

Minutes of the Meeting of Ashurst and Colbury Parish Council on 15th March 2016 at 8.30pm, held at the Church Rooms, Deerleap Lane, Colbury.

Present: Cllr M Coaker (Chairman), Cllr Caroline Hubbard (Vice Chairman), Cllr Sally Arnold, Cllr Emma Lacey, Cllr Stuart Jenkins, Cllr Ann Sturgess, Cllr Mike Thomas, Cllr Clive White.

NFDC; Cllr D Tipp

Members of the Public; 17

Cllr Coaker opened the meeting and welcomed everyone attending. It was noted that Cllr Thomas was making a recording of the meeting for his own personal use.

451/FC Public Participation.

Members of the Public, with the approval of the Chairman, will have the opportunity to ask questions relating to matters of community interest, which fall within the responsibility of the Parish Council.

Mike Craig;

Raised the matter of flooding between the junction of Fletchwood Lane and Busketts enclosure. Water was causing danger to motorists and affecting nearby houses.

PC; Agreed to contact the Forestry Commission to request that they clear the ditches.

David White;

Updated the PC on the speed limit on Woodlands Road. He thanked Cllr Thomas for attending the demonstration.

Mr White had received a reply from Cllr Sean Woodward who apologised for the delay in replying but still did not address the main issue. Mr White gave a copy of the letter for circulation amongst councillors.

An article from the Lymington Times in 1941 was shared; a letter requesting the reduction to 30mph of the speed limit on Woodlands Road!

Ian Oliver;

Reported that it was unlikely that the children's allotment competition would go ahead as there was only one entrant. Also that the ground at the allotments was improving.

Alistair Hutchin;

Queried when the central area outside the precinct of shops was going to be tidied up as it was mentioned a number of months ago. **Amended; Also that there are two rotten posts in the precinct that need attention.**

Cllr Coaker answered that the clerk is currently investigating who the lands belongs to.

Jonathan Bull;

Raised the issue of damaged verges and residents concern that it may affect property prices. Residents are making efforts to repair the verges themselves but could do with the support of the PC.

Dragon's teeth were suggested as a solution.

Cllr Lacey enquired whether there were key places where the damage was especially obvious.

Cllr Coaker reminded everyone of the reasons of cost and risk why HCC were reluctant to take any action.

It was agreed that the PC will contact highways again about the issue.

Heather Richards;

Raised concerns about a local plan and wanted to raise awareness amongst councillors.

It was noted that it would be a future agenda item.

452/FC Apologies for absence.

Cllr K Mans, Cllr L Puttock, Helen Klaassen.

453/FC Disclosure Of Interest In An Agenda Item

Councillors are reminded that under the Code of Conduct if they have a personal or pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda they must declare it now.

454/FC Approval of Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 16th February 2016.

Cllr Sturgess proposed and Cllr Jenkins seconded that the minutes be accepted. Vote; 7 for, 1 against.

455/FC Matters Arising Not on the Agenda.

Cllr Lacey drew everyone's attention to magazine article on Totton Communicare that would shortly be appearing on the services they offered.

Also that a meeting on engaging youth in the village would go ahead shortly.

456/FC Accounts.

1. To consider accounts paid and payable since the last meeting (Appendix 1).

Cllr Sturgess proposed and Cllr Lacey seconded that the accounts be accepted. All Agreed.

2. External Audit Procedures. To receive an update and vote on whether to opt out.

457/FC Police / Neighbourhood Watch Report.

Karen Oliver reported that there had been some calls regarding nuisance by bikes. Non-dwelling burglaries were unfortunately ongoing and seem to be a problem county wide.

458/FC Correspondence.

None.

459/FC County Councillor's Report.

None.

460/FC District Councillor's Report.

None.

461/FC Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations / Recreation Ground Dedication Day.

Cllr Coaker requested that Cllrs Jenkins and Thomas get involved to set up this combined event which would take place in the recreation ground and involve unveiling the stone and plaque.

There was some confusion over the date; the Parish Clerk will be in touch with Sue Hutchins regarding the date.

462/FC Parish Council Logo Competition.

Cllr White and the magazine committee have been discussing a change of logo. A competition for a new logo will be advertised in the magazine next month; residents will be asked to come up with a winning design.

Entries will be on show at a future parish council meeting.

463/FC Fete. To receive an update.

All is going well. Still thinking about charities and waiting to hear back from them. Sales of draw tickets will be earlier in the year, but businesses are still needed to donate prizes.

Cllr White asked for a volunteer to take over organising letters to businesses.

Amended: Cllr Emma Lacey will draw up a list of businesses that could be contacted for prizes.

464/FC Minutes of Other Committee Meetings.

1. Planning Committee – 16.02.16

465/FC Reports from Representatives of other bodies. To receive feedback of information relevant to the parish from Councillors who attended those meetings.

Cllrs Coaker and White had attended HCC's Devolution Workshop.

466/FC Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting.

There being no other business the chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting at 9.34pm

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