

Ditchling Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Old Meeting House, The Twitten on Tuesday 28th February 2012 at 8pm

Present R. Burman in the Chair, , Mrs B. Brittain, Mrs E.L. Pruen, Mrs Y Sen, D. Carpenter A. H. Knowles A.T. Jones, D.W. McBeth and the Clerk Mrs Mary Holman.

Apologies Mrs M. Bolton (away), Mrs C.M. Robinson (unwell).

238. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February Having been circulated, were agreed as a correct record after the original wording for Minute 231 had been deleted from " *The Chairman wrote the following report-*" and replaced with the manual addition of " *The Chairman reported that the agent presented his development ideas and the Council discussed them. We await formal application of their proposal.*" The Chairman signed the agreed Minutes.
239. Minute 212 War Memorial It was reported that it had been cleaned. The firm would look to see if the individual letters need further attention.
240. Minute 213 Condition of Folders Lane Roundabout. It was noted that this would be discussed again on 1<sup>st</sup> March.
241. Minute 215 Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, It was agreed to set up a working party consisting of The Chairman, Don McBeth and Darren Carpenter, the Scout Group and Westmeston PC, the first meeting would be held on 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15pm in the Old Meeting House.
242. Minute 217 E.S.C. C. Strengthening Local Relationships It was noted that the next meeting would be held on 1<sup>st</sup> March.
243. Minute 220 LDC Review of Car Parking Regulations in the Village Hall Car Park The revised scheme was considered and was agreed.
244. Minute 228 Village Maintenance Teams It was agreed to include the sweeping of the footway in North End, The encroaching vegetation in North End, cleaning the build outs in Lewes Road and North End and cutting back the overhanging vegetation in The Twitten.
245. Minutes 231 LW/11/1066/NP 31 East End Lane Following receipt of further legal advice, it was agreed to formally consent to the approved application under the covenants dated 12<sup>th</sup> March 1963 and 5<sup>th</sup> April 1967.
246. LW/12/0182/NP 45 High Street  
Listed Building Consent Application - Erection of a single storey side and rear extension for Mr B Nathan  
No objections.
247. LW/12/0186/NP 45 High Street  
Planning Application - Erection of a single storey side and rear extension for Mr B Nathan  
No objections.
248. Finance matters  
a) Checklist for Audit and Insurance The file with the reconciliations and reports for the month of November and December was laid in the table, having first been scrutinised by one of the financial controllers.  
  
b) Accounts for payment The accounts for payment and receipts had been circulated prior to the meeting, having first been scrutinised by one of the financial controllers. The invoices were approved for payment and the cheques signed by the Chairman and Mrs B. Brittain.  
  
c) Quarterly Statement. Details had been circulated prior to the meeting.
249. New Sussex Flag and Sussex Day Letter and Flag from Rampion of Sussex to be celebrated and displayed on 16<sup>th</sup> June which will be the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Sussex Day It was noted that this was also the Ditchling Fair Day. It was agreed to ask the Vicar if it could be flown from the Church Flagpole on that day. Meanwhile the Chairman took the flag to see if he could get it flown on a private flagpole in the Village.

250. Field Work – It was noted that the latest copy had been received and laid on the table.
251. Invitation for a representative to attend the Newcomers Party on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. It was agreed that Mrs Y Sen would represent the Council.
252. LDC Celebrating 2012 It was noted that details had been circulated on 30<sup>th</sup> January, no action was taken.
253. Scout HQ It was noted that a letter had been received from the Scout Group informing the Council that it was now insured for £345,371.
254. Drainage at the Rec. A muddy area had appeared by the touchline – internal investigations had been carried out. As the patch appeared to be on the line of the sewer, Southern Water had been asked to investigate *but* had not been very helpful. The Clerk was having a site meeting with them the next morning at 8.30am.
255. County Council Report. No report.
256. Lewes District Council. Councillor A. T. Jones gave a short report.
257. Reports by Representatives No written reports had been received.  
Village Hall Management Committee - Mrs. B. Brittain  
Ditchling Pavilion Club-Mrs C.M. Robinson.  
The Ditchling Society –R Burman  
Ditchling Village Association – Mrs C.M. Robinson  
Lewes District Association of Local Councils (two representatives) – D. Mc Beth and Mrs E. L. Pruen.

Chairman 13th March 2012