Dedham Parish Council

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Present: In the Chair: Cllr. R. Laverick

Councillors: R. Appleby, Mrs. A. Cannon, R. Cannon, A. Stock,

S. White

PCSO M. Hibben

Parish Clerk: Mrs. J. Flewin

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1. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> received from Cllrs.Dempsey and Hindley.

2. <u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u> having been previously circulated were approved.

3. <u>VACANCIES</u>

Councillor: As yet no one has come forward to fill this vacancy.

<u>Representative on Governing Body Dedham Primary School;</u> It was proposed by Cllr. Appleby, seconded by Cllr. Stock, with all in favour that Mrs. Katy Williamson, White Cottage, Long Road East, Dedham, be appointed to this post.

The thanks of the Parish Council for her support will be conveyed to Mrs. Williamson.

4. <u>MATTERS ARISING</u>

(a) <u>Duchy Barn Shed</u> Cllr. Cannon had met with Sue Jackson of CBC who had no problems with the proposals for the Duchy Barn Shed subject to there being no adverse comments from the Conservation

Officer. Cllr. Mrs. Cannon reported that the Parish Council had been offered funding of $\pounds 3,000$ from Essex Environment Trust towards the refurbishment and repair of the Duchy Barn Shed. If match funded by the Parish Council a further sum of $\pounds 2,000$ would be offered.

Accordingly it was resolved to enter into the deed with Essex Environmental Trust in the form before the meeting and to authorise Cllr. Ann Cannon to execute the deed on behalf of the Parish Council and to agree any minor amendments which may be necessary and to execute any supplementary deeds or documents required by the deed.

I certify that the above resolution was passed on the 8th day of June, 2011.

Signed.....

Chairman of Dedham Parish Council.

(b) <u>Parish Plan</u> Arrangements are now in hand for the launch of the Parish Plan on 25th June, 2011 in the Assembly Rooms. This has been advertised on the parish boards, in the parish magazine and local press.

(c) <u>Parish Walkabout</u> Following the parish walkabout an updated list of requirements has been prepared. This will be discussed further and responsible agencies approached.

(d) <u>Meeting – 106 Money/Planning Enforcement</u> The Clerk had attended this meeting which was informative but merely updated parishes on the procedures involved in planning enforcement and 106 money allocations. Further information on the latter will be sought.

(e) <u>Sports Pavilion</u> A meeting is to be arranged with the sports club committee. Meanwhile plans for the redecoration of the inside of the pavilion are going ahead.

Mr. Clark has supplied the metal for strengthening the doors and Cllr. Cannon has the matter in hand.

(f) <u>ECC – Call for Ideas</u> Councillors had no suggestions to make but Cllr. Stock will check comments made in the Parish Plan.

(g) <u>Other items</u> Cllr. Cannon referred to previously minuted items on the bad odours in the High Street and asked for an update on the situation. Cllr. White reported that bad smells were still being experienced and he had been in contact with Anglian Water who advised that a new dosing system had been installed at Blackbrook Nursing Home and this was being monitored. Cllr. White will follow this up and report back at the next meeting. (a) <u>Dedham Vale Society</u> A letter from the DVS invited the Parish Council as a whole to join the Society at a special membership fee. Several Councillors were already members and it was felt that close links already existed to the benefit of all.

(b) <u>Essex Library Services</u> Essex CC libraries will have new timetables from 4th July, 2011, and these will be advised shortly. Meanwhile new times for the presence of the mobile library in Dedham will be published in the parish magazine.

6. <u>REPORT OF PCSO</u> Mark Hibben reported a few minor thefts and a break-in which were being investigated. He will be holding a drop-in Beat Surgery in the Duchy Barn from10 a.m. on 24th June and 22nd July and this will be published in the parish magazine. He was concerned at the continuing high speed of traffic in Long Road East and West and has requested further monitoring in this area. He continues to visit vulnerable residents and will contact other agencies as and when necessary.

PCSO Hibben agreed to visit the site behind The Limes which was causing concern.

7. <u>FOOTPATH/PLAY AREA</u> Cllr. White is still trying to contact the landowner for permission to erect a kissing gate on Fpth.22 (Essex Way). He hoped to form a small work party to help tidy Fpth. 18 (Crown Street). Anyone willing to help from 9 a.m. on 29th June will be welcome. The footpath across the potato fields is now impassable and C.Cllr. Ann Brown will contact ECC once more.

The broken gate to the children's play area needs welding and Cllr.Mrs Ann Cannon will contact Chris Armour for advice and cost.

8. <u>ACCOUNTS</u> It was unanimously agreed that the following accounts be paid:

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Mr. A.P. Hodson	РРР	413.98
150.00	Maintenance	
Mrs. O.M. Ruff – Litter 168.00		
Clerk's Qtrly. Account – 860.81	April/June	
Mrs. D. Perry – Tubs		45.99
G.K. Argent – New seat f 75.00	For tractor (Sports Club)	

9, <u>PLANNING</u> The Planning sub-Committee has dealt with the following applications:

COL/ 0825 Maytree Bungalow, Crown Street, Dedham.

Removal of Condition 30 on App. 110173

Comment: Recommend refusal.

COL/0846 Berryfields, Coggeshall Road, Dedham.

Single and two-storey extension, erection of Cartlodge with accommodation over.

Comment: Refusal – Over-development.

COL/0692 Salmons Farm, Long Road East, Dedham.

Demolish existing dwelling and replace.

Comment: Recommend approval if conditions can be met.

COL/0847 Sun Inn (LB), High Street, Dedham.

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Internal alterations and conversion of shop to accommodation.

Comment: Recommend approval for alterations but refusal on conversion.

COL/0895 Blomfields, Long Road East, Dedham.

Single-storey side extension.

Comment: Recommend approval.

COL/0744 Bemerton House, Coggeshall Road, Dedham.

Demolish single-storey lean-to. Erect new extension with internal alterations. Demolish garage and erect new.

Comment: Recommend refusal. Over-development of site.

COL/0967 Blackmore House, The Heath, Dedham.

New window to bathroom and internal alterations.

Comment: Recommend approval.

CBC has **approved** the following applications.

COL/0624 Lower Barn Farm, Manningtree Road, Dedham.

Convert garage to playroom.

COL/0473 13 Kiln Cottages, Crown Street, Dedham.

Two-storey extension to side, single storey to rear.

COL/0511 Piper Cottage, High Street, Dedham. Conservatory.

COL/0551 Muniment House (LB), Brook Street, Dedham. Demolish garage block.

CBC has **refused** the following applications.

COL/0612 Mulberry House (LB), Gun Hill, Dedham.

Side extension.

COL/0551 Muniment House (LB), Brook Street, Dedham.

Erect annexe

Maytree site, Crown Street, Dedham Serious concerns over the development of this site were voiced to CBC some nine weeks ago with little or no response. Work has continued unabated with no regard for conditions or policies of the approval and includes additions to the plans which have not been discussed or approved by the Parish Council. It was unanimously agreed that C.Cllr. Ann Brown should seek the support of Borough Cllr. Tim Sutton in requesting a stop order on this site. The Chairman read a proposed press release to the meeting and all present agreed that this should be sent to the Essex County Standard for publication. Cllr. Cannon will contact Ward Cllr. Garnett to keep him in the loop.

Proposal for development – site off Manningtree Road Cllr. Cannon tabled an outline plan for 13 properties on Hallfields Farm Site. This has caused a great deal of interest in the village particularly amongst those looking to downsize.

10. <u>REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR</u> None. It is pleasing to report that Cllr. Garnett is improving and has now been transferred to Colchester Hospital for continuing treatment.

11. <u>PUBLIC REPRESENTATION</u> Cllr. Cannon felt that this item should appear earlier on the agenda in order that the public might "have their say" and then leave if they wished. Members approved of this suggestion and it was agreed that this should be tried for four months. It was also agreed that the item should be headed "Have Your Say" and appear as item 4.

There appears to be a continuing problem with the opening and closing of the public toilets on the sports field and the opening hours notice is no longer in place (except on the disabled toilets for which a key is needed). Cllr. Ann Cannon will contact CBC once more. The trees on the verge in Crown Street are in need of attention with low branches causing a hazard to pedestrians. This will be reported to CBC. A request that unsightly debris from strimming be cleared from the footpath on the playing field will be passed to Andrew Hodson.

12. <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u> Cllr. Laverick reported that it is hoped the bus stop in Crown Street will be situated outside Holly Tree House and that ECC will carry out the work in the near future.

13. <u>DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next meeting will be held on

Wednesday, 13th July, 2011, at 7.30 p.m. in The Assembly Rooms.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

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