 22.00.
 - Scout path lighting - two lights failed next to small car park and to be repaired.

5. Any Other Urgent Business strictly for information only. Cllr Bateson asked if the highways work by the new surgery on the Blackmore Road had been fully completed? He considered the white lining at and near the Deal Tree junction unfinished. Cllr Le page asked what would happen to the car park at Shenfield when the CrossRail project was implemented there? Cllr Bateson asked about Village Green protection for the Parish Council owned playing fields.

The meeting closed at 21.00

Signed:

Dated: 16th January 2013