



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the meeting of the Annual General Meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Thursday 18th May 2017 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

Present: Cllr King (Chairman) and Cllrs Hayday, Palmer, Herrett, Jones, Sutherland, Francis, Bell, Burr, Eynon and Randall.

In attendance: Mrs Maria Pennington, Parish Clerk and Unitary Cllr Richard Britton.

Public questions

A representative from the Gardening Club reported on a RHS crocus bulb initiative and wished to know if the bulbs could be planted around the village. It was explained that the Parish Council owns very little land, some green areas are owned by private land owners, some by Wiltshire Council and the Memorial Ground is under the control of the Memorial Trust.

The Parish Council meeting began at 7.40pm.

To elect the Chairman of the Council and to receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

96/17 Cllr Hayday proposed, Cllr Randall seconded and it was RESOLVED that Cllr King be elected Chairman of the Council for 2017/18. The Chairman signed the Acceptance of Office slip and the Clerk witnessed.

To elect the Vice Chairman and to receive the Vice Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

97/16 Cllr Palmer proposed, Cllr Francis seconded and it was RESOLVED that Cllr Hayday be elected Vice Chairman of the Council for 2017/18. The Vice Chairman signed the Acceptance of Office slip and the Clerk witnessed.

Apologies

98/17 No apologies.

Declaration of Interests

99/17 There were no declarations.

To receive written applications for the office of parish councillor and co-opt a candidate to fill the existing vacancy

100/17 One application had been received from Mrs. Julie Bell who introduced herself. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to co-opt Julie Bell and the Declaration of Office was signed by Mrs. Bell and the Clerk.

Acceptance of minutes of meeting held 18th April 2017

101/17 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th April 2017 and they were signed by the Chairman.

To review and appoint representatives/committee members

102/17 Representatives were elected as follows:

Parish Council Representatives:

- School Liaison Julie Bell
- Educational Foundation Trust Trevor King and Linda Palmer
- New Forest National Park Linda Palmer
- Area Board Peter Jones, Linda Palmer, John Herrett and Trevor King

- Highways Neil Sutherland and Julie Bell
- CATG Peter Jones and Mike Hayday
- Emergency Plan Richard Burr and Andy Eynon
- Community Speed Watch Mike Hayday
- Blackwater Conservation Project Leo Randall
- Conservation Julie Bell
- Youth Liaison Neil Sutherland

Committee Members

- Rights of Way/Commons Richard Burr, John Herrett and Andy Eynon
- Finance Trevor King, Linda Palmer and Hugh Francis
- Planning All Councillors

Planning update

103/17 16/09386/WCM Brickworth Quarry. Cllr Randall and Britton advised this application has been approved.

104/17 16/11152/FUL Woodpeckers Brickworth Road. The Clerk reported this application has gone to appeal.

To consider a response to planning applications received:

105/17 17/03303/FUL Des Deria Clay Street Whiteparish SP5 2ST

Single storey side extension. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment.

106/17 New Forest NP 17/00361 Holmere House Common Road Whiteparish SP5 2QW

Tractor shed and secure store. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.

To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances

107/17 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the payments as listed in the following schedule and to record the bank balances.

PAYABLE TO	AMOUNT	VAT	TOTAL	DETAIL
Mrs M Pennington	33.60	0.00	33.60	Reimbursement for office administration
Mrs M Pennington	494.40	0.00	494.40	Remuneration
Wiltshire Association of Local Councils	485.91	97.18	583.09	Annual Subscription for WALC and NALC 2017/2018

INCOME RECEIVED			
DATE	SENDER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT £
21.04.17	Wiltshire Council	1 st half of precept	14,382.17

- Community Account Balance 18.05.17 - £54,253.34
- Business Reserve 18.05.17 - £24,320.80
- Conservation 18.05.17 - £185.20

Finance update

108/17 Clerk advised that the first half of the precept has been received.

To consider annual subscription to WALC

109/17 The Clerk advised the annual subscription to WALC, which includes the subscription to NALC is £485.91 excluding VAT. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to renew the WALC annual subscription.

To adopt the Parish Council's Complaints Policy

110/17, 86/17 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to adopt the amended Complaints Policy.

Rights of Way update

111/17 Further to the possibility of having some new kissing gates the Clerk reported that she is meeting with Nick Cowen, Wiltshire Council Senior Rights of Way Warden, in a few weeks for clarification.

Highways update

112/17 The Clerk reported that the annual WC Parish and Town Councils Highways meeting is on 23rd May and she will be attending.

113/17 Wessex Water are investigating a reported leak on the Romsey Road by Meadow Court and have advised an order for temporary traffic lights has been requested.

To consider the proposals raised from the Area Boards theme of Conservation

114/17 Cllr Bell agreed with the crocus planting as reported by the Gardening Club earlier. She advised that she is still investigating bird boxes to be made with the help of the village and the school. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve expenditure of £100.00.

115/17 Reports from Representatives

School

Cllr Bell reported on her recent meeting with the Head about the traffic along Common Road.

Memorial Trust

Cllr Herrett reported on the Memorial Trusts activities.

New Forest National Park

Cllr Palmer updated on a meeting she had attended today at Hale regarding the removal of the 5 electricity pylons. The electricity cables are being considered for location underground.

Whiteparish Education Foundation

Cllr Palmer updated on the WEF.

Youth

Cllr Sutherland reported on the recent 5th Anniversary celebrations of the Youth Group.

Area Board

The next Area Board is June 1st at Winterslow Village Hall, Middleton Road, SP5 1PQ.

Correspondence/communications

116/17 The Clerk updated on correspondence received.

Exempt business

117/17 There was no exempt business.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is to be held Thursday 22nd June 2017 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.52pm as there was no further business.