

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Dersingham Parish Council held on 24 August 2018 at 5.00pm, at Parish Office 2a Post Office Road, Dersingham.

**Present:** Cllrs S Payne (Chair), C Hipkin, B Hopkins, C Shepherd, M Shepherd, J Houston, Cllr Murrell, K Hathaway, B Anderson, B Judd, D Wright, G Billard, T Bubb & V Brundle

**Also, Present:** Sarah Bristow (Parish Clerk)  
No members of the public present.

- 13002 To Receive and Consider Apologies for Absence**  
**It was resolved to accept apologies from.** Cllr K Manship and Cllr C Davey.
- 13003 To Receive Declarations of Interest and request for Dispensations by Councillors in any of the Agenda Items listed.**  
None Received.
- 13004 To Seek Council approval to suspend Standing Orders and Financial Regulations to allow for the appointment of a Specialist Contractor to assist with additional Design and Instillation works on the Data and Telephony Network, which is urgently needed for Dersingham Centre to open on time.**

Cllr Shepherd explained the situation regarding the need for further work on the IT in the building to allow the Parish Office to function and ultimately for the building to have public access wi-fi. Cllr Shepherd explained that the phone line had been brought into the wrong end of the building and not as specified. Cllr Shepherd explained that the DVCA had spoken with a contractor regarding how to get free wi-fi in the building but to buddy off the Parish Council network. The Clerk had asked that Cllr Shepherd be brought in regarding the security of this initially, but Cllr Shepherd has since checked the wiring etc and found out that none of the cabling has been joined as there is no comms cabinet and patches. Cllr Houston said that he was not happy with the DVCA using the Parish Council's equipment especially around the security. Cllr Shepherd advised that this was high on his list and there would be no security issue. The test of the line remotely shows that High Speed Broadband is available but BT are insistent the there is an error on their site and Open Reach have confirmed that there is no high speed broadband at this current time. Cllr Shepherd advised that because of this it is not possible to achieve wi-fi throughout the building without a separate DVCA line. Cllr Shepherd advised that he was putting the proposal forward to allow the work to get started to meet the opening day and as the proposed Contractor has completed work for the Council over a number of years and it is a specialist field. **It was resolved to Suspend Financial Regulations 11.1a iv. And appoint Mr Richard Dix as Contractor for the Dersingham Centre for I T Requirements.**

**13005. Applications and Determinations:**

**All these applications can be viewed, and commented on, online at the Borough Council's planning portal [online.west-norfolk.gov.uk/online-applications/](http://online.west-norfolk.gov.uk/online-applications/)**

**The Council to vote and make comment on the planning applications.**

Applications:

18/01386/F Application for extension to dwelling at 2 Reynolds Way, Dersingham. **It was resolved to make no comment**

18/01325/F Application for extension to dwelling at 4 Woodside Close, Dersingham. . **It was resolved to make no comment**

18/01470/F Application for extension to dwelling at 4 Station Road, Dersingham. . **It was resolved to make no comment**

Determinations.

18/01078/F Application for removal of existing dilapidated close boarded timber fence and replacement with woven steel fencing and automated entrance gates at Mecklenburg House, 92 Chapel Road, Dersingham.- **Granted**

18/00513/F Application for change of use from agricultural to overflow carpark at 83 Manor Road, Dersingham.- **Granted**

18/01231/PAGPD Application for construction of single storey rear extension which extends beyond the rear wall by 6 metres with maximum height of 4 meters and a height of 3 meters to the eaves – **Not Required**

**13006 Dersingham Centre Finances**

Cllr Shepherd went through the findings of recent reports and meetings. There is a large difference between our QS figures and the Contractors QS figures. At this present time the council are looking at a minimum overspend on the whole project of £142,000.00. Cllr Payne said that she could not understand the sudden increase but looking through the figures the only viable way is to take out another public works loan. Cllr Payne advised that there would be an independent review carried out when the project was complete but at this present time it is important to get the loan so that the Council can pay the Contractor. Cllr Shepherd said that it would be nice to get a final figure so that the Council can obtain the right amount of funding. After discussion it was **Resolved for a meeting to be called with Cllr Judd, Cllr Davey, Cllr Shepherd, Cllr Billard, Martyn Howes and the Clerk for Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**13007**    **Items for inclusion on the next agenda.**  
**Approval for borrowing.**

**13008**    **Date & Place of next meetings.**  
Full Council Meeting on Friday 31 August 2018 starting 5.30pm at The  
Parish Office.

With no further business the meeting closed at 6.05pm