

**Minutes of the Penton Grafton Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 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 H Carter  
Cllr Mrs R Smith  
Cllr Mr P Carter  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
County Councillor - Mrs Z Brooks  
Borough Councillor - Mrs P Mutton  
PCSO Dave Trowbridge and PCSO Perrett.

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

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

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

HIGHWAYS – The silted up ditch causing the flooding problem at the junction by the Old Chapel has been dug out and cleared, this has solved the problem and there has been no flooding since the work was done. It was not known if Highways or one of the local landowners have done this work.

The old duck pond that used to be at this junction was discussed, it was suggested that this could be reinstated as a Clanville Village project, this will be explored to gauge support.

STANDING ORDERS – Cllr Mr J Marsh stated that work is in progress.

**POLICE**

PCSO Dave Trowbridge spoke about the beat and changes to emphasize Police presence in the rural areas. Residents should ring 101 with any concerns or minor issues they would like to report. 999 should always be used in an emergency.

Cllr Mrs H Carter reported that there is a camper van parked on the verge outside the Grave yard, this is causing a problem when there is a funeral. PCSO Dave Trowbridge will look into this to see if it has the correct documentation and if it is illegally parked.

Cllr Mrs J Osbourne reported that large HGV's are using the road past the Church to as a short cut to access the crossroads at Weyhill Bottom. PCSO Dave Trowbridge stated that he will speak to the local businesses to make them aware of this.

PCSO Perrett gave the Crime Figures for the Parish for the last 12 months.

Antisocial Behaviour 5

Burglary other than a dwelling 6

Criminal Damage 1

Driving Complaint 3

Public Order 3

Road Traffic incidents 12

Theft 6

Theft from a vehicle 3

## **PLANNING**

13/03099/FULLN – Single storey extension to the east elevation, to form a new dining area and enlarged dormer on the second floor to improve the internal space. – Oak House, Penton Lane, Penton Grafton. NO OBJECTION.

16/00392/TPON – Crown raise 10xAsh up to 8m. Remove 1m strip of ivy from specified tree – Land to the rear of 6 The Grove, Penton Grafton. NO OBJECTION.

16/00390/FULLN – Single storey side extension – South Lodge, Ramridge Park,  
16/00391/LBWN Weyhill – NO OBJECTION

16/00353/FULLN – Construction of single-storey extension to northern side of property – 7 St Margaret's, Flint Lane, Clanville – NO OBJECTION.

## **FINANCE**

FINANCIAL POSITION – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Lloyds TSB Current Account	£	94.96 (26/2/16)
Premium 10 day Account 1.5%	£	32,862.16
		<u>£32,957.12</u>

PAYMENTS - February and March 2016

R.N. Waterman	Wages – Standing Order - February	£291.08
R.N. Waterman	Wages – Standing Order – March	£291.08
Mr C Wilkins	Grass Cutting	£64.00
TVBC	Election Costs	£1,007.02
Atwood Electrical	Lights	£282.96
Link Office Supplies	Printer cartridges	£136.23
Hampshire Supplies	Cleaning Products - (VH to be billed)	£220.00
Penton Cricket Club	Share of Recreation Ground cutting	£300, 00
		<b><u>£2,592.37</u></b>

Money Due in:

Village Hall Insurance contribution £1200

Parish Council hire of Office and Refunds £550

Village Hall cleaning products £156

VAT Refund £856.51

### **CLLR MRS Z BROOKS**

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks spoke about HCC and the issue of Devolution. Government have stated that if HCC wish to go down the devolution Route they must have a Metro Mayor. HCC are not keen and are investigating the implications.

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks reported that she has organised a meeting for the Parish Council to meet with Highways on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016 in the Fairground Hall, 10am start. Each Parish has been asked to send two representatives and provide a list of issues they wish to raise with Highways.

### **CLLR MRS P MUTTON**

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that there is a Parish Plan meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 in the Guild Hall. TVBC are also discussing the implications if HCC go down the devolution route.

### **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

CLLR MRS R SMITH – Reported that speeding through Clanville is still a major problem. This was discussed and it was agreed to change the position of the Flashing Speed sign and ask for another speed survey to be done.

Cllr Mrs R Smith stated that she had been asked by the owner of Yew Tree Cottage why the Parish Council has objected to his recent planning application when they had no objections to previous applications. The Chairman stated that it was felt that on reflection that it was over-development of the site.

Cllr Mrs R Smith raised the issue of the importance of keeping road ditches open and the need for regular clearing to stop flooding. This will be brought up with Highways at the meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> April.

CLLR MR J MARSH – Reported on the Penton Bellinger CERT Emergency Planning Group. Grants are available from Scottish and Southern Energy for equipment. One of the aims of the group is to identify the vulnerable in the parish so that help can be prioritized in the case of an emergency. Cllr Mr J Marsh will keep the Parish Council informed of progress.

Cllr Mr J Marsh reported that trucks visiting Bluebell Farm have not been using the designated route to the farm. Trucks have been driving through the ford since they cannot negotiate the turn by the bridge. They also have difficulty in negotiating the bend in Penton Lane and because people park in Penton Lane, the road is very narrow and there is a danger that any cars parked will be damaged. Cllr Mr Marsh suggested that a sign should be erected opposite the ford. This may well be in the Penton Mewsey Parish and will need further investigation.

CLLR MRS C CARTER – Reported that an area of trees on the footpath behind the bungalows in rectory Place has been hacked back and looks very untidy. It is not clear who has done this work. Cllr Mrs H carter suggested that this be reported to HCC Rights of Way.

### **FAIRGROUND SITE**

The Clerk reported that he has spoken to Tony Burden and that he has asked him for a Risk Assessment for the work he intends to do on the patio before he commences. Tony Burden hopes to finish the work on site once the weather improves.

Cllr Mrs H Carter reported that the shutters on her and Ron Caddy's unit are looking untidy and need attention. The Weather Boarding also needs attention. The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that Ron the maintenance man had been painting the shutters on site and was asked to stop after his standard of work was questioned by Cllr Mrs Carter at the September meeting. A quote of £60 to paint each shutter has been received.

It was noted that instructions for use on tins of saddling paint state that there is no need to undercoat.

After some discussion it was agreed to get a quote to replace the shutters on these two units. The Clerk reported that he has already asked Carlos Martin to quote for the weather boards and will also ask him to quote for the new shutters.

It was also agreed that Ron will be asked to continue painting the remaining site shutters (2 units).

Cllr Mrs H Carter also reported that the Flood Protection Gate from Mr Caddy's unity was taken away for repair by the contractor and has not been returned. The Clerk will chase this up.

### **SITE FINANCIAL POSITION - February and March 2016**

<b>Income</b>	£
Utilities	1,348.95
Rents December	3,822.50
Rents January	3,822.50
	<b>£8,993.95</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	£
Sheep Shed Gallery	800.00 (Feb and March)
Clerk's Wages	600.00
Caretaker's Wages	416.00
Maintenance/projects and repairs	1,554.60
Electricity	Nil (£315 in Credit)
Water Rates	234.80
Site Cleaning	180.00
	<b>£3,785.40</b>

CHEQUES ISSUED IN February and March 2016		£
Travis Perkins	New Padlocks - gates	44.47
New Threads	Refund for Paint	101.12
B Teasdale	Repair/replace lights (11 and E&I)	292.77
HCC Supplies	Outstanding bill - supplies	175.84
B Teasdale	Bill adjustment - lights	55.00
J Ayres	Service Café Boiler	188.00
R.N. Waterman	Additional Hours - Jan/F	100.00
B Teasdale	Repair Lights unit 2/3	137.80
Crescent signs	Banner	384.00
Mr B Pearce	Unit 8 and Repair wall	70.00
DJ Harris	Toilet Gallery	105.60
R.N. Waterman	Additional Hours - Feb/March	100.00
		<b>£1,754.60</b>

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 26th February 2016 - £14,222.48

VAT to be claimed = £4,442.42 (1<sup>st</sup> April - 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016) - submitted end of January 2016.

VAT to be claimed - February - March £135.21

### **ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that he has filled in all the forms for the provision of water and has sent them to Southern Water. There are no free allotments at present and none on the waiting list.

### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

### **DATES OF THE 2016 MEETINGS**

**10<sup>th</sup> May**

**12<sup>th</sup> July**

**13<sup>th</sup> September**

**8<sup>th</sup> November**