

Minutes of the Meeting of Ashurst and Colbury Parish Council, 15th November at 7.30pm.
Held at the Church Rooms, Deerleap Lane, Colbury.

Present; Cllr Caroline Hubbard (Vice Chairman), Cllr Sally Arnold, Cllr Emma Lacey, Cllr Ann Sturgess, Cllr Mike Thomas, Cllr Clive White.

Clerk; Helen Klaassen

HCC; Cllr Keith Mans

NFDC; Cllr Derek Tipp

Members of the Public; 21

583/FC Election of Chairman.

Cllr Arnold proposed, Cllr White seconded that Cllr Hubbard be elected Chair. All agreed. Cllr Hubbard was elected as Chair.

584/FC Election of Vice Chairman.

Cllr Arnold proposed, Cllr Sturgess seconded that Cllr White be elected Vice Chair.

Cllr Thomas proposed Cllr Lacey, however there was no seconder.

Four Members were in favour of Cllr White and one Member abstained. Cllr White was elected Vice Chair.

585/FC Public Participation.

A fifteen minute period will be allowed for members of the Public, with the approval of the Chairman, to have the opportunity to ask questions relating to matters of community interest, which fall within the responsibility of the Parish Council.

Mr David White; Speedwatch. There had been four volunteers so far. Councillors were happy for Mr White to take the applications.

Cllr Arnold reported that she wasn't able to make the Netley Marsh meeting after all.

It was suggested that an article for Speedwatch volunteers go in the magazine.

Ian Oliver spoke and congratulated Cllr Arnold on an excellent Remembrance Sunday event and made mention of the recent Outreach group event at which Cllrs Hubbard, White and former councillor Max Coaker had been present.

A member of the public noted the sound difficulties and Cllr Hubbard informed those present that the PC had gone some way to try and alleviate this by moving district and county councillors to sit in the front row of the public seating, so the tables at which parish councillors sat could be moved closer. Mrs Richards mentioned the hearing induction loop and asked whether that could be used. It was agreed the clerk would ask about it.

586/FC Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Puttock.

587/FC Disclosure Of Interest In An Agenda Item

None.

588/FC Approval of Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on 18th October 2016.

Cllr Sturgess proposed and Cllr Arnold seconded that the minutes be accepted. All agreed.

589/FC Matters Arising Not on the Agenda.

The extra waste bins were still being chased.

The charities receiving cheques from the monies raised at the fete were being invited to the December meeting for presentation.

It was requested that each set of the minutes should include an 'actions' section at the end.

The clerk updated those present that she had asked for an update of the school bus situation and that

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whilst no paid for bus had been arranged due to lack of interest, that the situation with extra traffic was not as bad as had been anticipated. The park and stride had been a success.

590/FC Accounts and Clerk's Report.

1. Clerk's Report.

The clerk reported that the defibrillator had now been installed and that it had been a busy month but that there wasn't much to report.

2. To consider accounts paid and payable since the last meeting.

Councillors were happy with the accounts presented.

3. To confirm the precept amount.

The precept amount of £31,520.00 was proposed by Cllr Hubbard and seconded by Cllr Arnold. All agreed.

4. Grit bins.

The clerk stated she didn't have the paperwork with her but would forward it on to councillors.

591/FC Police / Neighbourhood Watch Report.

Mrs Karen Oliver reported;

Neighbourhood Watch/Police report for Parish Council Nov 15th 2016.

Cross-border operations have taken place between Dorset and Hampshire Police, British Transport Police Community Officers, Rail Revenue Inspectors and the Hampshire Drug Dog Team regarding thefts and burglaries by offenders using the rail network between Bournemouth, Christchurch and New Milton. The offenders usually try to travel purchasing a valid ticket so giving the authorities adequate reason to take details and issue fines of anyone travelling without the correct ticket and carrying suspicious baggage. At New Milton station, someone with cannabis was apprehended.

If you have to travel by train, please don't be afraid to do so but just be aware of those around you and don't leave your belongings unattended – even to make a comfort visit or make purchases from the buffet car if there is one.

There are many scams around at the moment – either by email, post or telephone. One of the latest and aimed particularly at this time of year is **Spray Foam Insulation**.

This is not always effective and some properties are not suitable to be insulated. If you need advice, ring the **Energy Savings Trust** on **0300 123 1234** who can help with any queries.

Due to operational duties, PCSO Richard Williams has had to **cancel** two Beat Surgeries on Sunday the 27th of November and they are at; Lyndhurst Catholic Church at 09.45 and Colbury Church Rooms at 11.00.

592/FC Correspondence.

All correspondence had been sent via email.

Attention was brought to an email from Mr Bell regarding damage to the verges and that it had been happening again due to large vehicles driving over them.

The clerk agreed to speak to HCC regarding the matter.

593/FC County Councillor's Report.

Cllr Mans reported that he had been at the photo opportunity for the Defibrillator.

He reported that cabinet had met regarding devolution and that there was a narrow majority in favour of the status quo. Other areas may go with devolution and there be an opportunity for local councils to voluntarily take on delegated services.

594/FC District Councillor's Report.

Cllr Tipp reported that at district level devolution was still up in the air and they were waiting to hear of government would approved their devolution proposals and that many options were being considered.

He noted that he would be providing funds to the Youth Club.

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Cllr Tipp reported on the significant spend that the district would have to make in relation to pensions; £160,000 this year would have to put aside and for the next four years. People were living longer and the pensions were very rewarding contributing to the high cost. Cllr Tipp also thanked Cllr Arnold for the Remembrance Service.

595/FC New Forest National Park Authority's Local Plan Consultation.

Cllr Arnold declared in interest in this item as a Member of the National Park.

Cllr Lacey gave a run down of recent events; the meeting on 8th November, how the response had been formulated and the contribution of the local community.

It was noted that if development of the Whartons Lane area must take place than no further development in that area should be considered.

The opportunity of other sites within the village was discussed and the car wash and the telephone exchange near the hospital were mooted as having potential.

Further discussion amongst councillors took place and Councillor Lacey reminded those present of the further chance of consultation which would enable the council to see if their comments had been taken in consideration.

The response was voted on. 4 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

596/FC Carol Service.

The PC and Ashurst and Colbury Community Group were hosting the event, which would be on 13th December and would be advertised in the next edition of magazine.

597/FC Election of New Councillors.

The notices calling for electors to request an election following the resignation of two councillors had been placed and it was noted with regret that an election had been requested by eleven electors of the parish. This would cost the council in the region of £3000 and this had to be built into this year's precept request.

There will be an article in the magazine calling for candidates for election.

598/FC Minutes of Other Committee Meetings.

Planning – 14th November 2016 – In the event of this meeting being inquorate Councillors were asked to vote on recommendations received from the Committee. The clerk noted that she had not yet had a chance to prepare these minutes and so they were held in abeyance until the December meeting.

599/FC Other Projects. To receive an update from Councillors undertaking any other projects on the Parish Council's behalf.

Cllr Lacey reported that the Youth club organising was progressing well. The draft constitution was written and roles and responsibilities of the committee decided.

£150 in donations had been received.

600/FC Reports from Representatives of Other Bodies.

Cllr Arnold reported that she had attended a meeting with Dr Julian Lewis MP regarding Southern Health and Tatchbury Mount regarding the closure of Woodhaven and they were fighting to get it reopened as it meant otherwise that people would be sent a great distance to receive care.

She had also attended the Foxhills meeting, the Festival of Remembrance which had raised £2000 for the Poppy Appeal and National Park Planning.

Cllrs Hubbard, White, Lacey and Thomas had attended the Local Plan meeting.

Cllrs Hubbard and White had attended the very successful Outreach group tea, which was attended by 24 very lively and elderly residents.

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601/FC Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting.

It was noted that the December meeting would be short to allow for the get together afterwards.
A date would be set for the allotment meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.52pm.

Signed: _____
(Chairman)

Date: _____

Appendix 1

Payments Received Since Last Meeting		
10.10.16	Mag Ad; Solent Foot	260.00
18.10.16	Mag Ad; L Baptist	110.00
19.10.16	VAT Reclaim	4,191.23
25.10.16	Fete; dog show & Foxhills	61.00
25.10.16	Mag Ad; Herb Pot	60.00
25.10.16	Mad Ads; NF Golf, E Brown, J Gailor	230.00
25.10.16	Mad Ad; Thomas	60.00
26.10.16	Mag Ad; MJ Woodman	60.00
31.10.16	Mag Ad; SOL. Acc 46	60.00
31.10.16	Mag d; Maids of the Forest	110.00
31.10.16	Mag Ad; Studio 14	60.00
2.11.16	Ad ;Longdown	440.00
2.11.16	Ad Lyndhurst Drama	22.00
Total		£5,724.23

Payments Made / To be Made		
2129	Honeypot Fete Donation	250.00
2130	Headway Fete Donation	250.00
2131	Parish Outreach Group Donation	100.00
2132	Southern Water - allotment Water	41.29
2133	Foxhills Jnr Sch - Room Hire 8.11.16	41.25
2134	TLC - Website and email	51.00
2135	Elite Playground Inspection - Whartons Lane Rec.	42.00
2136	MD electrical - Defin install	202.50
2137		
Total		£978.04

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