

## Ditchling Parish Council

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Old Meeting House on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 8pm.

Present B.D. Cohen in the Chair, Mrs M. Bolton, Mrs C M. Robinson, Mrs Y. Sen, B.J. Clutterbuck A. H. Knowles, D.W. McBeth and the Clerk Mrs M. Holman.

Apologies Mrs B. Brittain (personal), R. Burman (delayed), A.T. Jones (away)

150. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> August having been circulated, were taken as read, agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
151. Minute 126 Rugby Club – meeting with LDC It was noted that a formal response had not been received to date from LDC but the Chairman reported on the site meeting as follows – The Engineer sent by Andy Frost knew the ground and soil well as he had been involved with Andy with work in the Rec.in the past. He was also a practical man who had run his own grounds maintenance business. Regarding the main football pitch – it would not be practical for rugby – the run off suggested by the club was insufficient – high netting would have to be erected along the south side of the ground by the trip fence for safety – this could be removed between games but was hard work. There was a greater fall of the ground than on the Rugby Field. Rugby Field.- It was a public recreation ground on which some sport was allowed and- any work should have a minimal impact. The use of chalk was the wrong material as it would compact and not allow drainage. The pitch could be moved further south where the ground was flatter, the goal posts could be sited just below the start line for the Archery Club which would still allow the required run off to protect the footpath etc. The small indentations could have the turf lifted and infilled with a sandy mixture and the turf put back. The whole area could be slitted to the stream and back filled with sand to improve drainage. It was agreed to await further communication from LDC before making a decision.
152. Minute 134 New signs for Grounds and Burial Ground It was noted that quotation for signs had been received for the signs details of which had been circulated for information. It was agreed to have them made in aluminium which would cost £235.20 plus VAT
153. Planning applications  
LW/10/1093 Land Adjacent To Latten Bells Farm Lane  
Planning Application - Erection of a dwelling house & detached garage for Mrs E Coleman  
No objections subject to the application being contingent upon access to the public footpath abutting the western boundary being maintained at all times, ( It is not a bridleway as stated on page 7 of the Design and Access Statement ) and that the Council is satisfied that it does not come under the restriction of "Garden Grabbing" as it is within the National Park.
154. LW/10/1098 2 Beacon Road  
Planning Application - Removal of existing conservatory and erection of an orangery at rear for Ms C Forbes  
No objections.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date 28th September 2010