

Minutes of meeting held on 13th October 2004

DEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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in the Assembly Rooms

Present: In the Chair Mrs. V. Guglielmi

Councillors D. Bradbrook, R. Cannon, A. Drummond,
R. Laverick, P. Moorhouse, J. Osborn.

Parish Clerk Mrs. J. Flewin

Electors

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from Cllrs. Clover, Mrs. West, and Ward Cllr. Garnett.
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING having been circulated were approved and signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING
 - (a) Parish Council Website Cllr. Laverick was progressing the formation of the Parish Council website and suggested the Parish Council should proceed with developing their own website. This will involve a cost of about £1 per week. As an interim measure Cllr. Laverick proposed purchasing a domain name and using his own webspace for hosting. This was unanimously agreed. He reminded members that it had been agreed a picture and brief resume of each councillor would be carried on the website and asked that this be provided as soon as possible.
 - (b) Tree Warden Cllr. Drummond had heard nothing more from the person originally interested in this post but was happy to report that Mr. Andrew Carter of 38 Forge Street was willing to become Tree Warden with immediate effect. Cllr. Drummond would provide a job description and liaise with Mr. Carter regarding trees in the parish. It was agreed that a tree in Stratford Road in need of attention would be reported to Mr. Kit Green

whose land it was on.

(c) Skateboarding Cllr. Drummond was continuing to look into the initial possibilities of a site for a skateboarding area.

(d) Village Pump The estimate for repairing the village pump using oak was £710 and it was agreed that Mr. Sycamore be asked to carry out the work.

(e) Verge Hazards Borough had looked at the obstructions on the verges in East Lane and agreed that they were a hazard. Mr. Maplestone was writing to those residents concerned with the request that they be removed

3. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Memorial Seat for Mr. Jim Eley There was no objection to the request received from Mr. Eley's daughter that the the family be allowed to erect a seat in the village in memory of her father.

- (b) Mrs. Marshall's Wall Mr. Jenkin MP wrote following an appeal from Mrs. Marshall regarding damage to her wall. The matter has been discussed with Mrs. Marshall and councillors were of the opinion that the responsibility for the vandalism lay with the vandal and not the Parish Council. This matter is still ongoing and it was difficult to see how it could be resolved if the guilty person was not identified.
- (c) Capital Grant Scheme Details of steps to be taken in order to receive the promised funding under the Council's grant scheme were provided by Beverly Davies and passed to Cllr. Osborn.
- (d) Applications for Transfer of License in respect of The Marlborough Head and The Anchor public houses have been received and noted.

5.DEDHAM SURGERY Cllr. Osborn reported that the dental surgery was no longer to be part of the project and it was hoped that a new tenant would be found. However this would not hinder proceedings as the area would be used for "another purpose".

6.FOOTPATHS/PLAY AREA Cllr. Osborn said that at last the small football posts were to be installed on the playing field. There had been a further act of vandalism in the children's play area involving the crawling tube. This had been rectified. It was agreed that the Mr. Trimmit be approached for the annual hedge cutting along the Brook Street side of the playing fields. As a result of contacting Tendring, the Chairman had approached a firm called Playquip who had looked at the roundabout and submitted a quote. Cllr. Osborn would check and compare the various quotes received and following a proposal by Cllr. Cannon, seconded by Cllr. Drummond, it was unanimously agreed that a site meeting would take place within the next few days so that a decision could be made before the next meeting and work on the roundabout started as soon as possible. It was also agreed that necessary modifications to equipment in the play area be carried out.

Cllr. Laverick will attend the PP3 Course and Cllr. Cannon reported that Footpath 12 was overgrown.

7. ACCOUNTS It was proposed by Cllr. Bradbrook, seconded by Cllr. Osborn, with all in favour that the following accounts be paid:

	£
Mr. A. Hodson - Hours worked in September/petrol	116.05
Mr. R. Laverick - Purchase of Printer/Copier/Cartridges	141.34
Duchy Barn Hire	40.00
Dedham Sports Club - Grass cutting half-year payment	826.60
Playsafe Construction - Maintenance/repairs to play area	119.26



8. PLANNING The Planning sub-committee has dealt with the following applications:

COL/04/1656 Hill Farm, Long Road East, Dedham.

Erection of slimline 15m. pole with single ground base cabinet.

COMMENT: Recommend refusal. In area of ONB.

COL/04/1749 Shell Birchwood, A12 Southbound, Dedham.

Installation of ATM cash machine externally housed in pre-fabricated steel.

COMMENT: No objection.

COL/04/1772 Rookery Farm, Coles Oak Lane, Dedham.

Proposed menage.

COMMENT: No objection, but existing hedge to be retained and maintained.

The following applications have been **approved** by CBC.

LB/COL/04 12 Coopers Lane, Dedham.
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Proposed demolition of chimney.

COL/04/1352 51 Dedham Meade, Dedham.

Front extension to integral garage.

COL/04/1334 3 Victoria Cottages, Long Road West, Dedham.

2-storey side and rear extension.

COL/04/1410 2 Victoria Cottages, Long Road West, Dedham.

raised several times before with CBC. The request for a Disabled Parking Bay had been noted by CBC but as yet there was no response. There was a complaint that parking on the grass verge in Crown Street made it difficult to pass with a wheelchair and the resident concerned would be asked not to park there. The tree warden would be asked to look at the Rowan trees in Parson's Field (by 33, 35 and 37) which a resident felt were being vandalised by school children and if necessary the Chairman of Governors, David Druitt, be asked to raise the matter at school.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS Cllr. Osborn had attended the Sports Club meeting when **vandalism on the tennis courts** was reported. A request for a “**Church View**” sign to indicate the presence of these particular houses along Long Road West would be forwarded to CBC. The “**Crown Street**” roadsign also needed to be replaced. The Parish **notice board at the bottom of Forge Street** had been “torched”. A **poppy wreath** will be laid at the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday.

12. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 10th November, 2004, at 7.30 p.m. in the Assembly Rooms.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.

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