

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SYDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT REST HARROW, TOWNLAKE ON 7TH JANUARY 2015

Present: Vice Chairman Barry Isaacs, Stephen Reddicliffe, James Pattison, Jane Franklin, Denise Head and Cllr. David Whitcombe.

Apologies: Tracy Windemer

1. Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.

2. Matters Arising: It was noted that Margaret Hurdwell has resigned from the Parish Council as she is moving to France.

3. Planning:

3.1 Wonwood House, PL19 8SE – Application for extensions and alterations to annexe to form new indoor swimming pool with ancillary facilities:

The Parish Council has advised Planning Dept. that no problems are envisaged with this application.

3.2. Scrubtor Cottage, PL19 8PG – Application for revised scheme for erection of single storey extension:

The Parish Council has advised Planning Dept. that no problems are envisaged with this application.

3.3. Dragonfly Cottage, PL19 8PU – Application for erection of a replacement summerhouse:

The Parish Council has advised Planning Dept. that it does not support these plans as submitted on the grounds that, in consultation with neighbours opposite the site, it was agreed that the proposed building is too high and too large.

4. Notice Board: This has now been delivered and will be erected as soon as possible outside the Royal Inn, Horsebridge.

5. Town & Parish Council Workshop: Future Development in Your Community:

Barry Isaacs attended this event on 5th December 2014 and reported that it was of some interest. He was invited to comment on behalf of the Parish Council in view of possible changes to planning and funding arrangements in the near future.

6. Precept 2015: District Councillors have strongly advised the Parish Council to increase their annual precept owing to considerable cut-backs within WDBC i.e. funding for salt/grit for roads as well as highway maintenance. After some discussion it was agreed that this should be raised to £461. This is made up of a precept requirement of £443 and Council Tax Support Grant of £18.
7. Gates (Townlake to Horsebridge): It was confirmed that the kissing gates on this footpath have now been repaired.
8. Damage to road-sign: It was reported that one arm is missing from the road sign at Hartwell Cross. Highways Dept. to be contacted.
9. A.O.B: There was no other business and the next meeting was arranged for Wednesday, 18th March.