

Notes of the Meeting of Dean & Shelton Parish Council held on Wednesday 10 January 2018

Present at the Meeting: Cllr R Ward (Chairman), Cllr S Brett, Cllr J Gamblen, Cllr L Jones, Cllr S Morrow, Cllr C Pattison

In Attendance: Mr R Grasmeder (Clerk)

Ward Cllr M Towler

There were no requests for information

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Wells due to holiday.
2. There were no disclosures of interest.
3. With the agreement of all those present the Minutes of Meeting 6 December 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
4. The Precept for 2018/2019 was considered by the Council. It was resolved that it would be set at £4534. The precept request form was duly signed for this amount.
5. A financial statement, review of expenditure against budget and bank reconciliation to 31 December 2017 was tabled by the RFO, considered by the Council and approved.
6. A Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit was carried out, accepted by the Council and signed to that effect by the Chair and RFO.
7. A Review of Risk Management Policy was carried out, accepted by the Council and signed to that effect by the Chair and RFO.
8. The following accounts were approved for payment:
 - i. Clerk salary and expenses 3 months to 31 December 2017 - £538.33(*LGA1972 S.112*)
 - ii. R Grasmeder – Printer cable (Transparency Fund grant received) - £9.38 (*LGA1972 S.112*)
 - iii. Stodden Churches JPCC – Donation towards Honeycomb magazine - £200.00 (*Item 5b MoM 6/12/17*)(*LGA972 s142*)
9. A communication from Bedford Borough Council regarding the updated timetable for the Local Plan 2035 was discussed and noted.
10. The Borough Councillor Update December 2017 was discussed and noted.
11. Correspondence:- Briefing Notes 1 and 2 from the CPRE regarding the Oxford-Milton Keynes-Bedford-Cambridge Arc were discussed and noted.
12. Ward Councillor Towler offered to continue to pressurise East of England Ambulance Service regarding response times.
13. The Speedwatch Group will be carrying out checks shortly.
14. Communications from Bedford Borough Council regarding drainage works at Grange Farm and Eileen Wade School, Upper Dean were again discussed and it was noted that work was anticipated to be carried out in January/February.
15. It was noted that the road gully emptier had visited recently.
16. A pothole on Shadbolt Hill has been reported via Fix My Street.
17. Cllr Ward will enquire about road name signs for Brook Lane and Shelton Road.
18. Date for next meeting 7 March 2018 at Dalton Hall, Upper Dean commencing at 7.30pm unless any urgent business is received in which case a meeting will be held on 7 February 2018 at the same time and location.
19. The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.30.