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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Duddington-With-Fineshade Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016.**

**Present:**

Mrs S Parsons (Chairman)  
Mrs S Hackett  
Mr M Gilman  
Mr R Holder  
Mrs D George  
Mrs M Scott  
Ms R Spencer-Jones

Mr Richard Reed – Clerk

Nick Stanton & Steve Carey, Curtin & Co. (Part meeting)

PCSO Northamptonshire Police (Part meeting)

There were thirteen residents present for

**2016/018 Apologies for absence**

Councillor Maunder Taylor, NCC Cllr. Heather Smith, ENC Cllr. Helen Harrison

**2016/019 Declarations of interest**

Cllr. Mrs Hackett in respect of Forest Holidays item being a resident of Fineshade.

Cllr. Mrs Scott in respect of item 14 as planning applicant for 16/00473/TCA

**2016/020 Police Matters**

This item was brought forward to enable the officer to return to duties.

The results of the recent speed data collection in Main Street resulted in a maximum speed of 35mph with an average of 23mph. Consequently there was no justification for further action although officers will continue to deploy the speed-gun when operations permit.

The officer spoke of recent incidents in the area and said that the cross-boundary initiative was operating.

**2016/021 Forest Holidays Consultation**

Nick Stanton and Steve Carey of Curtin & Co. attended to discuss the consultation process in respect of Forest Holidays' new application. The Chairman made it clear that this was not to be considered as a consultation on the application but purely how the consultation process would work. This was accepted by Mr Stanton and Mr Carey. Following a brief presentation by Curtin & Co. a number of questions and statements were made by councillors including details of organisations who should be consulted, the need to consult more extensively with Fineshade residents and visitors and the need for an Environmental Impact assessment. The Chairman then opened the meeting to the public who raised further questions and concerns, including the question of Curtin & Cos. Neutrality. Curtin & Co. to take these views back to Forest Holidays and would liaise further via the Clerk.

*Curtin & Co. representatives then left the meeting.*

**2016/022 Public Time**

Barrie Gilman spoke of the application that was being made to Natural England to designate Fineshade Wood as an SSSI and asked for the Parish Council's support for the application.

**2016/023 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 04.02.16**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016, copies of which had previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr. Mrs George and seconded Cllr. Mrs Hackett. It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of the previous meeting.

**2016/024 Matters arising**

The Clerk had reported the highway issues on the A47 to Sarah Barnwell who was getting them checked.

Chairman

Date

**2016/025 Estate Matters**

The Clerk had contacted Adam Farnsworth over the Jackson Educational Charity and changes had been made to the bank account. To date there had been nothing further from Mr Farnsworth.

**2016/026 Forest Holidays Update**

Cllr. Mrs Hackett spoke of recent developments at Fineshade.

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Parsons and seconded by Cllr. Gilman that the Parish Council supports the application for an SSSI for Fineshade Wood. **Action: Clerk**

**2016/027 Playground 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase**

As Cllr. Maunder Taylor was not in attendance this item was deferred to the next meeting.

It was noted that the conifers had been removed.

**2016/028 Village Plan/Village Design Statement**

The final version of the Village Design Statement had been circulated to Members and is to be submitted to ENC as a holding document prior to the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. **Action: Clerk**

A separate meeting of councillors is to be convened to discuss the development of the Neighbourhood Plan. This was agreed to be Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016 at 7:30pm.

**2016/029 Transparency Code**

It was agreed to post an online version of the contacts list on the website. **Action: Clerk**

**2016/030 Correspondence**

There were no items of correspondence for Members to consider.

**2016/031 Planning issues**

- a) 16/00410/TCA: No objections.  
16/00411/TCA: There were concerns over the felling of the Walnut tree. Cllr. Holder is to speak to Tamsin Miles the next day. **Action: RH**  
16/00473/TCA: No objections
- b) No applications had been considered since the last meeting.
- c) It was noted that the Collyweston Quarry application for an extension of time was going to the Planning Committee.

**2016/032 Finance**

- (i) The Clerk presented the current statement of the accounts and the budget monitoring report. Since the last meeting, £0.24 had been received as interest on the Business Account.
- (ii) The following invoices were presented and Cllr. Mrs George proposed that payment be made and this was seconded by Cllr. Holder:  
ENC Contested Election Charges £1310.12 Cheque No.100805  
E.ON Street light maintenance £8.21 Cheque No. 100806  
Cheque 100807 cancelled.  
E.ON Street light energy £20.51 Cheque No. 100808  
NCALC Subscription £194.53 Cheque No. 100809  
Thompson Tree Northants Ltd. £900.00 Cheque No.100810
- (iii) The Clerk presented the Annual Governance Statement for the Annual Audit Return. Cllr. Mrs Hackett proposed that this be approved, seconded by Cllr. Gilman.

**2016/033 Items requiring urgent attention, for information or for the next agenda**

It was agreed to arrange for the usual three skips for the late spring Bank Holiday. Cllr. Mrs Parsons will contact Bullimores to see if they can provide them. **Action: SP**

The trees and bushes on the A47 require cutting back again for visibility from the Stamford Road junction. The Clerk is to see if this can be included with the Community Enhancement Gang's programme. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. Gilman is to look into the procedure for acquiring the telephone kiosk. **Action: MG**

**2016/034 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2016. This will be the Annual Parish Meeting followed by the AGM

There being no further urgent business the meeting closed at 9:30 pm.