



GREAT DENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Great Denham Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 8th January 2018 in Great Denham Community Hall, 86-88 Saxon Way, Great Denham, MK40 4GP

Present: Parish Councillors

Jim Weir (JW) - Chair; Steve Gallagher (SG); Martin Stuart (MS), Parbinder Kaur (PK)

Borough Councillor

Mark Smith (MWS)

Parish Clerk

Anna O'Meara (AOM)

9 Members of Public
were present

		Action
	The meeting was adjourned for public questions as follows: <u>State of Pavement/footpath from Broadmead to Sainsburys</u> The surface of this is in a very poor state and has been for some time; when will this be addressed? Action: Clerk to chase with DWH <u>Can a Buoyancy aid be provided for the balancing ponds in the Country Park;</u> due to recent rainfall they are now very full and the sides are very steep which presents a danger. JW explained that we have asked for this on previous occasions but each time the Borough Council has expressed a view that it is not necessary. Action: MWS to raise this again with the Borough. <u>The last Orange Bin collection (5th January) resulted in a large amount of litter flying around the development as the bins were emptied by BBC.</u> JW has also reported increased rubbish on the development to the developer. Action: Clerk to report to BBC Waste Services for greater care and attention, especially at times of high winds. <u>What sight does Parish Council get of changes made to plans?</u> A resident on Anglia Way reported that the plans he saw before purchasing his property indicated a tree would be located outside his house, but he is unhappy that this has now been replaced by a parking bay. JW responded that plans are sent to Parish Council for comment but no changes of this nature had been advised. There were no further questions and the meeting was reopened.	Clerk MWS Clerk
1.	<u>Apologies</u> - Apologies were received from Donna Parsons for this meeting. Resolved: The apologies were accepted.	
2.	<u>Declarations of interest</u> JW declared a non-pecuniary interest as a trustee of Great Denham Community Hall (GDCH) and a governor of Great Denham Primary School. MS declared a non-pecuniary interest as a trustee of the GDCH. SG declared a non-pecuniary interest as a trustee of the GDCH	
3.	<u>Minutes of the last meeting -</u> Resolved: The minutes were agreed as an accurate record and signed by MS as Chair of that meeting.	
4.	<u>Budget 2018/19</u> Resolved: proposed budget for 18/19 was agreed.	

	(iv) 17/03504/FUL – single storey extension to replace existing conservatory, Calstock House, Old Oaks Drive, Biddenham (v) 17/03422/M73 – Major S73 variation of condition application (removal of condition 11 on 16/00943/MAR as superseded by re-plan 17/01426/MAR) Resolved: Clerk to respond on all Planning applications with no objections.	Clerk
(b)	<u>CCTV – update from meeting with ACE Security 18/12/2017</u> JW reported on meeting held with ACE to discuss operation of CCTV cameras in Great Denham and how data relay failures which happen outside Great Denham can affect our service. As a result the Parish Council will explore hosting the recording facility within the Community Hall in order to reduce this; this system is currently used by Wixams Parish Council, and Councillors will meet with Wixams to obtain more information on how this is operating. As there will be costs associated with this change if made, a full scoping on costs will be prepared before decision.	
8.	<u>Consultations – for information and comment</u> 5 consultations have been received with opportunity for comment. Briefing notes on each are attached with these minutes. (a) • Wootton Academy Trust – proposal for entry at years 7 and 9 – no comments, supported (b) • St James Primary School – revised admission policy 2019-20 – no comments, supported (c) • Public Spaces Protection Order – proposal to remove early payment option(discount) for Fixed Penalty Notices – no comments, supported (d) • Beds Fire Service – proposal to raise council tax element by 1.99% - no comments, supported (e) • Council Tax Reduction for under 25s recently in Care – no comments, supported. Resolved: Clerk to respond on behalf of Parish Council accordingly. It was also noted that these are public consultations and members of the public can respond individually if they so wish.	Clerk
9.	<u>Clerk's Report</u> (a) <u>Finance Report & payments – signature of cheques/initial invoices/approve & initial Bacs payments</u> The Finance Report had been circulated and a copy is attached to these minutes. All receipts were available for inspection Resolved: All payments were approved except for Invoice from ACE Security, pending further discussion. All Bacs payments were approved by two councillors were initialled together with the invoices. Cheque(s) 100413 and 100414 were signed by JW and MS. (b) <u>Quarterly Financial Checks</u> Resolved: Clerk confirmed that these had been completed and recorded by Councillor Parsons. (c) <u>Renewal of subscription for The Loop for 2018</u> Resolved: it was agreed to renew subscription at cost of £10	Clerk
10.	<u>Correspondence</u> All correspondence was available at the meeting and a list is attached to these minutes. Resolved: No correspondence required discussion.	
11	<u>Any other business – for exchange of information only</u> MWS reported on a current scam whereby a delivery card is posted through doors whereby the callback number raises significant charges. For all to be aware. Action: Clerk to share further info via Parish Council website There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.45pm.	Clerk