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MINUTES of the Meeting of Dullingham Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th March 2018 at 7.15pm at Taylor Hall, Dullingham

PRESENT: Cllr Keith Owen (Chairman) (KO)
Cllr Cary Simpson (Vice Chair) (CS)
Cllr Gail Parkins (GP)

In attendance: Mrs L Morgan (LM)

PUBLIC FORUM None Present

060318/1 APOLOGIES
Cllr Robert Algar (RA)
Cllr Sarah Mardon (SM)
Cllr Richard Morley (RM)
Cllr Mark Roberston (MR)

060318/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None

060318/3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 1st February 2018 were signed as a true record of the meeting.

Cllr KO would like to mention the sad news of the passing of Bill Simmonds, who was a past chairman for the parish council. Bill was a faith servant of the parish and our thoughts are with his wife Jo and the rest of his family at this sad time. LM will arrange flowers to the value of £30 to be delivered along with a card. The funeral will take place on Friday 23rd March 12noon at the Church. PC would like to state that no one can avoid paying the car park charges but on this occasion and in honour of our former Parish Chairman, the Cllrs will pay the bill.

Cllr KO would like to mention that he cancelled the meeting scheduled for 1st March due to the worsening weather conditions, with the safety of all due to attend the meeting.

060318/4 MATTERS ARISING :

1. To Discuss an update on Grass Cutting
Cllr RM was unable to attend the meeting but did inform us that Has spoken with Les Fields, asking for his advice on maintaining the grass areas. He has suggested the sports field and green are scarified this spring to remove thatch. Also feels Green is cut at same time as sports field. This keeps on top of the job as opposed to catching up at times. Also he suggests ditch at rear of play area is strimmed when required along with Pavilion and Beacon bank at Sports field. This, according to Mr Fields would be additional but minimal cost over last year as he already has the equipment there. Cllr RM has asked Les to quote for same as last year's cuts and also to quote for additional work. Cllr RM has also arranged to meet Adrian Lee, to discuss our needs and to quote.

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2. To discuss an update on Street Lighting
Deferred to the next meeting due to Cllr MR being unable to attend. Cllr KO referred to the minutes from 1st February 2018, where it is stated within the Street light report. Cllr KO suggested getting a work party together to help remove it.
 3. To discuss the Defibrillator, casing, instalment, training and funding ideas.
LM to email BHF to ask which cabinet is best for the Defibrillator they have supplied us.
 4. Newsletter
The aim is to move the Parish Newsletter to the Dullingham Parish Council website. With the aid of putting posts on Facebook with links to the Parish Website. PC would like to improve communication within the village with having up to date information readily available without delay of waiting for the Paper version to be distributed.

010318/5 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Nothing to report at present

010318/6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

DECISIONS

1. 17/02202/VAR : **APPROVAL**. Variation of condition 1 (Approved plans) of previously approved 17/01314/FUL for Proposed new dwelling with detached garage and associated driveway. 59A Brinkley Road, Dullingham, CB8 9UW
2. 18/00043/FUL : **APPROVAL**. Replacement extensions to front and rear, 75 Stetchworth Road, Dullingham, CB8 9UJ
3. 18/00040/FUL : **APPROVAL**. Erection of 2 Storey rear and side extension. Amend existing roof pitch and add dormers and rooflights. 9 Eagle Lane, Dullingham, CB8 9UZ

010318/7 CORRESPONDENCE

LM informs the PC that William Thurston Funfair have been in touch to book the Village Green for 1st & 2nd June 2018. LM will send out an invoice and request Insurance Policies.

CiLCA training – PC have approved payment of £267.61 for LM to attend training.

010318/8 PLAYAREA

Cllr CS has suggested PC purchasing 2 return springs for the gates in the Play area. Following on from the concerns the gates are being left open. LM to contact Lars (manufactures of the Play Equipment) to ask for advice on staining products.

Cllr RM completed a check on play area equipment and found all items in good condition. Both gates closed on arrival. Emptied both Bins. Sports field, very sticky, wet areas, as expected. 1 x goal net hanging, damaged. Cllr RM found pavilion roof has approx 20 tiles missing, looks like wind damage but would suggest this is attended too ASAP.

010318/9 ENVIRONMENT AND FOOTPATHS

Cllr KO has some concerns over some of the footpaths, he will contact Cllr SM to investigate.

060318/10 ASSETS

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060318/11 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 011.1 Bank Reconciliation for signature
Currently 1 month behind on receiving paper Statements.
- 011.2 **Payments – To approve payments**
 - L Morgan – SO – Wages £ 285.60
 - L Morgan – Wages Ch No 1026 £36.00
 - L Morgan – Wages Ch no 1027 £36.00

060318/12 COUNCILLORS' FORUM

Cllr GP reported the bins by the Pond and on Eagle Lane were overflowing. Both Cllrs KO and GP reported via East Cambs website, which were cleared within 3 weeks.

Cllr GP will advertise the Defibrillator on Facebook asking if anyone would be interested in providing donations.

Cllr KO reported to the PC about an incident near the Level Crossing, with posts protruding from the building site into the middle of the road. The member of public had to swerve to miss them, resulting in knocking wing mirrors with an oncoming car. Cllr KO has advised the member of public that it is not a PC matter and referred to Highways.

Cllr KO also reported a post has snapped on the B1061 out of Dullingham to Newmarket. LM will report to Highways.

Cllr SM has requested that if anyone knows of Newcomers to the Village, to inform her so that a Welcome pack can be sent round.

Cllr KO and RA were contacted about Salt Bins for the Residents in Kettlefields. It has been suggested that if they wish to purchase one, they will have to inform Highways who will allocate a location. Highways will fill the Salt Bins with the condition that the Salt is to be used for Highways and not Pathways.

Cllr CS reports that the MVAS/MYAS Speed Sign is Still going around the village currently doing reverse directions, last report you have had. Speed watch – been contacted by local co-ordinator about starting up again, put notice out and uptake was low. So at this time will won't be but will add it to next newsletter and possible MYAS/MVAS report again to try and stimulate. White gate at South end are in need of painting and I have help to do this as soon as weather suitable. White Gate at North end has been installed. Cut and damaged banks have had several of these reported through village. Highways aware of most, possible one we need to follow up on at some point to get repaired or if required do something ourselves, see when weather improves what longer damage is. Cllr CS will report back to PC once advise has been sort with regards to Balfour Beatty.

060318/13 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING – THURSDAY 5th APRIL 2018

Street Light Report update
Finalise Budget 2018-2019
Defibrillator
Working Party for Ivy removal
Working Party for Play Area

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.32 pm

Signed: _____

Chair of the Meeting

Dated: _____