



PIRBRIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 26 June 2012 in the Parish Shop at 7.30 pm.

Members present: Cllr R. Nevins (Chairman) Cllr M. Hobbs
Cllr E. Eason Cllr S. Fidgett
Cllr M. Jackson Cllr Newman
Cllr R. Richmond

In attendance: L. Graham (Clerk) 2 members of the public
PCSO Rachel Yeomans

1. **To Receive Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Witham and Cllr G. Jackson.

2. **To Receive Members' Declarations of Interest on Any Agenda Item Below**

No Declarations of Interest were received.

3. **MINUTES**

3:1 To Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting as a True Record

Action: *it was **resolved** that the minutes of the previous meeting, held on Tuesday 22 May 2012, should be **approved** and the Chairman signed them.*

3:2 To Receive the Clerk's Report on Actions taken

3:2:1 Re item 7:4 (May), the main area of the green was again too wet for the contractors to cut, although they were able to do the playground and fenced area of Lord Pirbright's Hall.

For information

3:2:2 Re item 7:7 (May), no responses were received from members to the questionnaire.

For information

3:2:3 Re item 10:2 (May), work has begun repairing the potholes in the Sandpits car park but the contractors have been delayed because of wet weather.

For information

3:2:4 Re item 3:2:2 (April), the **Lemprière Trust** has made a grant to PPC and LPH to purchase the projector, which was first used with a special screen for showing the Thames pageant during the Diamond lunch at the Jubilee celebrations.

For information

3:2:5 The lime tree that fell across the Avenue de Cagny was moved from the road by SCC and then cut up by PPC's regular tree surgeon. The chipped waste has been used as a mulch on the area by the Jubilee bus shelter. Basal growth around the bases of all the trees on the Green has been removed and suspect branch on a chestnut tree on the Little Green has also been made safe.

For information

3:3 To Elect a Vice Chairman for the Parish Council

Two candidates were proposed for election: Cllr Richmond (proposed by Cllr Jackson, seconded by Cllr Nevins) and Cllr Fidgett (proposed by Cllr Eason, seconded by Cllr Newman).

Action: *Cllr Fidgett was elected Vice Chairman by a majority of three to two (with two abstentions).*

4. **REPORTS**

4:1:a To Receive Reports of Crime in the Parish

PCSO Yeomans reported on one assault, four thefts, two cases of harassment plus four non crimes in the village area of the parish. In the camp areas there were three assaults, four thefts, two cases of harassment plus five non-crimes.

4:1:b The poaching incident in Chapel Lane (item 5:5, below) will be reported to PC McMurtry, of the Neighbourhood Policing team.

4:2 To Receive Reports from the County and Borough Councillors

No reports were available.

4:3 To Receive the Minutes of the LPH Managing Trustees Committee

Members received the minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 12 June 2012.

For information

5. COMMUNICATIONS

To Discuss Communications Sent & Received Since the Previous Meeting

5:1 The partners at **Pirbright Surgery** have contacted PPC to ask for advice in finding a new location for the practice if a future purchaser of The Old Vicarage does not wish to continue with the current arrangement.

Action: *Members agreed that the surgery is a valuable asset in the village centre. The Planning Committee was delegated to look at ideas.*

5:2 GBC (John Armstrong, Legal & Democratic Services) has sent details of the new ethical standards regime, to begin on 1 July 2012, which will involve a revised code of conduct for both the borough council and all parish councils. There will also be a revised register of interests for all councillors to complete, with a mandatory requirement that these must be included on the relevant website.

Action: *for information until further details are received.*

5:3 The Cadence Band has written to request a grant from PPC for purchase new instruments.

Action: *the Clerk has contacted the band organiser for details of the number of parish children that are members of the band (13).*

Proposal: *to pass the request to the Finance & General Purposes Committee for consideration.*

5:4:a PPC has written letters of thanks to the Institute of Animal Health and Shepherd Construction for their work in restoring the former bus shelter to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee.

For information.

5:4:b A resident has criticised PPC's handling of the bus shelter restoration, stating that it was not a truly community project and it turned into a commercial enterprise donation.

Action: *a draft reply was approved under item 10:2*

5:5 A Chapel Lane resident has reported an unpleasant poaching incident that took place in a field, whereby a man was seen shooting a deer, which he then dragged away. The incident has been reported to the police.

For information.

5:6 A Mill Lane resident has written (via GBC) to complain about the condition of the surface in Mill Lane and about the lack of a bus shelter at Swallow Corner.

Action: *the letter has been forwarded to the ward members for GBC and SCC. The Clerk has confirmed to GBC that there never has been a bus shelter at Swallow Corner and that the current bus stop sign is a recent addition.*

6. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES

6:1 To Approve PPC Payments Made Since the Previous Meeting

Action: *Payments made during May and June 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.*

6:2 To Approve the Updated Complaints Policy

Action: *the updated policy was approved, to include the aim to inform all members of issues as soon as possible.*

6:3 To Consider Concurrent Grant Aid Projects for Financial Year 2013-14

Action: *Quotes for repairs to the bus shelters and cricket pavilion, the Green Hut rebuild and a new photocopier will all be considered for grant-aided projects by the F. & G. committee.*

7. **PLANNING**

7:1 To Receive the Minutes of the Planning Committee

Action: members received the minutes of the meetings held on 22 May and 12 June 2012.

8. **HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT**

To Receive an Update on the Vehicle Activated Sign & Speed Data Recorder

Cllr Hobbs reported that figures from the SDR when erected in Gole Road showed 4700 vehicles in a week, with top speed of 78 mph travelling out of the village and 83 mph towards the village; 66% of vehicles leaving the village were travelling over 40 mph and 78% coming into village were recorded as travelling at over 40 mph.

Action: the figures will be passed to Casualty Reduction Officer. The SDR will be erected in Cemetery Pales, Dawney Hill School Lane and into Fox Corner when it returns to the parish in September. No VAS training dates have yet arranged and Cllr Hobbs will contact Normandy & Worplesdon Parish Councils in the hope of increasing numbers for the course to 10.

9. **NEWSLETTER**

Ideas for inclusion will be submitted to the Clerk by 8 July.

10. **JUBILEE**

10:1 To Receive a Report about the Jubilee Celebrations

10:1:a The parish Jubilee celebrations have been hailed as a great success in spite of adverse weather conditions that forced cancellation of the children's games and a rearrangement of the schedule. It has been estimated that some 600 people enjoyed the picnic outside while 90 people attended the Diamond Lunch in Lord Pirbright's Hall.

10:2 To Discuss Correspondence Received and Agree Replies

10:2:a Several thank you letters and messages have been received from residents expressing their enjoyment of the celebrations and the Chairman and Clerk have written to thank everyone who helped to organise the day, provide and move furniture etc.

10:2:b Unfortunately PPC has also received correspondence from members of the church who criticised the questioning of the bar profit being given to the church, rather to the Jubilee fund as was agreed at the second meeting of the committee on 24 January 2012

Action: the draft responses to two of the letters were approved. Cllr Jackson & Cllr Fidgett will draft responses to further correspondents.

10:3 To Approve the Jubilee Accounts and Appoint an Auditor

Action: The accounts were approved and it was agreed to appoint Mr Burnham Clinton to audit them on an honorary basis.

11. **CHAIRMAN'S CONCLUSION**

11:1 To Receive the Chairman's Notices

The Chairman reported that she and the Clerk would be attending Deepcut Barracks to celebrate Armed Forces Day.

11:2 To Note Items for Inclusion on the Agenda for the Next Meeting (31/07/2012)

The Rural Housing Enabler will be invited to attend the meeting to discuss the housing survey. Problems about parking in the village centre and a reciprocal presentation to the Cagny Twinning Association will also be discussed.

The meeting ended at 9.00pm.

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