

HIGHER DENHAM COMMUNITY CIO
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Registered Charity No. 1163577

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on

Thursday 11th July 2019 at 7.30pm

In the Community Hall

Present:

Mrs Jacqui McGowan – Chair

Dr Ron James

Mrs Patricia Davidson

Mrs Jane Blyth

Mr Peter Bryant

Mrs Orlaith Senior

1. Apologies for absence

Received from Sonia Harris. Ed Nash-Steer not present

2. Public Session

No residents present.

3. Minutes of June 2019 meeting

It was agreed these were a true record and signed by the Chair, Jacqui McGowan.

3.1. Outstanding Actions from June meeting:

- **Speed zone review on '20's Plenty'** – JM looking in to why this did not proceed previously. RJ recalls signs being very expensive.

Action: JM

- **Clearing of the Misbourne:** RJ advised the real issue is lack of rainfall. The low flow of the river has facilitated the increased growth of grass/weeds which further prevents flow, part clearance is likely to help. PD to write to Tom to request assistance in part-clearance.

Action: PD

- **Poles by Brokengate Lane:** Poles that were previously removed have been put back. A more permanent / preventable solution is needed. PB contacting Fire Brigade to confirm if the preferred welded option would be agreeable, otherwise an alternative option to be put in place.

Action: PB

- **Alarm/CCTV**

This has now been put back in place permanently and is fully functional. NFA

4. Matters Arising

Contact received via the Denham Parish Council that 12 Middle Road grass verge was not cut. This was due to a vehicle preventing access at the time the verges were being cut. Les has since returned to complete this.

5. Chairman's report

- a) **Weeding of the bund.** Weeds have already started growing back. Decision on planting to be reviewed at a later date. RJ volunteered to do weeding in the interim.
Action: RJ
- b) **Behind the Mower Shed** Les reported he has recently found human toilet waste behind the shed, along with used nappies. It is unknown who is doing this. Signage to be placed at the back of the shed to prevent re-occurrence.
Action: JM
- c) **Green Belt Removal** Draft Local Plan: Public Consultation period deadline date is Friday 19th July for resident comments. Information included in the last newsletter. Signs around Higher Denham have been put up and information put on website.
- d) **Christmas Light Switch-On.** Consideration on the evening's event and if worth continuing with the volunteer efforts and low turnout. JM to put a note in the newsletter to notify residents and review response. To also be discussed with HDSC.
Action: JM
- e) **Martin Baker New Road Proposal:** Martin Baker made contact with JM to request a meeting with the Higher Denham committee to discuss new plans. JM to respond with agreed suggested dates and confirm with the committee of the next meet.
Action: JM

6. Treasurer's Report

May & June reports were sent out. Income: Open Gardens were held again in June. Key areas on expenditure: May had the purchase of the alarm system, and June the second defib was purchased, boiler and alarm service costs. Alarm costs to be reviewed /checked on expenditure.

Action: RJ

7. Hall Activity

- a. Hall hire request for firework night – confirmation of a 3.30pm finish required
- b. Request for BBQ hire - BBQ is not for hire. Ownership shared with HDSC.
- c. Outside lights – some are not working. Parts have been ordered to repair.
- d. Phone calls for HDSC come through on the Community Hall hire number- update website with HDSC direct contact details
- e. Pilates class is changing from Tuesdays to Wednesdays
- f. Neighbourhood Friend Scheme Day has been rearranged to 1st August
- g. Painting of hall is needed – JM to contact Dave Ward to arrange
- h. Use of field on Wednesday evening – advise if a group is using the field on a Wednesday evening repeatedly as they have not booked to use it. Users of the field last Wednesday evening were not known but could be members of the community.
- i. Interest in field hire for a children's group.
- j. JB is on leave for 1 week from 14th July. Voicemail to advise of absence to drive enquiries to the website instead. PB will have the phone for a number of hours each day to handle pressing matters only.

Action: JB and JM

8. New Hall Update

- RJ acknowledged receipt of correspondence from a resident (JS) last month with a list of concerns on the new hall including functionality for HDSC. RJ advised the concerns do not appear to be shared with a couple of other HDSC members however at the next HDSC meeting this will be addressed. HDSC to agree requirements within HDSC prior to further consideration.
- Alternative funding options still being explored

Action: RJ

9. AOB

- a. **Subs:** Di Gordon is continuing the annual subs collections. JM to make contact to update on progress
- b. **Bonfire Night.** PB advised the information on ticket prices for Bonfire night are to be confirmed for publication in the relevant edition of *In and Around Denham*.
- c. **Monthly Prize Draws:**

July 1st Prize £25: Manju Chaudhuri, 88a Lower Road (Ticket 110)

July 2nd Prize £10: Mr & Mrs Hodgson, 57 Middle Road (Ticket 160)

Aug 1st Prize £25: Mr Thakrah, 72 Lower Road (Ticket 18)

Aug 2nd Prize £10: Mr & Mrs Patel, 13 Middle Road (Ticket 163)

Sep 1st Prize £25: S Taank, 29 Lower Road (Ticket 114)

Sep 2nd Prize £10: L Braddick, 35 Lower Road (Ticket 27)

Meeting ended at 9.20pm