

**The 215<sup>th</sup>  
Coln St Dennis Parish Council  
Annual Open Meeting  
Was held at 7.15 p.m.  
on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2015  
in  
The Coln Valley Village Hall**

**Present:** As AGM

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**Apologies** had been received from Philip Allen

**1. Minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015** were approved and signed.

**2. Actions arising:**

ND apologised for failing to write on behalf of Manor Barn Farm planning application. Claudia Harvey (CH) had appealed the decision and ND suggested that it may be helpful to have a copy of the Parish minutes which he will email to her. **Action: ND**

GKM will action plans regarding the common land and NTR will resume the cutting of the greens at the top and bottom of the village. **Action: GKM, NTR**

**3. Current Planning Applications:**

A list of the year's planning applications was presented.

**4. Village Hall update:**

The Village Hall is completed, however there are concerns regarding the acoustics. Mathew Bradley (MB) is to seek expert advice on how to resolve the issue in a way that will avoid panels on the ceiling. **Action: MB**

**5. Litter pick report back:**

David Blezzard (DB) reported he was happy with the litter pick and suggested that it be repeated next year with a possible date of 19<sup>th</sup> March 2016. NTR suggested a mention in the Hill & Valley and CH proposed a sign to be displayed at the summer Barbeque.

**Action: DB**

**6. Mobile and Broadband reception update:**

DB attended the open meeting at Chedworth on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 regarding the proposed Mobile

Infrastructure Programme. He reported that the site of the proposed mast was still to be determined and that the Council had agreed to go ahead with a Village poll (results should be available in June). It was agreed that the addition would benefit our Parish.

DB is continuing to investigate options for faster broadband; the favourite at present being fibre to premises which would provide 1GB of speed and extra bandwidth. An information document was given to the Chairman. NTR thanked DB for his help.

NTR reported that the Compton Abdale exchange had recently been upgraded but Fossebridge would have to wait until 2018/19. ND queried the service to expect when G4 is enabled; agreed that it may solve some of the broadband issues, but would give limited connectivity and very expensive. There followed a discussion on cost and safety issues but it was generally agreed that faster broadband was needed and also essential to the running of local business.

## **7. Any Other Business**

NTR reported that Quenington is offering free microchipping for dogs (compulsory Government legislation comes into force on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016) he suggested a similar session may prove useful to the Parish.

MC reported that the merging arrow road markings on the Fosse Way at Fossebridge (on the north bound side) had virtually disappeared. This is a growing concern as there had recently been an accident involving a horse box. MC agreed to contact the Highways Agency.

**Action: MC**

DB has noted an increase in speeding vehicles through Coln Rogers and asked whether there should be a consideration to encourage people to slow down.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.45pm

Nick Talbot-Rice  
Chairman  
3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015