

Of a meeting of Dean and Shelton Parish Council held in Dalton Hall, Upper Dean on Wednesday, 2 February 2022

Present at the Meeting:

Councillors: Cllr R Ward (Chairman), Cllr S Brett, Cllr J Gamblen, Cllr C Pattison, Cllr M Pattison, Cllr A Phillips

In Attendance: Mr R Grasmeder (Clerk)

Requests for Information

A question was raised about the possibility of installing a dog bin at the bottom of Sandye Lane.

- 1) **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr Bird.
- 2) **Disclosures of interest by members (and employees) in items on the agenda -**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 3) **Minutes of Meeting 5 January 2022** - With the agreement of all those present the minutes were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 4) **Finance:**
 - a) Future projects for the expenditure of CIL money were discussed. Items to be considered are an electric vehicle charging point; a dog bin at the junction of Sandye Lane and the High Street and a bench near the adult exercise equipment.
 - b) Updates were discussed on:
 - i. the provision of adult exercise equipment at Dalton Hall – The revised quotation from Fresh Air Fitness in the sum of £10650.10 plus vat has been received. **It was resolved** that, although an amendment was required, the Council would now move forward with Fresh Air Fitness and request that they put the grant application for the bulk of the cost in hand. It is envisaged that the amendment will add £500 plus vat to the cost. Alterations to the fencing around the play area will be required to accommodate the exercise equipment. Quotations will be sought and the cost is estimated at £500-£1000.
 - ii. the provision of additional tree planting at Dalton Hall – Awaiting delivery in March. The free tree scheme from Bedford Borough Council was noted and had been advertised on the P.C. website.
 - c) Accounts for Payment – none.
- 5) **Planning:**
 - (a) **Application 22/00091/FUL** – Demolition of outbuilding; replacement detached garage; integral garage conversion; replacement front porch canopy; alterations to dormers and roof. Removal of apple, ash & 10 Norwegian spruce trees. Replacement with native species hedgerow – The Bakery, High Street, Upper Dean was discussed and **it was resolved** that the Council had no comment.
 - (b) **Application 21/00136/TPO** – Reduce crown lifting of horse chestnut tree by 30% - 3 The Row, Upper Dean. was discussed and **it was resolved** that the Council had no comment.

- 6) **Chelveston Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund** – The revision of the procedure and criteria for the Appointment of Trustees to represent the parish of Dean and Shelton was discussed. **It was resolved** that the Council would not amend the procedure and criteria as currently drafted. Councillors will canvas residents for a candidate to fill the Trustee position that will become vacant.
- 7) **Correspondence** - None
- 8) **Rights of Way** - The setting up of a Rights of Way maintenance group was discussed. Cllr C Pattison will post an item on the Whatsapp Group to gauge interest.
- 9) **Speeding and Police Matters** – Nothing to report.
- 10) **Highways and Drainage** – Jason Holdsworth has advised that work on the alteration of the speed limit past the Three Compasses should be complete by the end of March.
- 11) **Date of Next Meeting:**
 - (a) An item will be placed on the next agenda to discuss celebrations and expenditure for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.
 - (b) Date for next meeting will be 2 March 2022. The meeting will commence at 7.30 p.m. at Dalton Hall, Upper Dean.
 - (c) The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.45.

Signed by Cllr R Ward (Chairman)

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