## **Sydenham Parish Council**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 4th July 2013

Present: Paul Stancliffe

Roy Harrison
Janet Potts
Alison Isherwood
Rachel Blake
Heather Mullins

Carol Carney

Matters Arising		
Members' declaration of interests (for items on the agenda)	Rachel Blake declared an interest in the planning application P13/S1771/HH	
Minutes of last meeting	These were approved and signed.	
Sydenham Voice	The Fayre committee has approved expenditure for bulbs to plant the areas identified in the spring audit. The bulbs will be purchased in the Autumn and volunteers sought to help with the planting.  A survey will be conducted shortly to see what issues villagers are concerned about.  The tasks that the Historical Society are undertaking were discussed.	
B4445 footpath	No progress. It is expected that the verges will soon be cut by the council. The vegetation is unusually abundant this year. There is a new link for reporting potholes and other highway problems on the County website - this to be circulated via Sydenham Mail.	НМ
Playing Field	The new goals have been installed, and have already received favourable comments.  A bracket has come loose from the bench by the entrance gate - PS to have a look. One of the posts on the adventure trail is wobbling - may need to be pulled out and relocated.	PS
Power cuts	Mrs Willis has received a response to her letter to SSE, saying that their planning department are looking at the option of putting cabling underground, but there is no mention of timescales.  Thames Water are liaising with SSE regarding the power supply to the new pumping station.	
Broadband	The announcement regarding the provider is on hold until October. Surveys will begin before January with the intention to begin the rollout from Jan 14 over the next two years.  Defra funding has not been applied for as we were advised that it would be unnecessary.	

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<u>Finance</u>	The following items have been authorised for payment:	15
	£128.10 PAYE for May - July 2013	
NatWest Current a/c: b/f £4,503.13	Payments: £170.79 clerk's salary £272.59 goalposts for playing field Receipts:	Closing balance at 30.06.13
	£150.00 Sydenham Fayre donation for 1x cut of the churchyard	£4,209.75
Natwest Reserve a/c: b/f £7,734.07	£0.78 interest received	£7,734.85
Planning		
P13/S1771/HH	16 Park View, Sydenham Road Proposed rear conservatory No strong views	
P13/S1910/FUL	Kingsland, Thame Road Part demolition of existing bungalow. Erection of a replacement two bedroom dwelling. No strong views, with additional comment	
Correspondence		
SODC	Draft gambling policy for SO and VOWH District Councils Consultation on he local plan: sites and general policies Town and Parish forum date	
TV Police	July report	
Any Other Business		
Map on the green	The perspex has cracked and needs repair. Quotes to be obtained for two options, one involving a reprint of the map onto acrylic to prevent further water damage and one like for like.  Insurance excess to be confirmed.	PS HM
	There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.  The next meeting will be held on 5th September 2013 in the OSR at 8pm.	

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