

**Minutes of Dingley Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6th November
2019
at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall, Church Lane, Dingley**

Members Present	Cllr B Jones (Chair) Cllr R Hinxman (Vice Chair) Cllr S Dudson Cllr E Whitesides Mrs Justina Medwell (Clerk)
Others in Attendance	Fiona Barnaby (Village Hall Committee)

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958	To receive and approve apologies: Cllr M Anderson County Cllr A Matthews and Borough Cllr D Howes	
959	Member's declaration of interest in items on the Agenda and any changes to the members Register of Interests: None declared. There were no changes to the members Register of Interests.	
960	To approve and sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd October 2019 were agreed as a true record of that meeting and were duly signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Hinxman Seconded Cllr Dudson	
961	Matters Arising from the last Parish Council meeting: There were no matters arising from the last meeting not covered on the agenda.	
962	Open Forum – Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council: There were no members of the public present. (Meeting closed to the public.)	
963	Planning: KET/2019/0680 - Braybrooke Road, Erection of two new dwellings. The Council had previously considered this application and whilst it made no objection to the development, it stressed the importance of on-site parking for at least three cars per residence and requested that adequate pedestrian footways are provided. It also requested that consideration is given to working times in terms of noise / construction vehicles etc and also to making good any damage to the road surface and verge (For information only) . During the meeting the Council expressed its concern and agreed to be mindful of significant developments which can take place as a result of piecemeal individual applications by the same developer as highlighted in the above application. The Council also emphasised the need for affordable housing in the Village as part of any development.	

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964	<p>Ongoing Matters: (i) Neighbourhood Watch (NW): There was no crime to report this month.</p>																		
	<p>(ii) Village Hall Committee: It was suggested that the Annual Village Meeting be held on the first Friday of May next year. Ms Barnaby will pass this back to the committee.</p>																		
	<p>(iii) Friends of Dingley Park and Access to Dingley Woods: The Council was very disappointed to note the response from the agent regarding the alleged trespass in Dingley Park and his subsequent decision to disallow access to Dingley Wood. The Council agreed to continue pursuing the extension of the period of access to The Park.</p>																		
	<p>(iv) Safety Review of Parish Assets: Cllr Hinxman carried out an inspection of the defibrillator, stating that all was in order. In the absence of Cllr Anderson there was nothing further to report on parish assets.</p>																		
	<p>(v) New Residents: Cllr Hinxman reported that he was still in the process of contacting the new residents to send through a welcome pack if required.</p>	RH																	
	<p>(vi) Emergency Plan: Cllr Dudson had circulated the initial draft of the Emergency Plan for contributions from other members of the Council. It was agreed that this collaborative document should involve contributions, contact details and skills from the whole community therefore it would be appropriate to formalise at the Annual Village Meeting.</p>	All Cllrs																	
	<p>(vii) May 2020 Elections: The Council was mindful of the future Parish Council elections in May next year. It will promote the need for candidacy and all information pertaining to this as it arrives from Kettering Borough Council in The Pump, notice board and website.</p>																		
965	<p>Financial Matters: (i) Payments The following cheques were presented for signature and unanimously agreed:</p> <table data-bbox="225 1563 1348 1675"> <tr> <td>100582</td> <td>J Medwell – Clerk wages and expenses October</td> <td>£294.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100583</td> <td>Gary Ritchie – Footpath maintenance</td> <td>£430.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100584</td> <td>TSOhost – Domain name renewal</td> <td>£70.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Receipts None</p> <p>(ii) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation</p> <table data-bbox="225 1832 1348 2011"> <tr> <td>Current Account</td> <td>£5,263.92</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Less Ring fenced - Defibrillator Monies</td> <td>£270.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Transparency Fund</td> <td>£336.37</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Balance of Reserves</td> <td>£4,657.55</td> </tr> </table> <p>All matters pertaining to finance are displayed on the website on dingley-pc.gov.uk</p>	100582	J Medwell – Clerk wages and expenses October	£294.05	100583	Gary Ritchie – Footpath maintenance	£430.00	100584	TSOhost – Domain name renewal	£70.00	Current Account	£5,263.92	Less Ring fenced - Defibrillator Monies	£270.00	- Transparency Fund	£336.37	Total Balance of Reserves	£4,657.55	
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965	<p>(iii) 2020/21 Budget Setting: The budget for 2020/21 was presented to the Parish Council for consideration. The Council Resolved to accept the Budget and to authorise a Precept for the year 2020/21 of £5,055.00. This equates to a 2.22% increase on the previous year.</p> <p>The Clerk will submit the Precept Demand to KBC for £5,055.00</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Dudson Seconded Cllr Hinxman</p>	JM
966	<p>Parish Highways: Village Footpaths - Church Lane to the top of Dingley Lane (phase 1) and from that point down to the B664 junction (phase 2)</p> <p>The Council noted the response from the Northamptonshire Highways Engineer regarding the required widths and construction costs for phase 2. Unfortunately the County Council do not presently have the man power or financial resources to commit to investigating this phase 2 option in any detail.</p> <p>Regarding phase 1, the Council noted again that the request will be put forward for ranking when this process is undertaken in the new year by NCC (subject to confirmation of budgets). As part of the ranking process, if a Parish can commit to funding the scheme in part, this adds weight to the potential score. This works as a "sliding scale" dependent on the amount of contribution from the Parish i.e. the higher the percentage the Parish can commit the more points it will score. The Council agreed to discuss with parishioners at the Annual Village Meeting to gauge opinion in funding part of this through precept.</p> <p>'Pedestrian Signage', Braybrooke Road – The Council expressed its thanks to Northamptonshire Highways for responding so promptly to its request for pedestrian signs along the Braybrooke Road. These are now in place.</p>	
967	<p>Correspondence: Amongst other correspondence were the following items, all e-mailed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. KBC – Rural Forum Meeting 3rd October / Full Council Meeting 25th September ii. NCALC - eUpdates iii. Northants Police Commissioner – Funding Evening 7th November iv. KBC – Shires Community Services Volunteer Medical Car Scheme – Cllr Whitesides will advertise this service in the Pump 	EW
968	<p>New items for inclusion on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting: Emergency Plan</p>	
969	<p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 4th December 2019</p>	

The Meeting Closed at 8.25 pm

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