

## Minutes of the Meeting of Doddinghurst Parish Council held at 20.00 on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2011, Parish Room, Church Lane, Doddinghurst.

**Present:** Clrs: Mrs D Dicker (Chairman), Mrs J Le Page, Mr G Smith, Mr G W Bateson, Mrs D Rogers-Harrison, Mr A Oliver, Mr C Enderby, Mr A Smith: Borough Clrs: Roger McCheyne, Keith Parker and Keith Sparling.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Received from: Clrs A Farrow, P Davenport, A Richards, County Councillor Ann Naylor.
2. **Resolved.** Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2011 approved and signed.
3. **Declaration of Interests from Members.** None Declared.
4. **Noted: Clerk's report back on progress for the month of January 2011:**
  - i. Emergency repairs to Parish Room Lights completed.
  - ii. A second tonne bag of rock salt has been delivered to rear of Budgens by Essex County Council.
  - iii. Power supply for temporary CCTV camera installed.
  - iv. Peartree Field entrance restoration completed.
  - v. Nature Trail marker post reinstalled after youths removed it.
  - vi. Scout Path lights: Karen Powell invited to apply for small grant for repairs to timer.
  - vii. Children's Play Area - Log edging repaired.
  - viii. Responses given to enquiries on Localism initiatives regarding neighbourhood planning and devolution of services.
  - ix. Swallow's Cross remedial highways work chased with Adrian Tidbury.
  - x. P3 grant payment for footpath repairs in 2010/11 applied for.
  - xi. No burials or allotment renewal during the month.
  - xii. One planning application received – see agenda.
5. **Noted: Schedule of Correspondence received up to the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011.**
6. **Financial Reports and Minutes and Feedback from Committees.**
  - a. **Resolved:** Financial Reports for January 2011 approved.
  - b. **Resolved:** Schedule of Payments for January 2011 approved and signed.
  - c. **Information:** Noted: No planning meetings held in January 2011.
  - d. **Information:** Noted: Minutes of the General Purposes meeting of the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011.
  - e. **Feedback from Members relating to Committees attended since last meeting.** Noted: Highways localism mtg: Swallows Cross work now costed at over £44k and approved for completion in coming weeks following a letter to the leader of Essex County Council requesting action to resolve the problem. Position of other local highway repair matters reviewed.
7. **Resolved:** Approved the March 2011 Newsletter and related publication fee of £200.
8. **Resolved:** No specific action related to celebration of the Royal wedding on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011 but to celebrate the Jubilee for the 60<sup>th</sup> year of the Queen as Monarch in 2012.
9. **Resolved:** Approved the "Statement of Intent" for training.
10. **Withdrawn:** Action relating to Swallows Cross junction improvements given the news that the original project has now been authorised and is scheduled to be completed in the next two months.
11. **Resolved:** Approved the continued free of charge use of the Parish Room for a monthly meeting by Neighbourhood Watch until end March 2012.
12. **Resolved:** Approved comments to planning application BRW/37/2011 as "No Comments".
13. **Resolved:** Approved repairs to CPA self closing gate at £313 by Wicksteed.
14. **Information:** To note that an event for 30/40 Teenagers, managed by Grangewater, is planned for the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2011 between 13.00 & 16.00. The majority of the cost will be covered by an admission fee of £6.
15. **Information:** To note that the Chairman's letter has been circulated for comment prior to issue.
16. **Other urgent information** (No council actions/letters/undertakings permissible on this item).

**The meeting was closed at 21.15**

Comments during the "Public Session". Borough Councillors reported that: £10k has been set aside in 2011/12 budget for All Saints Church path replacement, these funds are to combine with £4k offered by the Friends of All Saints – for a path that is not asphalt; NHW proposed the PC hold a presentation relating to digital TV switchover, to explain the help available and the scams to avoid; All planning permission related activity for the new surgery is signed off.

The meeting was attended by 4 members of the public.

**Minutes signed:**

**Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011**