

Meeting of Dodderhill Parish Council on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

**1. PRESENT**

Councillors: S. Austin (Chairman), M. Jones (Vice Chair), P. Povey.  
Mesdames: J. Harrigan, A. Judge, A. Keane, A. Brown, J. Campbell.  
District Councillor H. Hamilton, County Councillor Broomfield.

**2. APOLOGIES.**

Councillor Mrs. Cooke.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

1. Residents were not impressed with the response from Highways England regarding levels of pollution and promised acoustic fencing.  
A Meeting to be arranged in February with Highways England.
2. A noise monitor had appeared on land at Jasmine Gardens, enquiries to be made.
3. Further enquiries to be made regarding use of land adjacent to M5.

**4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.**

**5. MINUTES.**

1. Amendment – Page 1397 Minute (10).  
County Councillor Broomfield had approved £400.00 towards the cost of a defibrillator from his members' fund, the grant to be paid via the Parish Council.
2. Following the Amendment the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.
3. It was agreed that in future the Agenda for the forthcoming Meeting would be posted on the Parish Notice Board and on the website together with the signed Minutes of the previous Meeting. Minutes would no longer be released to public in draft form.

**6. NO POLICE REPORT.**

**7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

1. Walkmill Nurseries, Walkmill Drive – Variation of condition 4 of planning permission to omit shrub/hedges to side boundaries of rear garden of approved properties.  
Decision at the discretion of the planners.
2. Stagnant Pool – Wychbold Hall Site – The pool was cause for concern. District Councillor to report to Wychavon.
3. The footpath link to School Road required attention. Housing Association to be informed.
4. Retention Pool – Jasmine Gardens – The unfenced retention pool at Jasmine Gardens was a potential health and safety hazard.  
Letters to be sent to developers.

**8. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT.**

Enforcement questionnaire expected soon.

**9. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT.**

Pelican crossing to be operating shortly.

**10. PROJECTS.**

1. Youth Club.  
Nothing to report.
2. Fiona's Orchard.  
Memorial bench ordered, to be installed when weather permits.

3. Amenities – 106 Funding Proposals.  
Planning Consultants. Arrangements made to meet landscape consultants.
4. Junior Parish Council.  
No further information available. Defer until March Agenda.
5. Smart Motorway Proposals/Acoustic Fencing.  
Guidance was required on appropriate acoustic fencing.  
It was suggested by Councillor Lady Judge and supported by Councillor Mrs. Keane to obtain the service of an acoustic engineer. Postponed to next meeting to await outcome of Councillor Lady Judge's visit to acoustic fencing manufacturer.
6. H.M. Queen 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Approach the school, church and local organizations with a view to a combined celebration. Bulletin in magazine.

#### **11. MATTERS FOR ACTION.**

1. New Homes Bonus – Bench Seating – Progress. To be installed when weather permits.
2. A request was received for a special swing for disabled children. Location to be discussed, consultation on suitability.  
Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Keane, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Harrigan.  
A vote was taken – seven in favour, one against. Carried.
3. Barrier – Car Park Community Hall. Recent vandalism to the Hall and alleged drug use by youths who park their vehicles at the Hall late at night has prompted the Council to consider installing a lockable barrier, with pedestrian and wheelchair access.  
Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Keane and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Brown. All in favour.
4. Defibrillator – New Homes Bonus. Progressing.
5. CCTV Cameras. Lights to be adjusted.
6. Litter – Proposed Litter Picker. The Council to consider engaging a professional contractor to maintain the open space surrounding the Community Hall and to address litter within the village.
7. Handyman. Future to be considered.
8. MUGA Lighting. New LED lighting installed on a time switch.

#### **12. FINANCE.**

Appointment of Internal Auditor.

It was proposed by Councillor Lady Judge and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Harrigan to engage Mr. Iain Selkirk FCA as internal auditor for the year 2015/16 at a fee of £165.00.

#### **13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.**

Cheques were drawn in favour of:

Mr. Croton £60.00 (Handyman). David Miles £40.00 (Playground Inspection). £182.00 (Lengthsman). BT Payment Services Ltd £145.00 (Internet provider). Wychbold Village Hall £36.00 (Room Hire). Wychbold Village Hall £285.00 (YMCA Hire). Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Harrigan and seconded by Councillor Lady Judge.

#### **14. PARISH MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION.**

There were no parish matters for discussion.

#### **Members of the public left the Meeting.**

#### **15. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS.**

1. Recent events at the Hall has prompted the Committee to make changes to key collection prior to hiring. A coded key box to be fixed to the exterior wall at the caretaker's house.
2. All future bookings to be pre-paid, a refundable deposit to cover any damage.

3. Adult supervision where minors were involved.

This concluded the Business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.55pm.