

**Minutes of the Meeting of Doddinghurst Parish Council General Purpose Committee
held at 20.00 on the 21st September 2011, Parish Room (adjacent the Village Hall),
Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst.**

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

1. **Apologies for absence.** Clr. Mr G 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 15th June 2011.
4. **Information:** Verge Bollards in the vicinity of Peartree Playing field entrance: additional considerations. It was noted that vehicles had been parking on the Middle Green verge when the Peartree verge was occupied and therefore there was a risk of the proposed Peartree bollards simply resulting in the displacement of parked cars etc to the opposite green verge. It was agreed that a letter for the link and the football club should be prepared to explain the problem and seek support for a ban on verge parking to prevent damage to the grassed areas.
5. **Resolved:** Following a report that the old seats stored at the Allotment site were beyond a serviceable condition it was agreed that two all metal seats (Branson leisure Greenstead bench at £469 in dark green) be provided in the Spring of 2012.
6. **Information:** Parish Council Notice Board relocation near the Village Post Office. Noted that formal agreement from Essex County Council to site the notice board in the new location was still awaited.
7. **Information:** Footpath repairs and maintenance. The resident at Barfield Farm had cleared footpath 4 and members of the football club had cleared part of Footpath 35. Footpath 10 remained closed and a response (subsequent to the meeting) has been provided on the repairs to Footpath 10 bridge by Outings lane (damaged gabions) and cutting schedule for footpaths on Doddinghurst by ECC contractors.
8. **Any Other Urgent Business** strictly for information only. Winter gritting salt - bags ordered (one tonne of 40 x 25 kilo bags)

The meeting closed at 21.55

Signed:

Dated: 19th Oct 2011