

GREAT DODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting of Great Doddington Parish Council held on 5 December 2018 in the Chapel Rooms, Chapel Lane, Great Doddington.

Present: C Davies (Chairman), Mr P Cunningham, Mr J Crisp, Mrs L Ross, Mr J Sharp, Mrs S Sharp and Mrs A Smith.

Apologies were received from Mr K Howes and Mr D Kelly.

Also present: Mrs C A Mundy (Clerk) and two residents.

18/61 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made.

18/62 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 7 November 2018 were received and approved as a true record.

18/63 POLICE MATTERS

The incidents on the police website were those reported at last month's meeting.

18/64 HIGHWAY ISSUES

Street lamp repairs were required as follows:

- Outside 8 Church Lane

The clerk would report this. She was also pressurising Aylesbury Lighting to arrange for the formal connection with E-On to be made asap so the Xmas tree lights could be put on.

Replacement lamps High Street

The order had been placed for these and they would be installed towards the end of January beginning of February.

18/65 PLANNING ISSUES

It was reported that there had been some issues with regard to the work taking place at 18 Glenfield Drive, particularly around conforming to the planning consent and working hours. The complainant had been advised to contact the Planning department directly regarding this.

18/66 FINANCE

The following invoices were approved for payment:

Payments			
Name	Details	Chq no.	Amount (£)
Mrs C A Mundy	Salary/Accommodation fee Sept. Oct. Nov 18	1600	819.63
Parish Magazine Printing	Village News 38	1601	362.25
Mrs C A Mundy	Salary/Accommodation fee Dec 18	1602	293.31

18/67 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Bank mandates

NatWest had now confirmed that Cllrs Cunningham and Ross had been added to the bank account.

Capital Grant Funding:

Street Lamps

The clerk had received confirmation that a one-off capital grant of £5,000 had been awarded for the upgrading of lamps. These had been ordered.

Play equipment replacement

The clerk had received confirmation that a capital grant would be offered towards the replacement of the play equipment to the value of £26,211. This would mean that match funding to the value of £17,474 would be required. This would be discussed further at the meeting in January 2019.

Overgrown branches from Church to High Street

The clerk had received a request for branches to be cut back that encroached a resident's garden. The trees being referred to were in the churchyard and were therefore in the ownership of the church. The clerk would recommend that the resident contact Reverend Buck about this.

Magna Grove

There continued to be concern about the overgrown branches along Earls Barton Road. These had previously been reported to street doctor but a chase up would be done about the concern over exiting Magna Grove.

Health and Safety

No issues were raised.

Social Media

There was nothing to report.

Grasscutting Contract

The clerk reported that two tenders had been received one from Mr M Puttnam and one from Wellingborough Norse.

It was agreed that the tender from Mr Puttnam be accepted as this was considered to be best value for money. The contract would take effect from 1 April 2019.

Farm Land to the rear of High Street

The clerk had been contacted by a representative of Hampton Brook who were in the process of developing the site. They wished to attend a future parish council meeting to discuss their proposals for the site. It had been Hampton Brook who had carried out a recent traffic survey at The Ridge.

Parish councillors would be happy for them to attend a meeting but expressed concern that any development should be in keeping with the area, should take into consideration the conservation area and traffic implications.

The clerk would invite them to attend the meeting in February 2019.

Village News

The Village News would be delivered shortly to Karin Brawn who would arrange for distribution.

18/68 Next meeting date:

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 16 January 2019 at 7.30pm.

The meeting concluded at 8.05pm.

Chairman

