

Minutes of the Annual Penton Grafton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 12th May 2015 In the Fairground Hall, Meeting Room, Weyhill at 7.30pm.

Present : Cllr Mr G Light - Chairman

Cllr Mr J Marsh - Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs J Osborne

Cllr Mr P Carter

Cllr Mrs R Smith

Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk

Borough Councillor Mrs Pam Mutton

Member of the Public - Ms N Colbourn - Penton Mewsey Parish Clerk

Apologies : Cllr Mrs H Carter and Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook.

WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF OFFICE

The newly elected Councillors signed the Declaration of Office.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mrs J Osborne declared an interest in the Cottage Charities and the Fairground Hall.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

CHAIRMAN - Cllr Mr J Marsh proposed Cllr Mr G Light as Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs R Smith. There were no other nominations. All agreed. Cllr Mr G Light was elected Chairman.

VICE CHAIRMAN - Cllr Mr G Light proposed Cllr Mr J marsh as Vice Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs J Osborne. There were no other nominations. All agreed. Cllr Mr J Marsh was elected Vice Chairman.

MINUTES OF THE 2014 AGM

The Chairman signed the minutes of the 2014 AGM as a true record.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman gave a brief report on the Parish Councils year mentioning an increase in Planning Applications the Allotments and the soon to be launched Web Site. The Chairman welcomed Borough Councillor Mrs Pam Mutton who is joining Cllr Mr Phil Lashbrook. We also have a new County Councillor Mrs Zillah Brooks.

FINANCIAL REPORT - END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

The Parish Clerk produced a financial report for the Financial Year 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015. Each item was explained.

The Parish Council agreed to adopt the accounts. Proposed by Cllr J Osborne and seconded by Cllr J Marsh. The Chairman signed off the Accounts. The Clerk reported that they will now go to the internal Auditor Mr Paul Reynolds to be signed off before being submitted to District Audit.

FINANCIAL REPORT

FINANCIAL POSITION – 31st March 2015

Lloyds TSB Current Account £ 1,098.81

Premium 10 day Account 1.5% £ 32,862.16

£33,960.97

PAYMENTS - April and May 2015

R.N. Waterman Wages – Standing Order - April £291.08

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Aviva Insurance - April and May £1075.20

Mr C Wilkins Grass Cutting £32.00

Bulpitt Print Ltd Election Poster PC £48.00

£1,737.36

Income

VAT Refund £3,535.59

SEC Consent £36.02

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

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

ALLOTMENTS - The Clerk reported that the remaining 10 sheds have been delivered. There has been a problem getting the water butts on site as Southern Water have logistic problems, a van will be hired and the Clerk will go and collect them from just outside Brighton. The Clerk will be writing to all the allotment holders as they really need to form an Allotment Association, this had been agreed at the initial meeting. There are still moans about not having a stand pipe. It was suggested that if an allotment Society is formed they can organise the provision of water and sort out the bills. The Parish Council could give a grant to cover the installation costs.

WEB SITE - The Clerk reported that work on the Web Site is progressing it is hoped to have a live trial late May early June. The basic Web Site will be launched and pages and links added as they are ready.

The Parish Council were pleased on the progress of the web site and looked forward to the live trial. www.Pentongraftonparishcouncil.org.uk

HIGHWAYS - There is still a considerable list of outstanding works to be completed in the parish. Some of the ditches and gullies have been cleared. Mr Ray Alborough stated that unfortunately the speed monitoring in Clanville has still not been done as there is a waiting list of the equipment and that he has added Clanville.

The Clerk reported that he had written to Tim Lawton, Director of HCC Highways to lodge their disappointment in the lack of action. Mr Lawton has replied and will organise a site meeting with his officers. Borough Councillor Mrs Pam Mutton stated that she has worked closely with Tim Lawton in the past and will email him to push for this site meeting to happen sooner rather than later.

Cllr Mrs J Osborne reported that despite sending several emails she has had no further correspondence from Mr Tor at HCC. Cllr Mrs Pam Mutton stated that she will also look into this and the Clanville Speeding problem.

PLANNING

15/00762/FULLN - Extension providing bedroom and en-suite at first floor
- 7 The Rank,

Ancient Lane, Weyhill.

The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

Cllr Mrs Pam Mutton stated that she had not been officially instated as a Borough Councillor and had nothing to report at the moment. She has been allocated a position on Planning.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

CLLR MRS J OSBORNE - Reported that large loaded Nelson Lorries are now turning right at the church to go through the cross roads down towards Clanville, this road is unsuitable for this type of lorry. The Parish Council agreed.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton spoke about the problem that Monxton and Quarley are experiencing with the dumping at Fox Woods and the large number of Nelson lorries going through the villages. Paul Jackson, Head of Planning at TVBC will be contacted on this matter.

CLLR MR P MARSH - Reported that he had attended the Penton Mewsey Parish Council AGM and had sent a report to all the Parish Councillors (attached to the master copy of these minutes). Cllr Mr J Marsh suggested that it would be a good idea to forge a stronger working relationship with PMPC and that he hoped to attend their Parish Council meetings.

Cllr Mr J Marsh noted that PMPC belong to CPRE and suggested that the Parish Council join. This was thought a good idea and asked the Clerk to organise this.

CLLR MRS R SMITH - Reported that residents in Clanville are really concerned with the lack of progress on the issue of speeding through the village. Something also needs to be done to slow down the traffic at St Margaret's.

SITE FINANCE

SITE FINANCIAL POSITION - April and May 2015

Income £

Utilities 619.55

Rents April 3,418.50

Rents May 3,418.50

2 x County Court payment LCA 200.00

£7,656.55

Expenditure £

Clerks Wages 400.00

Caretakers Wages 416.00

Maintenance/projects and repairs 2,430.52

Electricity 2 X £727 1,454.00

Water Rates 249.40

Site Cleaning 200.00

£5,149.92

CHEQUES ISSUED IN April and May 2015 £

Atwood Electrical New Time Clocks and Lights £317.04

Mr B Pearce Spilt Unit 1 £1400.00

Travis Perkins Materials £96.37

Clanville Draintech Site Pump Maintenance £156.00

Atwood Electrical Heater - Busy Hands £81.60

Wessex Fire and Security - Maintenance Contract £359.11

Travis Perkins Materials £20.40

£2,430.52

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 31st March 2015

£2,477.18

FAIRGROUND SITE

The Clerk reported that work is under way to split unit 1-3 into two smaller units. The Guitar Teaching Group are still keen to take on the lease of the smaller unit and have been asked to put forward a business

plan. Tony Burden is due on site to start work on encasing the trees in a wooden surround and to continue with the refurbishment of the site.

PARISH COUNCILLORS ROLES

The Parish Council discussed taking on various roles. The following was agreed.

Cllr Mr G Light - Planning

Cllr Mr J Marsh - Highways

Cllr Mrs R Smith - Clanville and help with the Web Site

Cllr Mrs J Osborne - Footpaths

Cllr Mr P Carter - Parish Council Property Portfolio

Cllr Mrs H Carter - The Fairground Site

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

14th July 2015 in the Fairground Hall Committee Room at 7.30pm