

Minutes of the Penton Grafton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th September 2014 In the Fairground Hall, Meeting Room, Weyhill at 7.30pm.

Present : Cllr Mr G Light - Chairman

Cllr Mrs J Osborne

Cllr Mrs H Carter

Cllr Mr J Marsh

Mrs R Smith

Cllr Mr D Dunham

Richard Waterman - Parish Clerk

Mrs P Foster and Mr P Evans - Fairground CIC Directors

Members of the Public - 9

Apologies : Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook.

WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Cllr Mrs H Carter declared an interest in the Fairground CIC, the Fairground Hall and Co-op.

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

MINUTES OF THE JUNE AND JULY MEETINGS

The Chairman signed the amended minutes of the June meeting as a true record. The Chairman then signed the minutes of the July meeting as a true record. Matters arising from those minutes :-

ALLOTMENTS - Work is progressing on the allotments for an early October hand over. A meeting with those who have expressed an interest in having an allotment will be held, an Allotment Holders Association will need to be formed and the relevant paperwork completed. Cllr Mr D Dunham, Cllr Mrs J Osborne and the Clerk will oversee the hand over of the allotments.

WEB SITE - Cllr Mr J Marsh reported that he is currently working on the web site. The domain name has been purchased www.Pentongraftonparishcouncil.org.uk

HIGHWAYS - There is still a considerable list of outstanding works to be completed in the parish. The road drains on the A342 are still blocked and need clearing, work has been completed on the crossing point on the A342, however there are problems with a high kerb that has been reported to Highways.

Complaints have been received about overgrown hedges obscuring road signs, this has been passed on to Highways.

The Clerk reported that Hampshire Highways have had a change of personnel and the new Highways Officer for this area will be making contact with the Parish Council to arrange a site meeting.

CYCLE WAY - There was no further news to report on the proposed extension to the Cycle Route.

NOTICE BOARDS - Clanville now have a new notice board on the Village Hall. The Clerk confirmed that the July Minutes have been displayed on all four village notice boards. Cllr Mr J Marsh suggested that at least half of the Penton Grafton Notice Board should be locked so that the minutes can be displayed with out them being obscured by other notices. This was noted.

PARISH COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION - the Clerk confirmed that an up-to-date copy of Arnold Baker Administration has been purchased.

PLANNING

14/02056/TPON - Remove dead wood from Beech tree and remove one Yew tree - 5 Lodge

Drive, Weyhill.

The Parish Council had no objections to the work on the Beech Tree but

OBJECTED to the removal of the Yew tree.

14/01972/TPON - Reduce longer limbs in upper canopy of 1 Horse Chestnut by up to 1.5m

to make more compact, remove dead wood. Remove 3 other trees not

included in the TPO - 1 Hardyfair Close, Weyhill.

The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

14/01982/FULLN - First floor extension to replace one bedroom and provide new bathroom

and en-suite - 3 St Margarets, Clanville.

The Parish Council had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

Cllr Mrs R Smith declared an interest in this planning application.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Andover Advertiser to request that their list of planning applications revert to how they used to be reported, recent changes have caused confusion.

PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE

FINANCIAL POSITION – 9th September 2014

Lloyds TSB Current Account £ 519.27

Premium 10 day Account 1.5% £ 30,584.32

£34,672.12

PAYMENTS - August and September 2014

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

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Aviva Insurance - Aug and Sept £1,122.98

Weyhill PCC Grave Yard Maintenance £132.01

TVBC ¼ Share FSS Maintenance £395.00

Penton Mewsey PC Grant defib £250.00

Clanville Village Hall Grant £250.00

Metro Plan Clanville Notice Board £206.61

Mr B Pearce Fit Notice Board £25.00

SLCC Arnold Baker New Addition £85.50

£3,049.26

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

CLLR MRS R SMITH - Reported that there are concerns in Clanville over the Penton grafton Cottage Charity plans to build two cottages in the garden of Meadowview.

The Chairman stated that the Cottage Charity would like to build two additional dwellings that will be rented to people with local connections. Test Valley Planning have been consulted and there is a good chance that planning permission would be granted under the affordable housing legislation. There are a lot of hurdles to overcome with the design and when the time is right the Cottage Charity will liaise with neighbours to address their concerns before proceeding with an application.

Cllr Mrs R Smith enquired about a request from Jill Griffin some time ago for an additional grit bin at the Tilley Down junction. The Clerk reported that the grit bin is on site and will be sited before winter.

Cllr Mrs R Smith reported that residents of Clanville are concerned about the problem of speeding through the village. Lucy Blackburn and Matt Halder from Clanville addressed the meeting with their concerns. The Parish Council will ask Mr Ray Alborough, TVBC Highways to come to the November meeting to discuss what measures can be employed. The Clerk will contact Highways to ask if a speed survey can be undertaken to gather data on vehicle movements.

CLLR MR J MARSH - Reported that the Grafton Place sign has still not been replaced by TVBC. This has been reported to Cllr Mr P Lashbrook.

CLLR MRS H CARTER - Emphasised the need for the road drains on the A342 to be cleared before the winter.

REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

Mr Phil Evans reported that the Michaelmas Fair will be held on the 20th and 21st September A Christmas Event will be held on the 5th December. A lantern parade from Weyhill Church to the Village Hall will take place followed by Mince Pies and Craft stalls.

The Community Interest Company AGM will take place on the 8th October at 4.15pm in the Fairground Hall.

FAIRGROUND SITE

The Clerk gave an up-date on the site refurbishment. Tony Burden the building contractor is due back on site late September and the bottom patio is the next area to be undertaken.

The Clerk had obtained a quote for flood barriers at the Gallery and Tearoom doors, the problem of surface water flooding is occurring on a regular basis.

SITE FINANCIAL POSITION - August and September 2014

Income £

Utilities 363.94

Rents August 3,533.00

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Refunds PC 83.30

CIC Refunds 232.12

£7,745.36

Expenditure £

CIC Payments 1,700.00

Clerks Wages 400.00

Caretakers Wages 416.00

Maintenance/projects and repairs 2,845.01

Electricity 4 X £891 1,454.00

Water Rates 450.40

£7,265.41

CHEQUES ISSUED IN August and September 2014 £

Clanville Draintech Check Drains 144.00

Atwood Electrical Various Jobs on Site 1,014.98

The Lime Wash Centre Lime Wash 306.10

Mr M Townsend Weed Killing 135.00

Keyline Key Cutting 53.98

TVBC Sand Bags 90.90

Travis Perkins Materials Paint/Padlocks etc 345.59

Tim Buckland Service Café Boiler 130.56

DJ Harris Toilet Repairs 105.60

David Stephenson Notice Board - Site 100.00

Gerry's Timber Chalk Boards 112.20

The Lime Centre Lime Wash 306.10

£2,845.01

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 9th September 2014 = £1,816.51.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Parish Council have received a request from Mrs Sue Jones, proprietor of the Tearooms requesting that the Parish Council re-consider allowing her to sell crafts in the Tearoom, all commission will be paid to the CIC.

The Chairman could see no problem with Mrs Jones selling crafts in the Tearoom as long as it was not in competition with any of the other crafts on site and that all commission is paid to the CIC. The Chairman granted permission, this will be confirmed by letter.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Parish Council were thanked for allowing the Tearoom to sell crafts again, this will be a welcome return for the Tearoom customers.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

11th November 2014 in the Fairground Hall meeting room at 7.30pm

Cllr Mrs R Smith gave her apologies