MINUTES OF MEETING OF SYDENHAM DAMEREL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ROSEMONT, SYDENHAM DAMEREL ON 21ST OCTOBER 2015

<u>Present:</u> Tracy Windemer, Barry Isaacs, Stephen Reddicliffe, James Pattison, Jane Franklin, Claire Brittan, Denise Head, Cllr. Bob Baldwin.

Apologies: Cllr. Debo Sellis

- 1. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
- 2. Matters Arising: Footpath at Scrubtor has improved and is no longer considered hazardous.

3. Correspondence:

- 3.1 Letter received from Geoffrey Cox MP. He has launched a Petition to the House of Commons for improvement in maintenance of rural roads. It was agreed that generally, the roads within the parish were in good condition but nevertheless it was agreed to place forms for signatures to the Petition on our notice boards.
- 3.2 Tavistock Ring & Ride Letter received from this Charity asks for financial support following continuing cuts to services. After some discussion it was decided to consider Tavistock Ring & Ride when next organizing donations.
- 3.3 DALC Annual Report This document drew attention to opportunities for Councils to elect a road warden to be trained to liaise with the County Council in order that minor works are carried out. This position was deemed unnecessary as the local community are generally helpful in pointing out any problems.

4. Transparency Code:

- (a) This involves drawing up Standing Orders and it was agreed that a sub-committee would get together as soon as possible to agree all relevant points.
- (b) Website An application form for funding will be sent to DALC immediately.
- (c) It will be necessary to have a computer and scanner to be used for setting up a website for the Parish Council. Funding is allowed for this e.g. £350 for a computer and £100 for a scanner.
- 5. <u>Planning:</u> Methodist Church, Sydenham Damerel Conditional Consent for holiday let granted.

6. A.O.B:

- 6.1 Salt/grit for winter A supply of this is to be left on the premises of "Rose Hall, Sydenham Damerel.
- 6.2 Notices re Dog Fouling It was reported that these notices are still being deliberately ripped of posts in the parish.
- 6.3 Housing Survey The Chairman will meet a representative from WDBC regarding this, details of which could be usefully distributed around the parish.
- 6.4 Footpath Townlake-Horsebridge Referring to minutes dated 7.1.15, it was revealed that the kissing gates on this footpath have NOT been mended. This will be reported again.
- 6.5. The next meeting will take place on 13th January 2016.