

Minutes of the Penton Grafton Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th November 2018 in the Committee Room, The Fairground Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mr G Light – Chairman
Cllr Mr J Marsh – Vice Chairman
Cllr Mrs J Osborne
Cllr Mrs P West
Cllr Mrs P Foster
Cllr Mr S McKay
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton
County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks
Members of the Public – Mr and Mrs Eades.

Apologies: Mrs R Smith

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mrs J Osborne declared an interest in the Fairground Hall and the Cottage Charity.
Cllr Mrs P Foster declared an interest in the Fairground Hall and the Fairground Site.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Matters arising from those minutes:

WEYHILL BOTTOM CROSS ROADS – The Parish Council are meeting with Steve Woodward the Safety Engineering Team Leader at Hampshire Highways, the following morning to discuss the Weyhill Bottom Cross Roads.

HIGHWAYS

- The Parish Council met on the 1st October to put together a proposal for the Village Gateways in Clanville and Weyhill.
- Two sites on Ewelme land have been identified in Clanville. The Clerk has written to Ewelme with the proposals. Sites for additional Gateways are on the A342 when entering the 40mph speed limit from Andover direction and entering the speed limit on Red Post Lane from Monxton direction.
- The Clerk will write to Mady Ware at Hampshire County Council with the parish Councils proposals.
- Various potholes in the Parish have been reported to Highways.
- The Clerk has put in a request to Highways for a dropped kerb on the footpath from the garage towards Red Post Lane.

DUCK POND – The Clerk confirmed that Hampshire County Council will dig out the ditches as a one off, but future maintenance will be down to the Parish Council. Highways will also clear, dig out and maintain the ditches on the way to Nutbeam further up the road, this should help to ease the flow of surface water. Work has not yet been started.

LAYBY A342 – The Chairman reported that after an exchange of emails with Hampshire Highways regarding the new shortened and widened layby on the A342 action is to be taken to help solve the problems identified.

HANGING BUSH LANE – The Clerk has ordered the posts for Hanging Bush Lane and will arrange for their installation in the new year.

PLANNING

18/02762/LBWN and 18/02761/FULLN – Change use of convert stable building to provide ancillary accommodation and construct garage building – Clanville House, Penton Park Lane. NO OBJECTION.

18/02804/FULLN – Proposed first floor balcony – 7 The Rank, Ancient Lane – NO OBJECTION.

FINANCE.

FINANCIAL POSITION – 13th November 2018

Lloyds TSB Current Account	£5,437.02 (26/10/18)
Premium 10 day Account 1.5%	£17,517.61
10 Day Account	£1,200.15
Instant Access	£794.98
	<u>£24,949.76</u>

PAYMENTS – October and November 2018

R.N. Waterman	Administration – October	£300.00
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Aviva	Insurance	£1,000.78
Lloyds	Bank Charges	£30.10
Unicom	Telephone and Broadband	£142.95
P Reynolds	½ Year Audit	£310.00
TVBC	2 Years Flashing Speed Sign	£875.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£71.95
		<u>£3,030.78</u>

INCOME.

½ Precept £4,900.00

2017/2018 AUDIT

The Clerk reported that PKF Littlejohn the Auditor has signed off the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the Year 2017/2018.

‘On the basis of our review sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.’

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority: None.

The Clerk reported that Paul Reynolds has just completed the ½ year audit of the accounts for the Year 2018/2019 and has signed them off as correct.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk for his sterling work on keeping the accounts in such good order.

STREET LIGHTING

Cllr Mr J Marsh spoke about a recent article in the press about tuning off street lights after midnight to save energy and reduce costs and the removal of some street lights. Cllr Mr J Marsh suggested that the Parish Council investigate the removal of the two street lights in the parish. The Parish Council discussed this and asked the Clerk to make enquiries.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS Z BROOKS

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks asked to be kept in the loop regarding the Weyhill Bottom Cross Roads and the meeting with Steve Woodward.

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks reported that HCC have set aside £2 Million for repairs to the Counties major roads. Highways will be filling the Grit Bins between November and the 24th December 2018. Cllr Mrs Z Brooks spoke about road salting, the HCC priority order for road salting is available to view on the HCC Web Site.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MRS P MUTTON.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton asked the Parish Council if they were happy with the Lengthsman Scheme. The Chairman stated that the Parish Council were happy with the work completed and had no concerns with the way the scheme was being run.

PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

CLLR MR S MCKAY – Reported that the speeding problem in Red Post Lane is getting worse, some residents have taken to parking their cars on the road to try and slow down the speeding vehicles.

Cllr Mr S McKay reported that some residents in Red Post Lane have complained about light pollution from the Goodman's Site. This has been reported to TVBC. Cllr Mr S McKay reminded the Clerk that it had been agreed to have an additional post for the Flashing Speed Sign erected in Red Post Lane. The Clerk will speak again to TVBC.

CLLR MR G LIGHT – Reported that he has received complaints from residents regarding light pollution from car park lights at the meeting hall on the A342. Residents have been urged to make their complaint in writing to TVBC.

CLLR MRS P FOSTER – Reported that potholes on the Fairground Car Park are getting bad again. Tony Burden in due to start work on filling them in but a more permanent solution is needed. The Fairground Hall Management Committee are meeting in the New Year and will be looking to see what grants may be available.

CLLR MRS J OSBORNE – Spoke about several incidents of bad parking in Clanville and at Weyhill Bottom and complaints received from residents. Residents are urged to report any parking issues to the Police using the 101-telephone number.

CLLR MRS P WEST – Spoke about the barred route issue relating to plot 5 at the Andover Business Park. Points noted:

- The Police can not monitor the barred route.

- Money from the fines collected have not been spent in the parishes surrounding the Business Park. It has been identified that money from this fund has been used for road improvements at Highclere.
- Cllr Mrs Z Brooks was asked to investigate where the money from the barred routes has been spent. Cllr Mrs P West has sent a list of questions to Cllr Mrs Z Brooks and requested that these are answered in writing.
- Cllr Mrs Z Brooks confirmed that there is no money left in the fund.

Cllr Mrs P West stated that she was not happy with the way this whole issue has been dealt with. When she was the County Councillor for this Ward, she was very involved with the development of the Andover Business Park making sure that the needs of surrounding Villages were at the forefront of discussions during the planning stage.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr and Mrs Eades spoke about the problems residents in Red Post Lane are having with speeding cars. Mr and Mrs Eades reported that they have verbally been abused by motorists. The Parish Council emphasised the need for every incident to be reported to the Police on the 101-telephone number as each call is logged.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

8th January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Fairground Hall Committee Meeting Room