

SUTTON BY DOVER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Of the meeting held in Studdal Church Hall on Tuesday 7 June 2016 at 7.30pm.

1. Present and apologies:

B Merriman (chair)
G Akhurst
A Calthorpe
H Densham
G Smith
KCC Member Stephen Manion

8 Members of the public

Apologies: Nick Kenton DDC

R Little

- 2. Approval of the May minutes:** The minutes were proposed as a true record of the meeting by Cllr Calthorpe seconded by Cllr Densham and all members voted in favour and they were signed by the chair.

- 3. Declarations of interest:** None.

- 4. Matters arising:** The grant for the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration had been approved. More potholes have been filled in. The Annual Parish Meeting had been a success and many thanks to Cllr Calthorpe for her hard work. There is still no sign of work beginning filling in the lagoon.

- 5. Visitors:** Dog fouling on the playing field caused some concern and it was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Akhurst that the Clerk obtain two metal dog signs up to a cost of £25, all members voted in favour. KCC Member suggest that the Council write to DDC Environmental Control. He also reminded the Council to attend an event for the Queen's 90th on June 12 at Kearsney Abbey. He also informed the council that the St James's development was moving forward.

6. To approve the payment schedule for May :

Evergreen	Grass cutting	£183.00
K Amaouche	Salary	£333.43
K Amaouche	Expenses	£20
Church Hall hire		£132.50

Approval of the above payments were proposed by Cllr Calthorpe, seconded by Cllr Akhurst and all voted in favour.

It was proposed by Cllr Calthorpe and seconded by Cllr Akhurst to note the internal auditor's report, all members voted in favour.

It was proposed by Cllr Akhurst and seconded by Cllr Calthorpe to approve section 1 and 2 of the Annual return for 2015/16 and all voted in favour.

It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Akhurst to approve the annual accounts, all voted in favour.

It was agreed that the wage increase from NALC was not applicable.

7. **Planning:**

DOV/16/00479

Canton, Downs Road, East Studdal

Erection of 3 detached dwellings

The Parish Council agreed to strongly oppose the application on the basis of over development and that it does not comply with the design statement Principal 7.

DOV/16/00590

Over hill, North Bourne Road, East Studdal

Erection of a single storey extension, roof extension and detached garage

The Parish Council agreed to support this application.

8. **To consider quotes for reflective posts**

It was agreed the quotes were expensive and proposed by Cllr Merriman and seconded by Cllr Calthorpe to allow Cllr Smith to obtain posts and reflective stickers up to the value of £30, all voted in favour.

9. **Allotments and Community Orchard:**

It was noted that all rents had been collected for the year and that there was nothing on the tenancy agreement stating that an allotment holder had to live in the Parish.

10. **Memorial Garden, Playing Field and BMX track:**

Colin Stokes intends to attend the next Tree Warden course on 25 June, It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Merriman to pay the £5 for the course plus mileage, all voted in favour.

As Cllr Little was absent it was agreed to place Apple Day on next month's agenda.

Cllr Merriman has produced a list of physical assets and it was agreed to discuss this at the September meeting.

11. **Correspondence received:**

Flood Blog information – members agreed to note.

Annual programme of planned highway maintenance – members agreed to note.

Blocking the Bridge - Members discussed the issue of highway maintenance blocking the bridge and it was agreed to write to Steve Manion and Nick Kenton regarding this.

Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations grant – this had already been discussed

Urgent road closure – Noted by members

Vegetation cutting – Members agreed to note.

12. **Any other business/matters to discuss:** Cllr Densham informed members that a quarter of the precept had already been spent and that the Council need to be careful with funds.

Cllr Akhurst thanked the internal auditor for her hard work.

Members discussed the rubble that had been dumped at Studdal Park and it was agreed that the Clerk write to KCC.

13. **Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 6 September 2016 at 7.30pm Annual Parish Meeting and Tuesday 7 June 2016 at 7.30pm June Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting closed 8.40pm