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Minutes of the Dedham Parish Council meeting in the Duchy Barn on Monday 3rd December 2018

177.18. Apologies for absence.

Cllr John Millican

178.18. Declaration of Interest. Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

None

179.18. Minutes

The minutes of 5th November 2018 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

180.18. Update on items from last meeting and other updates not reported separately.

- **Sports Club Refurbishment.** Cllr Nicola Baker reported that we do not have formal approval from the Football Foundation, however Andy Bell has started the interior work.
- **Employment of Community Payback Personnel.** Asst-Clerk reported that we will be using the Community Payback staff to clean the streets. To look at using them to clear the Brook and clear road signs and cut brambles.
- **Highways Devolution.** Clerk See item
- **Parking-** Cllr Beeton reported that there has been communication with Cllr Anne Brown and her opposite number at Suffolk, between DPC and SsMPC relating to parking on Mill Lane. Meeting to exchange views on the problems and issue is being arranged.
- Several representations from MoP lack of action of signage. In particular the sign in Crown Street, which has been moved and is now sitting against the hedge. Jupes Hill sign also down (bend sign) Stratford Road as you join Gun Hill, junction sign at an angle. VAS/signage review. Tourist sign, Welcome to Dedham. Cllr Brown to action with the clerk.

181.18. Accounts

To receive accounts and agree payments **

Proposed: Cllr Baker

Agreed by all

182.18. Have Your Say.

Report from Cllr Nigel Chapman Ward Councillor.

Nothing specific to report, but will assist on other items where required.

Report from Cllr Anne Brown Essex County Councillor.

Footway from Stratford Road

Tree on the field.

State of the field, Blackbrook. ECC have responded to our request expressing concerns about the growth in the Brook. Asked them to confirm if its current state will affect their flood models.

Would the PC consider getting it cleared if the EA cannot/will not? To be discussed after the EA route has been thoroughly explored.

183.18. Correspondence

a) To receive and discuss a request for Residents Only parking bays in the High Street

Cllr Beeton reported that when we made the partnership agreement with NEPP, we looked at parking permits for businesses and residents. Those without off street parking on the High Street can obtain a permit from NEPP. To establish residents' parking bays we would have to look at the needs of all residents in the High Street without off-road parking and also, to be fair to all, to consider the needs of residents outside the village centre and those who work in the village all of whom need regular short term access to parking spaces. By installing residents parking bays we would reduce the number of accessible spaces for residents and visitors alike, which may also impact the businesses.

Lucy- Thanked the Parish Council for the opportunity to put her case and suggested that historically parking had not been too much of a problem. However, in the last 2 years it has progressively deteriorated to the extent that it is now a daily problem all the time, not just high days and holidays. Despite having a permit, the spaces are not available to be able to park. Along with other residents in the area between the Marlborough Head and Dedham Hall she is looking for support from the parish council to review parking arrangements in the High Street.

JH-How many properties do not have off road parking? About 6 in that stretch, plus others. We need to understand how many other properties in the area do not have off road parking and how many people had parking permits.

NB/CF- Questioned where responsibility lay for changing current arrangements, whether there would be dedicated bays or free for all residents to access? Also might this be a waste of parking space if bays were empty for example when people were at work whilst demand for parking for other groups would remain to be met.

Cllr Beeton thanked Lucy for putting her case to the parish council and indicated that these were complex issues which needed careful evaluation after establishing the facts. It was proposed, and agreed, that this issue be referred to DP's Parking Advisory Group for further consideration and discussion with NEPP as appropriate and report back to DPC.

b) Planned construction work on the bridge on Mill Lane is planned for the new year. Following a discussion, it was agreed to report back that i) the closure must avoid Easter. ii) ask to extend the no parking further out towards Stratford iii) ask for car park signage on the diversion route v) to ensure the bus route and weight restriction is considered.

c) To receive an 'offer' from Dedham Church to sponsor a Christmas Tree (for 2019) The Finance group will consider this as part of the budget setting process.

184.18. Planning Advisory Group. Cllr Kevin Taylor

To receive and agree recommendations on the following planning applications;-

182811 Shell Birchwood Ipswich Road, Demolition of existing sales building, de-linking of forecourt canopy and construction of new single storey sales building, additional car parking spaces and new underground storage tanks.

Recommendation: no objection

182837. Mill House, Mill Lane, Provision of lean-to's to outbuildings (Brewhouse and Stable block). These buildings are currently being modified in accordance with Planning Permission 150338 and Listed Building Consent 150339, in accordance with plans produced by Beech Architects,

Recommendation: no objection

182838. Mill House, Mill Lane, Provision of lean-to's to outbuildings (Brewhouse and Stable block). These buildings are currently being modified in accordance with Planning Permission 150338 and Listed Building Consent 150339, in accordance with plans produced by Beech Architects,

Recommendation: no objection

182849. 2 The Cottages, Monks Lane, Single storey side/ rear extensions forming new lobby, dining room and enlarged utility room. Plus a proposed garage/cartlodge sited adjacent to the existing parking area.

Recommendation: no objection

75. Little Oaks.

Recommendation: Cannot make an informed judgement due to the missing information, particularly in the AONB

182624. 4 Parsons Field. Porch

Recommendation: no objection.

Proposed: Cllr Taylor

Agreed by all.

185.18. Community Policing Schemes

To receive a report on the schemes currently in place. The asst-clerk reported on the 2 schemes. Initiative from the Crime Commissioner to increase the specials in the county. Local communities support the training of a Special, and then the ongoing cost (about £1000 per annum). They would then be linked to the village.

Rural Plan Joint Investment Plan. Cllr leader, Cllr Mark Cory has indicated that we would like investment over 2 years, including investment for civil enforcement of £1,000,000. This will be discussed at CALC.

To be discussed further after clarification at the CALC meeting.

186.18. Dogs on Leads, on the Playing Field and Duchy Field

To discuss and agree on whether Dedham PC would like to apply for PSPO, to keep dogs on leads on the Playing Field and Duchy Field.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that it is down to individuals being a responsible dog owner and at this stage we do not want to progress anything further. There will be a signage review.

187.18. Highways Devolution.

To receive a report on the proposed Highways Devolution Pilot, discuss, and to resolve to take part.

Following a report from the clerk it was agreed to **withdraw this resolution and await further information.**

188.18. AONB Project

It was resolved to donate £500 to the AONB Stour Valley Project.

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Agreed by all

189.18 Matters of Continuing reference.

- BT Manhole leakage.
- Defibrillator Electrodes replacement.
- Mobile Signal.
- Duchy Barn communications infrastructure. DBMC interested and will look at applying for a grant.

Crown Street trees overhanging. Clerk to investigate.

Date and time of next meeting. Monday 7th January 2019. 7.30pm Duchy Barn.

Wishing everyone a Happy Christmas

Closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960.

190.18. Tree's blocking flood lights.

To receive quotes and appoint a contractor. Awaiting quotes- It was agreed to use Clerks delegated power.

191.18. Recreation Ground Maintenance Contract

To receive quotes and appoint a contractor. The finance group will review and make a recommendation at the January meeting.

Emma Cansdale Clerk to Dedham Parish Council