

**DRAFT**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Duddington-With-Fineshade Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2015.**

**Present:**

Mrs S Parsons (Chairman)  
Mrs S Hackett  
Mr M Gilman  
Mr R Holder  
Mrs Scott  
Mrs D George  
Mr J Hurst

Mr Richard Reed – Clerk

PC Paul Mitchinson & PCSO Nadia Norman

There were no residents present.

**2015/066 Apologies for absence**

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

**2015/067 Declarations of interest**

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

**2015/068 Public Time**

No residents were present.

**2015/069 Police Matters**

The officers present said that there had been no reported crime. Their main concerns involved speeding. Cllr. Mrs Hackett spoke of the nuisance caused by the riding of quad bikes around Fineshade.

The Clerk presented the letter from Adam Simmonds, P & CC.

Budget issues were discussed and the possible future developments to reduce costs.

Cllr. Mrs Parsons thanked the officers for attending the meeting.

**2015/070 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 01.10.15**

The minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015, copies of which had previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr. Mrs Hackett and seconded Cllr. Mrs Scott. It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of the previous meeting.

**2015/071 Matters arising**

The Clerk had heard from Sarah Barnwell of Northamptonshire Highways about the provision of rumble strips on the slip road at the Royal Oak. It was felt that there was insufficient room for these but Sarah would see if the road markings and signage could be improved. She would also arrange for a playground sign to be provided on Stamford Road. Owing to budget issues, these items would be dealt with in 2016/17.

Issues over the alterations to a grave surround appeared to have now been resolved.

**2015/072 Estate Matters**

There were no issues to report.

**2015/073 Forest Holidays Update**

Cllr. Mrs Hackett spoke of recent traffic counts being undertaken even though the season had passed. Further appeal action by Forest Holidays on other authorities was noted.

**2015/074 Playground 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase**

As Cllr. Maunder Taylor was not present it was agreed to carry the items regarding the conifer trees and the ongoing costs of the playground to the next meeting. **Action: Clerk**

**2015/075 Village Plan/Village Design Statement**

Cllr. Mrs Hackett had been carrying out a lot of research and reported on her findings. It was agreed to update the Village Design Statement as soon as possible and the Clerk was asked to recirculate the existing document. **Action: SP/SH/Clerk**

**2015/076 Correspondence**

Items of correspondence that had been received since the last meeting were considered.

Chairman

Date

**2015/077 Planning issues**

- a) 15/01989/TCA: No objections.
- b) No applications had been considered since the last meeting.
- c) It was noted that ENC had refused the retrospective application for Yew Tree House.

**2015/078 Finance**

- (i) The Clerk presented the current statement of the accounts, the bank reconciliation and the budget monitoring report. The Clerk confirmed that £2,750.00 being the second half of the precept had been paid into the account.
- (ii) The following invoices were presented and Cllr. Mrs Scott proposed that payment be made and this was seconded by Cllr. Mrs George:
  - E.ON Street light energy (Retrospective 13.10.15) £20.73 Cheque No. 100793
  - Bourne Skip Hire (Retrospective 04.11.15) £630.00 Cheque No. 100794
  - Anglian Water £13.15 Cheque No. 100795
  - Duddington Village Hall hire £60.00 Cheque No. 100795
  - D Bates £70.00 Cheque No. 100796
- (iii) 2016/17 Budget & Precept: The Clerk presented the draft budget for 2016/17 which had previously been circulated. Details of costs and grant were awaited from Cllr. Maunder Taylor for the playground works but it was agreed to retain the precept at £5,500.00. This was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Parsons and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Scott.
- (iv) Bank Mandate: Cllrs Holder and Hurst still had to arrange for ID checking at the bank.  
**Action: RH/JH**
- (v) There was no other financial business.

**2015/079 Items requiring urgent attention, for information or for the next agenda**

As recorded in 2015/074, the playground items would be carried over to the next meeting.

**Action: Clerk**

It was reported that blasting at the quarry had taken place on a number of occasions, sometimes twice a day. Bullimores to be asked to give prior notification. **Action: SP**

**2015/080 Date of next meeting**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016

There being no further urgent business the meeting closed at 9:05 pm.