

## DAGLINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES 16/03/17

Minutes of The Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in Daglingworth Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Chair Cllr Chris Price, Cllr Liz Keen, Cllr Geoff Elliott, Cllr Roger Giles, Cllr Graham White and 2 parishioners

### AGENDA

1 Apologies

There were no apologies

2 Declaration of interests

There were none

3 Minutes of last meeting

Signed by Chairman

4 Matters arising from minutes

(i) up-date on parish website

It was agreed that all the Parish Councillors and the Clerk should use the Daglingworth Parish Council e mail address so all can have access to all emails pertinent to the Parish.

The village website information should be posted on the village notice boards e.g.:- The date of the next PC meeting Everyone is welcome to contribute to the website but needs to contact Sonia

Action Clerk

(ii) Update on Highways matters

The tarmac laid by Complete Utilities at the bottom of Overley road by telephone box is wearing badly already. There is also a succession of large potholes along Overley road near Park Corner

Potholes along Church Road are growing

Potholes are dangerously bad coming down Dowers Lane from Itlay

There is a serious danger to cyclists from the potholes – eg a very serious incident down Dowers Lane last year.

Request that John Gray has an overview of the road conditions around Daglingworth and Complete Utilities review their tarmac repairs

Action Chairman

High Path has a dangerous hump where badgers have excavated the soil at the side of the path.

Action Cllr Elliott and Chairman Chris Price

The silt trap has filled up at the bottom of Overley Road – this is to be addressed in the new financial year

(iii) up-date on defibrillator

There is to be a fund of £2000 per councillor in the CDC but this will be a small amount potentially available to the Parish.

Gordon Downey has offered to lead a fund raising initiative. It was reported that The British Heart Foundation fund that was potentially available had been exhausted. It was agreed that the PC would take on a 4 year contract with the South West Ambulance Service Foundation Trust for 2 defibrillators. The contract is £750 plus VAT annually and paid up-front for 4 years.

(iv) Update on ‘Dog fouling’

It was agreed that one might be sited in the Church car park – after discussion with the Parochial Church Council.

Action Chairman

#### 4 Questions from the public

The progress on the installation of fibre broadband was raised. It was reported that Complete Utilities were awaiting permissions to complete the laying of the cables from the Duntisbournes. In the meantime an alternative cable had been laid from Ewen from Cirencester Park. The power has also been connected to the cabinet

Concern over the obstruction on bridle way up Grove Lane :- Chairman to raise the issue again with Highways.

The Clerk reported that the overhanging branches along the bridle way adjoining Daglingworth Grove have now been pruned but that there are still a number of twiggy branches that may deter walkers and riders, The Duchy have been informed with a request that the bridle way is tidied up. The Clerk has thanked the Duchy for their work.

It was agreed to put a piece in Paris Connections encouraging walkers to establish the original footpath course.

Action Clerk

## PLANNING

### 5 Planning applications and decisions since last meeting.

Ref. No: 16/04732/FUL Change of use of land from agriculture to domestic curtilage to extend garden  
Land At Overton House Itlay Daglingworth - application refused

#### Trees

Ref. No: 17/00819/TCONR Conifer tree to be removed completely High Gables Daglingworth  
Agreed

Ref. No: 17/00769/TCONR Selectively thin Beech trees Church Of The Holy Rood Church Road  
Daglingworth Agreed

Ref. No: 17/00513/TCONR Smooth Arizona Cypress (1) - Fell The Old Rectory Church Road  
Daglingworth Agreed 2017 | Status: Decided

## CORRESPONDENCE AND GENERAL BUSINESS

### 6 Cotswold clean up and Village Clean up

Cotswold clean up - to be completed by 15<sup>th</sup> April

Village clean up 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> April – posters displayed on noticeboards. Meet up at Village  
Hall 10.30 – equipment provided – Bar 12 -2

### 7 Commemoration of the end of The First World War

Ask Parochial Church Council if they wish to participate. Etta Howard offered to  
mention it at the PCC AGM meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> April in the Church

### 8 CDC Focussed Changes Amendment to Local Plan

The aspect pertaining to Daglingworth was that margins alongside streams should be  
introduced in case of flooding. This relates to new developments. See full response  
attached to these minutes.

### 9 Discussion of possible sale of the strip of and between the beech trees in the Church's new graveyard and Chantry House. See notes concerning proposal attached to these minutes.

Councillors had no objections to this development. It was understood that the PCC  
wished the land remains as a designated footpath. Councillors agreed with this position

## FINANCE

10 To agree invoices and payments for the past two months

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### Expenditure

### Income

Joe Whitaker - stream cleaning	£114
Clerk - book of stamps	£3.84
Sonia Pritchard – Smart Hosting	£32.87
Duchy – Townsend Orchard rent	£183.20
Clerk's salary (adjusted for tax to date)	£151.15

Closing balance £13714.8

It was agreed to pay the Clerk's net salary at the end of March without the formal meeting as the end of the financial year is approaching.

12 To agree and sign monthly bank reconciliation.

Signed by the Chairman

13 Items for the next Agenda.

Parish AGM :- County Council elections

14 To agree date of next meeting.

Village Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 7.00 pm in the Bar

Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.45

## **Review of the CDC Local Plan Focussed Changes**

The main changes that were relevant to Daglingworth included the Built National and Historic Environment (FC065), Flood Risk (FC075), Infrastructure Levy (FC079), and Renewable Energy (FC091 and FC092). It was noted that many of the suggested changes had been made by Historic England; one of note in relation to (FC065) was “Individual heritage assets, both designated and undesignated are set in a wider historic environment or landscape. It is vital that this wider resource is also conserved, enhanced and better revealed. This is of particular relevance in the District because such a high proportion of it falls with the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Although this designation refers primarily to “natural beauty”, that natural beauty is very closely tied to the historic value of the landscape. Those linkages include the landscape archaeology of the area, such as:

- field patterns and the ancient roadways;
- use of local materials for building;
- historic structures from Neolithic burial mounds to arts and crafts cottages;
- setting of settlements; and
- “natural” landscape itself which is as much a man-made construct as a natural one”.

It was also noted in the overall objectives (Climate Change and Flood Risk FC019) to “Reduce the environmental impact of development and vulnerability to the impacts of climate change by: c. Locating development away from areas identified as being at high risk from any form of flooding- or from areas where development would increase flood risk to others”.

In relation to managing flood risk a proposal was made to create riparian buffer strips. We commented specifically on this point indicating that “.....it would be helpful to include guidance on the width of these strips. However, such guidance will need to take account of the fact that some water courses pass through areas with limited adjacent land, e.g., the centre of small villages”.

There was additional clarity given to the adverse impact of proposals for generation of energy from renewable or low carbon sources – including “visual amenity, landscape character, heritage assets, water quality and flood risk”.

Possible sale of the strip of land between the beech trees in the Church's new graveyard and Chantry House.

The PCC was approached by Mr Clifton-Brown who would like to purchase the strip of land which lies between his property and the line of beech trees in the field, which is now the extension of the graveyard. The land measures approximately 25 metres by between 2 and 3.2 metres wide, and initially this request was refused. On further consideration, it is now felt desirable to reconsider that decision and before it is referred back to the PCC, it would be helpful if preliminary guidance could be obtained from the Parish Council.

The whole field, of which this strip of land forms a very small part, is now designated as an extension of the burial ground under the planning permission dated May 29th 2015. This strip is of absolutely no use to the Parish as burial ground as it is root-bound from the beech trees and has a right-of-way over it, which may or may not be extant. Advice has been received that access by pall-bearers with a coffin to this strip of land through the existing gate is not practicable, and that there would be insufficient space on this land to manoeuvre a coffin. Access along the road to the field's gate would be adequate and preferable.. The line of beech trees are in fact an overgrown hedge which contains trees which are top heavy and in poor health and advice has been obtained for their treatment for which an application for planning permission is being made.

If the strip of land is retained, there would be expenses on its upkeep and maintenance in the future. If the request for sale is granted by the PCC, it would be necessary to seek the approval of the Diocese in order for it to proceed, and any monies received we would suggest should be given to the Diocese.

Plans and photographs are attached showing the dimensions and location of the land.







