

DODDINGTON & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21 MARCH 2016 AT BRIDGEMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRESENT

Councillor Councillors E Wilson (Chairman,, C Brewin, J Clowes, C Dovey, R Frodsham P Moore and P Taylor
R W Bason (Clerk)

Apologies were received from Councillor L Bebbington, C Dovey

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18 JANUARY 2016

15-16/44 The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January were approved as a correct record.

LOCAL PLAN

15-16/45 Councillor Clowes reported on progress of the Plan. Consultation meetings were due and it was agreed that a contribution of around £100 be made once the meetings had been held. The threat of urban sprawl and the possible coalescence of rural areas with more developed areas was perceived and it was agreed that Chalc be approached to seek to address these concerns given the inadequacy of local services and the general infrastructure. The Minerals and Waste Plan was being developed separately from the Local Plan.

HS2 CONSULTATION

15-16/46 Councillor Clowes reported that a meeting of Parishes, HS2 engineers and Cheshire East Council had been held at Hough Village Hall. It was agreed that Councillors Brewin and Moore act as local points of contact for Doddington and District.

FINANCE

15-16/47 (a) The Clerk reported on current balances – standing at £7,664.59 at 29 February 2016

(b) The following payments were approved:
Clerk's Salary (two months) £198.87
Clerk's expenses £ 12.00 (Travel)
Bridgemere School – hire of room - £50.00

BLAKENHALL VILLAGE HALL

15-16/48 The Clerk reported that an approach had been made from the Village Hall Committee regarding improvements needed to the grass verge in Mill Lane because of damage caused by attendees to events at the hall. It was agreed in principle that

a contribution be made by the Parish Council to any improvements recommended by the Highways Authority.

WHITTAKERS GREEN FARM

15-16/49 Further to Minute 35 the Clerk reported that the owner of Whittakers Green Farm had responded to a request for information by stating that he had no record of meetings with the local MP nor any letters from residents to suggest that they had been misled.

PLANNING

15-16/50 a. The council considered its responses to the following planning applications of which notification had been received from Cheshire East Council:

16/0677N – Lake View, Ley Grounds, London Road – car port to be converted to garage.

16/0293N – Hall Gates Cottage, Checkley Lane – side and rear extensions

b. The Clerk reported the results of the following applications:

15/5006N – Lea Forge Trout Farm, Back Lane – Relocation of access – refused

15/5083N – Easterley, Yew Tree Lane – extensions and alterations – approved

14/4296N – Solar Park, Hatherton Lodge Farm – appeal against refusal allowed

HIGHWAYS

15-16/51 Councillor Brewin reported on a defunct mains pipe which was liable to collapse along the verge of Bridgemere Lane and where the Highways Authority continued to look at options for improvements.

Verge marker posts had been placed along Checkley Lane, but it was considered by the Council that these had been located at inappropriate situations and it was agreed that the Highways Authority be approached to consider relocation of the posts.

Sightlines at Four Lanes End were currently obscured and it was agreed that the owners of the adjacent properties be approached with regard to cutting back the hedges.

RURAL CRIME CONFERENCE

15-16/52 Councillor Taylor reported back on his attendance of the conference at Willington Hall and after discussion about issues in this area it was agreed that the police contact be asked to hold a briefing session in Bridgemere for local residents.

..... Chairman

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