

Minutes of the Penton Grafton Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th November 2016 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 H Carter
Cllr Mr P Carter
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton
County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks
Member of the Public – 5

Apologies: Mrs R Smith and Borough Councillor Mr Phil Lashbrook.

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Mrs J Osborne declared an interest in the Cottage Charity and the Fairground Hall.
Cllr Mrs H Carter declared an interest in the Fairground Site, the Fairground Hall and the Allotments.

Cllr Mr P Carter declared an interest in the Fairground Site and the Allotments.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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

SEWAGE SPILL – The Clerk reported that he had met with Southern Water and they confirmed that they are responsible for the sewage system from the site gate back through the Fairground Industrial Estate. Southern Water confirmed that for some reason the sewage system through the Fairground Industrial Site was not on their data base and that is why when contacted in the past the Parish Council were told that the it was not their responsibility. In the future, any problems that are experienced with sewage backing up should be reported to Southern Water on their emergency number.

Southern Water have carried out a full camera survey of the sewer system and have identified problems which have now been resolved. Southern Water have suggested that the Parish Council get their drains surveyed to make sure that they are clear and working correctly. The Clerk reported that Clanville Draintech have quoted £894 to carry out a full survey. The Parish Council noted this and asked the Clerk to get two more quotes.

The Clerk has collated all the costs the Parish Council have occurred due to sewage spills over the last few year (when Southern Water refused to attend as their system showed the drains were not their responsibility) and will forward Southern Water.

Southern Water confirmed that there is no legal responsibility to contact the Environment Agency in a Sewage Flood if Southern water are attending and the situation is being managed.

HELICOPTERS – A letter from the CO of Middle Wallop has been received explaining that the area services aircraft flying from Middle Wallop, Boscombe and Odium. The area is part of the Military Training zone and there is nothing that can be done.

SECURITY LIGHTS FAIRGROUND SITE – The faulty lights have been reported to the Electrician. The Clerk will chase this up.

HIGHWAYS – Cllr Mrs J Osborne reported on feedback provided by Cllr Mrs Z Brooks on the issues raised at the Highways meeting held in April 2016.

- Following the accident earlier in the year on the Old Amesbury Road at the Thruxton junction, some improvements to the signage and road markings have been made. No further action is planned.
- Repairs to the Foxcotte Road surface are to be actioned.
- Reducing the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph through Weyhill will not be pursued as it does not meet the criteria, there are no plans to review.

PLANNING

There were no new planning applications to discuss.

FINANCE.

Lloyds TSB Current Account	£ 3,586.52 (28/10/16)
Premium 10 day Account 1.5%	£ 33,212.83
	<u>£ 36,799.35</u>

PAYMENTS – October and November 2016

R.N. Waterman	Wages – Standing Order - Oct	£300.00
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Aviva	Insurance	£562.05
Mr C Wilkins	Maintenance	£311.00
Unicom	Telephone/Broadband	£114.62
OWPC	TVAPTC Subs	£ 15.00
Enham	Grave Yard Maintenance	£484.28
		<u>£2,086.95</u>

SITE FINANCIAL POSITION - October and November 2016

Income	£
Utilities	415.69
Rents October and November	6,485.50 (905.50 - PE, E&I - Nov)
	£6,901.19

Expenditure	£
Sheep Shed Gallery	800.00 (Oct & Nov)
Clerks Fees	600.00
Caretakers Fees	416.00

Maintenance/projects and repairs 3,875.40

Electricity	1,208.54
Water Rates	198.20
Site Cleaning	180.00
	£7,278.14

CHEQUES ISSUED IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2016		£
Crescent Signs	Tearoom Sign	132.00
Flowright	Materials	2,000.00
Clanville Draintech	Service Site Pumps	150.00
Mr R Homewood	Additional Hours - Painting	244.00
HCC Supplies	Cleaning Products	56.40
Slingsby	Railings for Barn	1,065.00
Clanville Draintech	Replace gravel	228.00
		£3,875.40

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 31st October 2016 - £6,137.40

VAT to be claimed - (1st April - 8th November 2016) - £1,642.96

Cllr Mrs J Osborne reported that she has been checking the accounts as agreed at the previous meeting and was pleased to report that all is in order.

STANDING ORDERS

Cllr Mr J Marsh reported that he had put together a draft Standing Orders from a model supplied by NALC. Cllr Mr J Marsh had sent the draft standing orders to the parish Councillors prior to the meeting.

Cllr Mr J Marsh proposed that separate standing orders are put together for the running of the site, as this is a business. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs P West. It was agreed that the Parish Council would hold an in-camera meeting on the 13th December to discuss the standing orders. Cllr Mrs J Osborne gave her apologies as she would be away.

ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that there are four allotments that will be changing hands and that two vacant allotments. Water has now been connected.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS Z BROOKS

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks spoke about devolution. Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight are going down the devolution route of having a Metro Mayor. Hampshire County Council are still undecided. BT are removing many of their telephone boxes and are offering them for sale. It was noted that in many cases these are the modern ones and not the traditional red telephone boxes.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MRS P MUTTON

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that the planning application to modify the planning obligation associated with planning permission 09/02392/OUTN by removal of Part 11 of schedule 6 regarding HCV Traffic Demand Management Systems – Andover Business Park, Monxton Road is to go to committee on the 17th November 2106.

Cllr Mrs P West spoke at length about the conditions attached to the planning permission for the Andover Business Park and why it was important for the surrounding villages for them to remain in place. Cllr Mrs West reported that this new planning application asks to remove the traffic restrictions from the barred routes and allow more than 85 HCVs/HGVs to leave the site in any one hour – a large lorry every 45 seconds.

Cllr Mrs P West spoke about the AMPR Cameras that have not been working for over a year so the data supporting the application provided by the applicant is not up-to date or correct. The increase in traffic on the roundabout will send vehicles through the Villages as they try to avoid the queues.

Cllr Mrs P West asked Cllr Mrs Z Brooks to please strongly object to this Planning Application on behalf of the Parish Councils and that she would fill her in in the background after the meeting.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that it has been confirmed that the New Mobile Post Office will be calling at the Weyhill Garden Centre Car Park on a Wednesday and Thursday from 2.45 to 4.45pm.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

CLLR MRS H CARTER – Reported that the shrubs on the footpath from Casterbridge Lane (adjacent to the Parish Office) are very overgrown and need cutting back.

CLLR MR J MARSH – Stated that he would like to stand down as the Parish Council representative on the CERT Group and suggested that Cllr Mr P Carter took on the role. Cllr Mr J Marsh explained what the role required, Cllr Mrs P Carter said he would take on the role.

Cllr Mr Marsh reported that he has noticed that the CIC Web Site is still on line and he will mention this to Tim Light when he further investigates the CIC.

CLLR MRS P WEST – Wished to record a vote of thank to the Clerk for organising the site meeting with Mr Morrell the TVBC Building Control Officer. The meeting cleared up various issues that had been raised about the suitability of the disabled access on the latest refurbishment of the site.

Minutes of the site meeting held on the 14th October 2016 were given to the Parish Councillors and are attached to the master copy of these minutes.

Cllr Mrs P West also wished to record a vote of thanks to Mr Tony Burden for the professional job he has done on completing the refurbishment of the Fairground Site. Cllr Mrs J Osborne stated that she was impressed by how tidy Tony kept the site during the building work and his effort to minimise disturbance to the unit holders and visitors was noted.

This was endorsed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Cllr Mrs P West reported that while visiting the office one day she was surprised that the Clerk received a telephone call from the PRS Licencing enquiring about the use of the radio in the office. After investigating the rules the Office does not require a licence to play music as it is not a public place.

Cllr Mrs Carter reported that the Fairground Hall does not have a PRS licence as regular users who play music are encouraged to take out their own.

CLANVILLE

Mrs Rhonda Smith sent in the following report on Clanville issues:

- There is an on-going leak in Flint Lane which is seeping water constantly – it has been 'fixed' several times but unsuccessfully. I have reported it yet again – is there anything else the PC can do?
- The Fingerpost at end of St Margaret's/Flint Lane indicating it as a Bridleway (important to stop motor vehicles using it up from Soper's Bottom) has snapped off and is thus invisible and needs to be replaced – who is responsible for this? Hampshire? We often have trail bikes coming up and through at fast speeds. A Fingerpost at the other end (Soper's Bottom end) would be a good idea too as there is no indication of that designation currently and would stop those trail bikes racing through.
- As indicated before traffic up and down Flint Lane (one way/dead end road) travels too fast – having spoken to residents and the farmer (Mr Davis) who tends the land either side we intend to put up signs asking traffic to slow down for vehicles, people, animals. Are there any reasons why we could not go ahead with this?
- As discussed on several occasions traffic along the main road through Clanville travels at ridiculously fast speeds especially first thing in the morning (school runs & rat runs) – 7.00 – 8.45 am. As requested before can we please have this traffic monitored during term time at that time of day to deter these fast SUV vehicles particularly through the pinch-points at the north end. Many near misses.

FAIRGROUND MAINTENANCE

SITE REFURBISHMENT – Mr T Burden has carried out the work needed to one of the manhole covers at the entrance to the site, the other one will be raised when Tony returns to the site to carry out various repairs to the brick planters caused by motorists.

Mr T Burden stated that he is waiting for the hand rails for the steps and will fit them as soon as they are ready.

The Clerk reported that the flood prevention company who supplied the flood barriers is no longer trading. The telephone number and email address are not in use. The Clerk did not know if the missing flood barrier for Unit 9 will be returned.

The Fairground has a new tenant – Scents of Spirit have taken over unit 5. It was noted that new storage heaters need to be fitted in Unit 5. It was agreed that 3.4Kw Automatic Heaters will be installed – an identical replacement.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr and Mrs Eades spoke about the disgraceful length of time it has taken HCC Highways to repair the hole in the pavement on the corner of Red Post Lane. The area was marked with white paint by Highways in August, they eventually came and did the job in October and it now needs doing again. A dropped kerb was requested on the corner of Red Post Lane to the island, this was promised but has not yet been done. Mr Eades asked County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks to please act.

Mr Eades stressed that the safe crossing of the road is important to residents as the traffic has greatly increased since the new Garden Centre has opened. Cllr Mrs Z Brooks said she would follow this up with the Highways Department.

Mrs J Graham spoke about the uneven and badly maintained pathway from Millway House to the roundabout in Weyhill. It is impossible to wheel a wheelchair or even walk safely due to the uneven surface. When and if you do make it to the dropped kerb at the roundabout you cannot use it due to builder's rubble that has been dropped from a passing vehicle.

The Parish Council have complained about this pathway to HCC in the past and were told that it is low priority. Cllr Mrs P West stated that this is where the 'Bared Route' money from the Co-op site should be used. Cllr Mrs West stated that she would liaise with County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks and Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton on this issue to put pressure on Highways to carry out repairs.

It was also noted that it is getting extremely difficult to see oncoming traffic from the left at the roundabout when leaving the Fairground Site.

LENGTHSMAN

The Clerk reported that Penton Grafton Parish Council have been included in a new cluster set up for the HCC Lengthsman Scheme. An application for funding has been submitted to HCC and if successful the Lengthsman will start in April 2017. The Clerk explained that each parish will get a budget of £1000 worth of man hours for the Lengthsman, a request for works to be undertaken will be submitted each month by the Clerk. The Clerk gave the Parish Councillors a list of the jobs that can be undertaken by the Lengthsman, it was noted that 20% of the man hours must be spent on Footpaths and Rights of Way. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 10th January 2017