

DAGLINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Graham White

Cllrs: Liz Keen, Janet Seymour, Roger Giles (from 8.10 pm), Paul Lane

20th March 2021

Minutes for the Parish Council meeting on 11th March 2021, held by video conference at 07.30 pm

Honorary Clerk: Mrs Janet Seymour Tel: 658634

MINUTES

- 1 No apologies. District Councillor Julia Judd attended, with five members of the public.
- 2 Chair thanked Cllr Keen for hosting the meeting.
- 3 There were no Declarations of Interest.
- 4 Minutes of the meeting on 13th January 2021 were agreed and the following Matters arising:
 - 4.1 Parish Clerk Vacancy: Chair reported no applications from the advert in Parish Connections so Chair will arrange another in the next couple of months. Cllr Judd offered to mention the vacancy to other Parish Clerks in case one might consider doing two roles. Councillors expressed their appreciation.
 - 4.2 Flooding: James Meredith summarised discussions at the recent Flood Meeting held by video. In summary the meeting thought that the scheme for a retention pond did not provide a satisfactory cost/benefit ratio. The alternative seems to be further dredging/ clearance of the stream but environmental and ownership considerations might be problematic. Chair said the Parish Council would continue to encourage riparian owners to carry out works each year and would await the Minutes of the Meeting (since received). Cllr Keen said that FWAG (Joanna Leigh) may be able to obtain some funds from the National Flood Management Scheme and the field near the Village Hall may have become too compacted over time. Cllr Keen will keep abreast of progress with land owners.
 - 4.3 HGV signs at Quarry roundabout: This had been covered at the site meeting with Daniel Tiffney, Dep. Area Manager, GCC on 3rd March. Daniel is conducting an audit of existing signs, of which there are many. Cllr Seymour felt that a signs should be erected before the slip roads on the A417 to try and stop HGVs coming off the dual carriageway. Chair will ask Daniel to consider.
 - 4.4 White Lines at Church Road corner: Daniel seemed to think this would be in order and he will put the work down for a job number when dealing with the SLOW signs at the horse crossing point (see later).
- 5 Contribution to Village Hall Boiler: At the last meeting it was suggested that the Village Hall Committee would not require the Parish Council's contribution of £500 because the Committee had received a Government contribution. However it was now understood that this was towards running costs in the light of Covid restrictions on openings. The Committee had received the boiler contribution from Cotswold DC which was subject to local contributions from the Parish. It was therefore agreed that the £500 should be paid. Cllr Keen will seek bank details. In the light of this it was thought that another contribution, to the Film Society should await further information once the Society had sought other benefactors, possibly in the new financial year.
- 6 Roads and Drains Meeting with GCC 3rd March:
 - 6.1 Silt trap at Bridge Cottage: GCC acknowledged this should have been cleared already and the Dep. Area Highways Manager will expedite this work.

6.2 The drain outside Old Forge Cottage was inspected with the house owner and it was agreed that GCC would carry out repairs.

6.3 The problem with surface water run-off alongside Little Garth was discussed with the owner and GCC will carry out roadway remedial works between the highway edge and the property.

6.4 Drains in Lower End: Daniel will have these drains put onto the regular programme.

6.5 The existing SLOW sign at Manor Farm crossing point would be repainted and a new one would be provided immediately before the corner and the field entrance.

7 Truck Stop Planning Application: this provoked some debate but the Parish Council has submitted its objections. Cllr Judd gave the Meeting the benefit of her knowledge of planning matters and in particular the overarching importance of Planning Policy considerations when the LPA is considering applications. It would probably be some time before the matter comes to Committee and in the meantime various strategies were being considered.

8 Offer of Picnic Table for Millennium Field: Cllr Keen has been offered a picnic table with bench. Cllr Seymour was concerned that a litter bin could not be provided alongside the table as it would not be in the highway for emptying by the Council and there could be grass cutting problems. Chair agreed that litter could be a problem as could misuse by some members of the public. Cllr Lane also agreed that this would not be an acceptable use on the field. Cllr Keen will thank the resident for the offer and a member of the public suggested the Village Hall instead. Cllr Keen will ask a Committee member.

9 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no issues raised, apart from the matters referred to above.

10 PLANNING:

10.1 Summerhouse at The Old Stores: no objection

10.2 Internal Alterations at Hope Cottage: no objection

10.3 Proposed Extensions 3 Manor Farm Cottage: Chair to submit letter of support

11 CORRESPONDENCE AND GENERAL BUSINESS:

11.1 Chair confirmed the 20 year Lease of Townsends Orchard (Millennium Green) from The Duchy has now been completed.

11.2 Annual Parish Meeting: suggested for 17th May at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. Cllr Keen to book when dealing with the new boiler contribution.

12 FINANCE:

12.1 As the meeting was being held virtually, Cllr Seymour had circulated by email details of receipts and payments, which were agreed.

12.2 The bank reconciliation had also been circulated and agreed. The closing balance is £20,841.97.

13 Date for next meeting was agreed: 17th May 2021 at 7.30 pm after Annual Parish Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm