

Minutes of the Meeting held in Dalton Hall,
High Street, Upper Dean on Wednesday 8 April 2015

Present at the Meeting

Councillors: Cllr D Brummell, Cllr J Gamblen, Cllr S Morrow, Cllr C Riggs,
Cllr K Wells

In Attendance: Mr R Grasmeder (Clerk)

Requests for Information

There were no requests for information.

- 1) **Election of Chair:-** Due to Cllr Phillip's absence Cllr Gamblen was unanimously elected (proposed Cllr Riggs, seconded Cllr Wells) as Chair for the meeting.
- 2) **Apologies for Absence:** - Apologies were received from Cllr Phillips due to personal reasons and Cllr Neale due to holiday.
- 3) **Disclosures of interest by members (and employees) in items on the agenda:** - There were no declarations of interest.
- 4) **Minutes of Meeting 4 March 2015:** - With the agreement of all those present the minutes were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
- 5) **Finance:** -
 - a) Accounts for Payment:

The following accounts were approved for payment:

 - i. Dean Clerk salary and expenses 3 months to 31 March 2015 - £530.45 (*LGA1972 S.112*)
 - ii. AV & D Camp – Supply and spread gravel to car park at Dalton Hall – Invoice 35773 - £663.34(*LG(Misc.Prov.)A1976 s19, Item 4a MOM 4/3/15*)
- 6) **Planning:**
 - a) **Application 15/00379/FUL** – Single storey side/rear extension to replace conservatory – Grange Lodge, High Street, Lower Dean was discussed and **it was resolved** that the Council had no objection.
 - b) **Application 15/00454/EIA** – Development of photovoltaic panels and associated equipment – Land at Chelveston Airfield, Yelden was discussed and **it was resolved** that the Council objected on the grounds that the application represented further and unacceptable industrialisation of an essentially rural area.
- 7) **Chelveston Wind farm Community Benefit Fund:** - The Council considered a Grant Application received from Dean Sports Club regarding resurfacing of tennis courts at Dalton Hall. **It was resolved** that at this time the Council was unable to support it owing to the lack of time to consider and the fact that only two of the three quotations had been received.

- 8) **Correspondence:** - A letter received regarding the Sharnbrook Academy Federation Consultation on proposed changes to age-ranges, structures and admissions update of 27th March 2015 was noted.
- 9) **Broadband:-** Lower Dean is still on the programme for upgrade although Upper Dean is not scheduled until 2017.
- 10) **Speeding and Police Matters:-** Work on new signage has commenced.
- 11) **Highways and Drainage:-** Cllr Gamblen has tried on a number of occasions to contact Andrew Prigmore of Beds Borough but with no success. It was noted that the annual highways walk round had not happened for the last two years. The Clerk was asked to advise the Mayor of the situation.
- 12) **Parish Plan Updates:-** The Clerk was asked to place an item on the next agenda to discuss the need for a Housing Needs Survey.
- 13) **Items for information:-**
 - a) Cllr Morrow gave a report on the meeting with Alastair Burt MP.
 - b) Date for next meeting will be 13 May 2015 at Dalton Hall, Upper Dean commencing at 7.30pm.
 - c) The Chair closed the meeting at 21.00

Signed by Councillor

(Chair)

at the meeting held on 13 May 2015