Diptford Parish Council News February 2021

No members of the public attended the meeting

The report from South Hams District Council can be seen on our website - See App. 2

https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php

SHDC are supporting the build of an Aldi supermarket in Ivybridge

Cllr Pannell acknowledged the comment from Cllr Peach that there had been a significant increase in fly-tipping and that this was possibly linked to charges at the recycling centre. He urged everyone to report incidences https://apps.southhams.gov.uk/webreportit

The report from Devon County can be seen on our website – see App. 1

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Cllr Hosking expressed disappointment at the delay in works to Gara Bridge

Cllr Franklin praised the work of the DCC Lengthsman

Cllr Lethbridge questioned the decision to close a planning breach investigation at a time when site visits are not being made. Cllr Foster will request it be resumed as soon as visits are permitted.

Diptford Tennis Courts

It was agreed that, until the weather improves, there is little point in repeating the work on the tennis court surfaces and they will remain closed until it is considered safe to play on them. This will be reviewed at the next meeting in March.

Highways and Community Lengthsman

It was agreed that the communication from SHDC regarding road sweeping did not help with any decisionmaking, that the roads were in a state and that something needs to be done soon to alleviate the problem.

The following action was agreed:

- SH speak to Lengthsman to assess what work he could take on
- Clerk to request that SHDC sweep the roads in the village inside the 30mph signs
- Once lock-down is lifted a team of councillors will walk the parish and identify the worst areas for road cleaning

The following planning application was considered (Cllr Crocker had expressed an interest and left the meeting)

a) 0194/21/FUL Agricultural building for machinery and fodder storage Higher Coombe Farm, Diptford. TQ9 7NP

Some concerns had been expressed about possible increased traffic blocking residents who have right of way on the lane and possible drainage issues. However it was agreed that it was a storage facility and traffic would be minimal and drainage concerns unfounded.

It was agreed that, as long as drainage is directed away from other properties, DPC support this application

The following decision made by SHDC was noted

 a) 3698/20/CLP Diptford Court Farm Bungalow Diptford TQ9 7LY Execs The Late Mrs M Colwill Application for Lawful Development Certificate for proposed use as a dwelling without agricultural occupancy restrictions DECISION: Cert of Lawfulness (Proposed) Certified

Finance

It was agreed to grant £200 to the Village Hall committee for the Parish Hall broadband line rental and Libraries Unlimited £50 towards the refurbishment of the mobile Library

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Date of next meeting 9th March 2021