**DANEHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the public meeting preceding the Council meeting held on Thursday 20th July 2017, at Danehill School.**

Present: T. Blake (TB), C. Crouch (CC), A. Goodburn (AG), A. Pattison (AP) and D. Birchell (DB,) N. Macleod (NM) and A. Martorana (AM), E. Mills (EM) and R. Lewis (RL).

In addition there were also members of the public present.

Emma Fulham Clerk to the Council was in attendance.

The Chairperson of the Parish Council, Andrew Goodburn (AG), opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

**Public**

There was a query about the fingerposts – The Clerk reported she had located the information and had been promised it would be completed midsummer and had recently chased it up. An ultimatum would be given now as nothing has happened and the Chair would be copied in.

**If no progress was made another contractor would have to be sourced.**

There was a request for clarification over the newsletter article on the Forest. This was clarified and discussed.

The Church Lane yellow lines consultation process was outlined.

The bins had not been emptied near the shelter or social club in Danehill – The Clerk would action this with WDC.

**Report from Cllr Galley**

Not Present.

**Report from Cllr Roundell**

Not Present.

The public meeting closed at 7:50pm and the Parish Council meeting commenced.

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Absent: None

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30. To accept apologies and reason for absence.

None.

31. To receive Declarations of pecuniary and declarable Interests from members in respect of any matter on the agenda.

The Chair reminded Cllrs to declare when necessary.

32. To approve as a true record and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 29th June 2017.

**Proposed by NM seconded by RL and unanimously approved.**

33. To deal with matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 29th June2017.

The Church Lane consultation was outlined and the matter of criminality in Wealden for parking and the issues with enforcement was reported.

The tennis courts had been completed.

The grant form had been provided to the Bowls Club.

34. Correspondence List.

The list had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The following were highlighted:

Mary Benson - The hedges reported at the last meeting had been sent to ESCC for action.

South East Water consultation – a representative would be available at the September meeting.

Tony Blake was happy to attend the PAT testing – The Clerk would action.

New correspondence from Clive Poole, Chris Drewery and Aidan Beckford regarding the Ashdown Forest restrictions and planning was considered. The correspondence would be acknowledged.

35.Finance.

(i) To report on account year to date 2017/18

AP reported on the account which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The account was tracking to budget.

There were no further queries.

(ii) To accept expenditure list.

**This had been circulated totalling £2423.96 and additional payments to BT £96.41, WJ Line Painting £2760 and Calvin Barden £96 totalling £2952.41 both lists were agreed unanimously.**

36.To consider current situation with Danehill Memorial Hall and consider actions and costs required.

AP reported on recent meetings. A request for £200 for the temporary repair was outlined.

**The Council unanimously approved the £200 repair cost to be covered by DPC and continued support for the hall.**

37. To receive Highways proposals quotes for a SID if available.

NM outlined the quotes received and options available and the data from ESCC re speeding.

**After some discussion the Council agreed to apply for a license for a SID for the following locations in the first instance:**

**A275 north of School Lane**

**Beaconsfield Road opposite Nursery Cottage**

**Stone Quarry Road south bound**

**School Lane east bound**

**This was agreed unanimously.**

The Council then considered the project and costs involved.

**The Council agreed unanimously to approve up to £4000 excluding VAT and delegated the final details and the sign off of the contract to NM and AP.**

The Council also considered the options re the manning of the unit.

**The Council unanimously agreed the Council would advertise and arrange familiarisation with volunteers and would arrange the logistics in the first instance.**

NM reported the Clerk had actioned the School Lane feasibility study.

38. To consider burial ground proposals for a bench and wall quotes if available.

The Council was yet to receive enough quotes to consider so the matter of the wall was deferred.

**The Council agreed to allow memorial benches in the cemetery design and location to be confirmed by the Clerk.**

39. To consider expenditure on improving the electrical outlet at the pavilion £993.67.

This was considered and discussed.

**Further investigation was agreed to confirm the need and urgency. RL would report back.**

40. To receive reports from Parish Councillors.

DB reported the defibrillator was back in its original position at Chelwood Gate Village Hall.

CC reported on the next village market surgery 10am-2pm AG agreed to do 10-11.

CC reported the exact position on cycling on the forest. No cycling was permitted except on the official bridle ways however cyclists should give way to pedestrians and horse riders.

CC asked the Clerk to confirm the September meeting location and details to the Conservators.

CC reported the emergency plan was complete and should be reviewed in 2018 and the information sheet would now go on the website. She outlined the issues with getting a list of vulnerable people but the consensus was that there was a good network of people who understood where the needs in the parish were in case of an emergency.

AG reported on the recent cluster meeting and local praise for the newsletter. He had also attended the WDALC meeting.

AM reported on possible newsletter inclusion in parish magazine distribution which may provide some saving. There were some concerns over the newsletter getting ‘lost’ within the other publication.

AP provided information on the facilities review plans. The Clerk had sent the relevant facility owners and committees and their users invites as well as adding to notice boards and the website. In the absence of the Clerk AM, AP and CC would finalise access for 9th August and refreshments etc.. AM would also continue to advertise via face book etc and liaise CC to use the advertising boards to advertise the event.

RL reported on the tennis works and possible interest to set up a local club. He also reported on recent work parties and other minor works to complete. It may be necessary to get some professional help in the future in general and the winter moss treatment was agreed for the autumn.

EM reported the school had a new head from September and had maintained 4 classes for the coming year and continued to fundraise.

EM also reported she was stepping down as a Cllr – The Clerk explained the process to advertise the position etc..

NM reported the website data regarding speeding in the Parish was available on the website.

41. To consider Planning Applications if applicable.

**Application No. WD/2017/1493/F**

Location: ST RICHARDS, LEWES ROAD, DANEHILL, RH17 7HD

Description: SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO FRONT AND SINGLE STOREY

EXTENSION TO END TO TWO STOREY DWELLING.

**The Parish Council supports the application subject to neighbour’s approval.**

**Application No. WD/2017/1424/F**

Location: DAMSON COTTAGE, HORSTED LANE, DANEHILL, RH17 7HP

Description: REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING GARDEN ROOM WITH THE ERECTION

OF AN OAK FRAMED GARDEN ROOM.

**The Parish Council supports the application.**

**Application No. WD/2017/1477/F**

Location: DEACONS COTTAGE, BEACONSFIELD ROAD, CHELWOOD GATE,

RH17 7LG

Description: NEW 2 STOREY SIDE EXTENSION.

**The Parish Council supports the application subject to neighbour’s approval.**

**Application No. WD/2017/1446/F**

Location: BIRCH GROVE HOUSE ESTATE, HORSTED KEYNES ROAD,

CHELWOOD GATE, RH17 7DG

Description: REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING TIMBER POST ENTRANCE GATES WITH

SOLID TIMBER ENTRANCE GATES AND STONE WALL AND PIERS TO

EACH SIDE, AND TAR AND CHIP DRIVEWAY OFF LEWES ROAD.

**The Parish Council supports the application subject to neighbour’s approval.**

**Application No. WD/2017/1422/F**

Location: CHERRY TREE COTTAGE, TANYARD LANE, DANEHILL, RH17 7JP

Description: PROPOSED SIDE AND REAR EXTENSION AND LOFT CONVERSION

TO INCLUDE DORMER WINDOWS

**The Parish Council supports the application.**

Date of next meeting 28th September 2017 Chelwood Gate Village Hall.

**Meeting closed at 10:05pm**