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MINUTES 92

Minutes of the meeting held in the Memorial Hall Annexe, Woodchurch on Friday 28 February 2014 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Mr J West (chair), Mrs G Davies, Mrs J Haynes,

Mrs D Penn, Mr A Faiers, Mr A Hukins, Mr P Spice and Mr R Woods Mr C Banyard, Community Warden, PCSO Gary Carr and colleague

PARISH CLERK:

Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR: Mrs A Hicks

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 4 Members of the Public present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from Miss R Dewar (family commitment), and Borough Councillor, Mr P Davison.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

Declarations of Significant Interest

There were no Declarations of Significant Interest.

i) <u>Updating of Declarations of Interest for the Code of Conduct</u> Councillors are reminded that they should update their Declarations of Interest with the Monitoring Officer if necessary.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting held were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr West should sign them as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Mr Hukins

Seconded Mr Spice

4. MEETING ADJOURNED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND RECONVENED

The meeting was opened to Members of the Public present from 7.03 - 7.25 pm for questions and comments.

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5. <u>UPDATE ON EXHIBITION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH ABC PLANNING DEPARTMENT</u>

Councillors agreed to ask ABC whether 27 March would be a suitable date for the exhibition.

6. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

Letter from ABC regarding Planning Application Consultations

Following discussion councillors agreed to include an amendment to the Standing Orders to allow for a signed ballot if appropriate on the next agenda.

7. VILLAGE MATTERS

The Clerk was asked to write to the members of the Memorial Hall Committee and give them permission to dig up the car park in order to replace the water main.

The Clerk was asked to reply to the email from the Friends of Woodchurch School and give permission for the committee to hold the Summer Fete on The Green on 19 July.

Bus Shelter outside of Doctors Surgery

Mr Hukins is in the process of finding a contractor to lay the concrete base.

Proposed Village Fun Day

It was agreed not to proceed with the Fun Day.

Village Cleaner

Three applications have been received so far. Councillors will interview the candidates on 9 March.

Digital Speed Monitors

Councillors decided not to proceed with a monitor as they are very expensive.

Quote for cutting the grass at the War Memorial

Mr Shaw from Garden Wise has informed us that he is increasing his price for cutting the grass at the War Memorial from £10 to £12.50, with immediate effect.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to contract Garden Wise to cut the grass at the War Memorial at a cost of £12.50 per cut. As the total cost for the year will be less than £2000 our Standing Orders state that we only need to obtain one quote.

Proposed Mr Spice

Seconded Mrs Haynes

8. MATTERS ARISING

There were no Matters Arising that were not covered on the agenda.

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9. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

Charity Account Balances

Sir Edward Hales Charity - £8664.39

Sir Edward Hales Charity - £303.01

Woodchurch Windmill - £995.13

Woodchurch Windmill - £4280.68

Earmarked Funds

	Balance
	31.01.14
Election/Standards Committee	5000.00
Contingencies	9040.74
Maintenance on War Memorial	788.02
Diamond Jubilee	NIL
Play Area	1199.39
Village Trees	600.00
	16628.15

Bank Reconciliation

Account Balance		Balance at Bank	
Opening Balance	46938.92	Money Manager Account	49847.70
Plus Receipts	47514.52	Less uncleared cheques	985.68
	94453.44		48862.02
Less Payments	45541.42	Plus Community Account	50.00
	48912.02		48912.02

Village Clock

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to contract Smith of Derby to maintain the Village Clock until 2020 at a cost of £949 plus VAT.

Proposed Mr Woods

Seconded Mr Spice

Accounts to be Paid

PAYEE	NET	VAT	GROSS	DETAILS
	£	£	£	
Mrs J Batt	499.86			Salary
	28.86		528.72	Expenses
Mr D Fogden	209.50		209.50	Salary
Smith of Derby	949.00	189.80	1138.80	6 years clock maintenance
TOTAL	1687.22	189.80	1877.02	

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to pay the above accounts.

Proposed: Mr Woods

Seconded Mr Faiers

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Budget and Setting of Precept for 2014/2015

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed the budget for 2014/2015.

Please see attached.

Proposed Mr West

Seconded Mr Spice

Website

All community information, events, businesses, etc has been transferred to the WCIE website.

Report for Parish Magazine

Mrs Penn will complete the report.

Insurance

Nothing to report.

Notice Boards

Mr Woods offered to look at the different notice boards available and report back to the next meeting.

Archiving of Parish Documents

We have not managed to find a 3 drawer filing cabinet for the hall.

The Scouts and Guide Committee has agreed to allow the Parish Council to store old documents in the roof space of the Community Centre. The Clerk will send a letter exonerating the committee from any liability in the event that the documents are damaged.

Salaries

Resolution:

Councillors unanimously agreed to maintain the Litter Picker's Salary at £7.50 per hour.

Councillors unanimously agreed to increase the Clerk's Salary to £11.66 per hour, backdated to 1 April 2013.

Proposed Mr Spice

Seconded Mrs Haynes

10. CORRESPONDENCE/EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

ABC Notes of the Parish Forum held 22 January 2014 Resident ew Road Sweeping position Stone Circle Livery

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

2 x r residents re Road Sweeping position

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Received from PCSO Gary Carr

Since the last parish council there have been two reported crimes in the Woodchurch Ward. A shed was broken into in Lower Road after fence panels were removed. A mobile phone was stolen out of an unlocked vehicle parked off road on Front Road.

KCC Warden Chris Banyard and I continue to attend the primary school to help educate parents to park safely and lawfully. I have also conducted foot patrols in the area and have spoken to locals attending the church coffee morning. I have handed out UV pens, shed alarms and crime prevention advice given to residents in the ward.

11. HIGHWAY ISSUES

The Clerk was asked to report the following potholes:-

On the junction opposite Woodchurch House Along Susans Hill Outside of Treasures By Shirkoak, Bethersden Road

12. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.53 pm.

Signed ... Dated ... Dated ... Dated ...

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PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD

2014

FEBRUARY 2014

13/01410/AS Stone Circle Livery, Little Tiffenden, Redbrook Street, High Halden, Ashford, Kent TN26 3QW

Erection of a disabled access gate (Retrospective) and creation of indoor equestrian

Parish Council: Support

14/00133/AS Balcony House, Brook Street, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SX
Erection of an extension to form a self contained annexe (ancillary to main dwelling)
WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

14/00134/AS Balcony House, Brook Street, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SX Internal alterations at ground and first floor levels including removal of oil fired boiler and door opening blocked in kitchen, reinstate original doorway to hallway, reinstate original partition wall and door to sitting room, new opening formed and creation of en-suite bathroom to first floor bedroom to main dwelling house.

Parish Council: Support