Minutes of the Meeting of Ashurst and Colbury Parish Council, 18th October at 7.30pm. Held at the Church Rooms, Deerleap Lane, Colbury.

<u>Present;</u> Cllr Max Coaker(Chair), Cllr Caroline Hubbard (Vice Chairman), Cllr Sally Arnold, Cllr Emma Lacey, Cllr Ann Sturgess, Cllr Mike Thomas, Cllr Clive White.

<u>Clerk;</u> Helen Klaassen **NFDC;** Cllr Derek Tipp **Members of the Public;** 21

Cllr Coaker welcomed everyone and opened the meeting. He then proceeded to give a statement;

'I declared in the July meeting that it was my intention to stand down from the Parish Council in the near future. Therefore, to avoid any uncertainty and to allow the council to seek a replacement I am announcing that I am standing down forthwith. As a final wish I have pledged £100 of my Chairman's allowance to the Outreach Group towards the cost

I have not taken the decision to stand down lightly and I wish you all the very best for the future.

Cllr Coaker then took his leave from the council table and moved to join the public seating.

of Remembrance Tea for the elderly or infirm residents not able to get out.

Following this, Cllr Caroline Hubbard moved to chair the meeting and thanked Cllr Coaker for all his work and innovation in such areas as the Recreation Committee, Christmas lights and the Fete to name a few.

565/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.

Mr David White gave a Speedwatch update; he had been to see the equipment at Lyndhurst and they will support them. He explained the process that volunteers need to be found, who then need to be trained and then a group of 4-5 will arrange a date to go out and do the watching and that hopefully, there will be no cost. He was hoping to persuade a few younger members from the PC too.

The police records were fantastic and Julian Lewis MP had said if they kept a record of speeds to present to HCC he would support them.

The question was asked whether they would be able to cover the Netley Marsh section of the road.

Cllr Arnold will ask NM what their plans are when she attends their next meeting.

566/FC Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Mans, Cllr Puttock, Mrs Karen Oliver and the Police.

567/FC Disclosure Of Interest In An Agenda Item

Cllrs White, Sturgess and Thomas on agenda item 577 as Allotment plot holders.

568/FC Approval of Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on 20th September 2016.

Cllr Lacey proposed and Cllr White seconded that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record; all agreed and the chairman signed them off as so.

569/FC Matters Arising Not on the Agenda.

None.

570/FC Accounts and Clerk's Report.

1. Clerk's Report.

Following last months meetings the clerk had looked at the individual insurance policies of the tree providers and felt that AON offered the best and most comprehensive cover, and also the best price so she had asked them to take over as insurance provider for the council. This had been agreed and the PC was now covered.

That the bus shelter had been cleared of ivy, sanded, and re-stained by the Community Payback Scheme workers and that they would be doing the other wooden bus shelter next. Also that they may be able to clean the plastic ones. Getting water to the site would have been problematic for the PC but the CPS had said they may be able to do that themselves.

Signed: ____

The Defibrillator would be installed within the next week or so. There had been a delay as the electric supply was not where it needed to be, but this had now been addressed and installation would be soon.

The clerk was waiting for quotes for the refurbishment of the notice boards but suggested that this should include some new signs on each board to show more clearly that they were PC notice boards.

The clerk also updated members on some outstanding items from previous meetings, namely;

- **1.** Update parish notice boards a quote had been requested.
- **2.** Letter to Forestry Commission for better drainage ditches on Woodlands Road the Forestry Commission had actioned this.
- **3.** Improvements to 'village centre' rotten posts etc. Would be dealt with the by the Recreation committee.
- **4.** Identify key verge 'black spots' and run a trial of one or two methods to alleviate damage in Ashdene Road
- 5. Request litter/dog waste bin on A35/Knellers Lane corner still awaiting response from NFDC.
- **6.** Disabled bay by parade of shops required had found information from the previous attempt and discovered that there was not enough room for passing traffic if a disabled bay was installed.
- 7. Village welcome pack not the clerk's remit.

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

The clerk presented recent expenditure and income (appendix 1).

Cllr Arnold requested that cheque numbers be put alongside the list of outgoings as she believed there would be greater clarity. The clerk said she would do this.

3. Half Yearly Review.

The Clerk presented the half yearly financial report of the various committees' expenditure to the PC (appendix 2).

571/FC Police / Neighbourhood Watch Report.

None.

572/FC Correspondence.

- New Forest Disability; Request for funding.

No funding is being given this year. Clerk to write back.

- James Brown, NFNPA; Adoption of red telephone box on Woodlands Road.

Not in A&C parish.

573/FC County Councillor's Report.

None.

574/FC District Councillor's Report.

Cllr Tipp reminded those present of the opportunity for grants through himself and Cllr Puttock. Applications must state what the grant is for and who will benefit. They would like them all to be done by the start of 2017. Cllr Tipp has some grant money left over from last year which is being held for this year only.

Cllr Lacey told Cllr Tipp that there had been some delay in setting up the youth club charity and couldn't apply until this was done.

NFDC were cutting down on recycling sites which will save £140,000 per year. Pubs are willing to have the bins in their car parks because of a waste disposal discount, but as this would be gone next year it was anticipated less sites would be volunteered.

There has been a hiatus on collecting fridges and freezers as there are too many already in the system and there is no room for more. Hopefully this is only temporary.

There was nothing to report on devolution, but an update from Government is expected in December.

575/FC New Forest National Park Authority's Local Plan Consultation. To form a task and finish group who will formulate a response to the Local Plan, in Particular Policy 20, Land at Whartons Lane, Ashurst, to recommend

to the full council in November.

The Terms for Reference for this group were discussed. It was **Resolved** that Cllr Hubbard, Cllr White, Cllr Lacey and Cllr Thomas would dissect the plan and identify the main issues. They would then disseminate those points and issues to both the public meeting and, following a further meeting amongst themselves to discuss the issues raised at the public meeting, report back to the PC in order that a response may be formulated to be sent to the NPA.

The task and finish group reported that there would be a public meeting regarding the local plan on 8th November at Foxhills School and that David Illsley, Planning Policy Manager for the New Forest National Park Authority would be in attendance to answer questions.

576/FC Planning Committee. To elect an extra Councillor to the Planning Committee.

It was noted that the Planning Committee had once again been inquorate. Cllr White volunteered that he would be able to stand on the committee in the short term.

Cllr Thomas proposed that Cllr White be elected to the Planning Committee and Cllr Lacey seconded.

Resolved; That Cllr White join the Planning Committee in the short term.

577/FC Allotments. To receive an update.

However, it was noted that riddance of the rats had been successfully undertaken by Rokill and that there would be the annual allotment holders meeting on 26th November in Colbury Church Rooms.

578/FC Fete. To receive an update.

It had been decided at a recent fete meeting to give each of the two nominated charities £250 pounds each. Cllr White thanked everyone for their support despite the dreadful weather.

The Clerk would contact the charities to arrange photographs.

579/FC Carol Service. To receive an update and to continue to plan for the event.

Cllr White reported that he had emailed councillors for help with the event, which would be held on 13th December at the church rooms and would be advertised in the November Magazine. The buffet would come from the Chairman's allowance. Ocean Harmony would be invited to sing.

Cllr Lacey would do a poster for the notice boards.

Inviting the Ashurst and Colbury Community Group to be involved was discussed and David White said he would ask at their meeting on 1st November.

Notices would be passed to the Parish Outreach Group, Tiddlywinks and the event would be advertised on facebook and the parish council's website.

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

Youth Club; Cllr Lacey reported that she and Dan had met with Father Des at St Josephs and that he was brilliant! The venue for the club would be St Josephs and Fr. Des had suggested many good ideas including football and a tuck shop.

Trustees were still needed, only for about 3-4 evenings a year. The next phase would be getting the charitable status sorted and the club would be started off around Christmas with an event.

Parish Outreach Group; There would be an afternoon tea on 11th November, 12.30 – 3pm for which helpers were needed for transport (anyone who is able to help should email Cllr White). The group would be looking to do 2-3 events per year.

581/FC Reports from Representatives of Other Bodies. To receive feedback of information relevant to the parish from Councillors who attended those meetings.

Cllr Arnold reported she had attended numerous meetings, including;

Land Advice Council Meeting

Local Plan Review Meeting

NFALC

Cllr Arnold noted that the History Exhibition had been successful, showing in excess of 10,000 photographs.

Another 40 photographs had been brought in and several articles.

Cllrs White and Hubbard had attended the Parish Outreach Meeting and the Local Plan Meeting in Lyndhurst. Cllr Lacey had attended the Local Plan Meeting and had met with Fr. Des.

582/FC Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting.

- PC response to local plan.
- Vote for new chair and vice chair.
- Starting the process for new councillors.
- Precept meeting 1st / 2nd week of November.
- Carols update.

There being no further business Cllr Hubbard thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting at 8.29pr
Signed:
(Chairman)
Date:

Appendix 1.

Appendix 1

Payments Received Since Last Meeting		
	Total	£0.00

Payments Made / To be Made		
14.10.16	Max Coaker - Expenses	27.21
14.10.16	Helen Klaassen - Clerks Salary and Expenses	714.98
14.10.16	St John Ambulance - First Aid provision for Fete.	144.90
04.10.16	Rokill - Rat riddaance in allotments	350.00
04.10.16	Aon Insurance - PC Insurance	794.78

Total £2,031.87

Appendix 2.		
Item	Proposed 16-17	Half Year 16-17
Income:		
Precept	17,002.00	17,002.00
Donations ¹	350.00	350.00
Grants ²	500.00	500.00
Expenditure:		
Insurance	-1,415.00	
ICO Fees	-35.00	-35.00
HALC / NALC Fees	-485.00	-496.00
Stationery	-100.00	-110.37
Printer Ink	-250.00	-13.94
Audit	-725.00	-675.00
Clerks Salary + WFH Allow.	-9,397.00	-4,196.14
Clerks Expenses	-300.00	-124.02
PAYE/NICS	-200.00	-12.63
Office equipment	-100.00	0.00
Office Rental	-3,210.00	-1,560.00
Office fit out	0.00	0.00
Hall / Room Hire	0.00	0.00
Training	-100.00	-40.00
Email	-55.00	-15.00
Mobile Phone	-120.00	-45.00
Maintenance of Assets		
Sundries	-100.00	-66.39
AED & Cabinet	-1,500.00	-1,381.75
Chairman's allowance	-400.00	-152.07
Election Fees	0.00	0.00
Christmas Carols	-100.00	0.00
Total	-740.00	8,928.69

- 1. Brought fwd from 15-16
- 2. Brought fwd from 15-16

Allotments		
Item	Proposed 16-17	Half year - 16-17

Balance B/fwd	633.57	£633.57
Income:		
Fees (if all plots filled)	1,020.00	£105.00
Precept	1,865.00	£1,865.00
Expenditure:		
Hedge cutting	-200.00	£0.00
Southern Water	-160.00	£0.00
Prizes	0.00	-£79.17
Grass cutting	-150.00	-£100.00
Projects	-2,000.00	£0.00
Sundries	-150.00	-£12.45
Clearance work	-225.00	£0.00
Room Hire	0.00	£0.00
Drainage	0.00	£0.00
Total	633.57	£2,411.95

Fete		
Item	Proposed 16-17	Half year 16-17
Income		
Balance B/fwd	£1,315.00	£1,315.00
Income From Stalls	£1,095.00	£1,120.00
Takings OTD	£1,700.00	£880.00
Donations	£0.00	£0.00
Expenditure		
Entertainments	-£250.00	-£300.00
Expenses	-£200.00	-£135.55
Prizes	-£250.00	-£150.00
Programmes	-£130.00	-£104.00
Signage	-£105.00	£0.00
Donation out	£0.00	-£500.00
Cadets Band	£0.00	£0.00
Defibrillator	-£531.75	£0.00
St Josephs Donation	-£50.00	£0.00
NFDC Licence	-£20.00	-£20.00
Prize Draw Prize	-£99.96	-£99.01
Marquee		-£163.98
Draw tickets		-£60.00
Totals	£2,473.29	£1,782.46

Magazine		
Item	Budget 16/17	Half year 16-17
Income:		
Advertising	£4,944.00	£2,502.00
Precept	£3,170.00	£3,170.00
Expenditure:		
Magazine Printing	-£5,000.00	-£2,910.00
Expenses ¹		-£50.00
VIP Website hosting	-£40.00	-£85.00
Website	-£180.00	-£45.00
Domain name renewal (2 years)	-£30.00	£0.00
Magazine Advertising contingency	-£1,000.00	£0.00
Website rebuild and upgrade	-£900.00	£0.00
Magazine Distribution	-£1,100.00	£0.00

Totals -£136.00 £2,582.00

1; £50 range voucher - logo competition prize

Recreation Ground		
Item	Proposed 16-17	Quarter 1 - 16-17
Income	•	
S106 Grants	£7,810.00	£7,810.00
Precept	£3,500.00	£3,500.00
Reserves	£7,500.00	£7,500.00
Donation from Ukelele Trio - Pip Day		£5.15
Expenditure		
Trees Survey (NFDC)	-150.00	-£176.00
Footpath Spraying	-65.00	£0.00
New Equipment	-5,000.00	-£4,910.00
Annual Safety Check	-85.00	-£87.50
Quarterly Safety check	-150.00	-£42.00
Grass cutting	-600.00	-£325.00
Christmas tree lights	-150.00	£0.00
Fence	-8,000.00	-£7,810.00
Tree Works	-500.00	-£180.00
QEII FiT Trust Dedication	-1,000.00	-£723.85
Benches / Picnic Tables	-1,000.00	-£772.80
Sundries	-300.00	£0.00
Equipment Maintenance	-500.00	-£185.00
Grounds Maintenance	-500.00	-£435.00
Totals	810.00	3,168.00