

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Of the Full Council
Minutes of the Meeting Held On Wednesday 30th January 2013 at 7.00pm
in the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr R Bryan, Chairman

Cllr J Crow

Cllr M Dyer

Cllr C House

Cllr R Dudman

Cllr B Goringe

Cllr Mrs J House

Cllr N Hindmarch

Cllr G Willetts

In attendance: Mrs A Jacobs Clerk, County Councillor P Richardson.

339. Declarations of non-declared Pecuniary Interests: None

340. Apologies – Cllr R Adkins; Cllr M Hockley; Cllr Mrs A Warman and Cllr R Warman

341. Public Speaking: None

342. County Councillor Peter Richardson: A copy of Cllr Richardson's report had been circulated to Members. Cllr Richardson was disappointed that the yellow lines had not been installed yet and will be chasing this up. Minerals Core Strategy is ongoing. The NHS will be working in partnership with DCC. Questions were put by the Members:-

Cllr Willetts reported that a model practice of joint NHS and Local Authority working was working well in some parts of the country.

Cllr Crow asked if there had been any news on the kerb lowering along the A31 it is now 2 years since the request and there were now 9 residents in Oaktree Park with mobility scooters. Only one kerb had been installed by the Hospital. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Chope again and the Highway Agency. The Clerk will put as a rolling item on future agendas. An article in the newsletter was also suggested.

343. Grants of Dispensation: The Clerk reported receiving a request for dispensation from Section 31 (4) of the Localism Act 2011 for Cllr B Goringe to participate in the Precept discussions and decisions relating to the budget and precept for this and subsequent meetings involving those matters until May 2015. The Clerk recommended this for approval to the Members. Proposed by Cllr C House, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House. Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: that the Dispensation from Section 31 (4) of the Localism Act 2011 be granted to Cllr B Goringe to participate in the budget and Precept discussion until May 2015.

344. Approving Minutes of the full Council meeting held on 28th November 2012:-

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th November 2012 pages 52-56 were agreed as an accurate record and adopted.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs J House, seconded by Cllr J Crow. Agreed unanimously.

345. Matters arising from the Minutes:

1. Hampshire Minerals and Waste – response submitted 10.12.12
2. Boundary Review response submitted 30.11.12

346. Approved Minutes of the following Committee Meetings were adopted:-

- i) Meeting of Planning Committee held on 22nd November 2012; 20th December 2012. Proposed by Cllr Mr J House, seconded by Cllr C House, agreed unanimously.
- ii) Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 7th November 2012. Proposed by Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr C House, agreed unanimously.
- iii) Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 7th November 2012. Proposed by Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr M Dyer, agreed unanimously.

347. The following correspondence was noted:-

1. EDDC Agendas
2. Further letter sent to Mr Pickles Department re FSCS – acknowledged
3. Public consultation draft of the Ringwood Local Distinctiveness Supplementary Planning Document is now available closing date for comments is Monday 18 February 2013. Emailed to Members
4. DAPTC circulars – emailed to Members
5. DCC Invitation to Bus Service Consultation Stakeholder workshop on 1202.13 – Cllr Mrs A Warman will attend.

6. Navitus Bay further consultation announced
7. Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee Minutes – emailed to all on 29.01.13. The minutes were discussed. A lack of accountability and transparency was noted. The Clerk will write to Mr Chope and point out these issues. Whilst not having a direct border with the Airport, the Parish does have some of the nearest houses to the flight path.

348. Village Hall Management Committee:- The minutes of 20.12.12 and 17.01.13 emailed to Members were noted.

349. Precept Setting and Budgetary Provision for 13/14 – Min. 283 (ii) refers following recent direction from the Government, Members reviewed the decision made in principle, taking into account the new Tax Base of 3707 and the grant from EDDC of 3621. After further discussion and taking into account the extensive work of the Finance Committee, over several months, it was agreed that no further revisions were necessary and a precept demand of £77,984 effectively an increase of 2.91% on a Band D property would be made. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr R Dudman, carried by 7 in favour and 2 abstentions.
RESOLVED: To submit a precept demand of £77,984 for the financial year 2013/2014.

350. Meetings Review:- Min. 65 refers Members reviewed the Committee meeting structure and schedule together with the Calendars for 2013 and 2014. This was discussed. It was agreed that meetings should happen as per the schedule and not be dependant on outside sources. Cover for holiday of the Clerk will be arranged. The Chairman cautioned Members that care will need to be taken to limit any additional separate meetings either before or after Full Council meetings to ensure that meetings finish at a reasonable hour. The amended Amenities and Finance dates were also agreed. Proposed by Cllr G Willetts, seconded by Cllr M Dyer, agreed unanimously.
RESOLVED To adopt the new meeting structure for meetings and revised calendars for 2013 and 2014.

The Clerk will circulate a new list of dates and amend the bookings with the Village Hall.

351. District Councillors' Update:

Cllr M Dyer: The Core Strategy review looks to be going through without any significant surprises.

Cllr R Dudman: Cllr Richardson has been chasing up the crossing outside Moors Valley but the volume of traffic does not meet the criteria. Cllr Dudman suggested this wait to the school holidays and also suggested that people should go up to the Pegasus crossing as they can access the Park at that point.

352. Parish Councillors' Reports:-

1. DAPTC – Cllr Hindmarch reported: The CE is retiring and the new CE is Cynthia Starkey. Strategic grit bin will be refilled. Temporary Stop notices have been issued to some Gypsies and they have been moved on. The Trustee issues were discussed. At Corfe Mullen all of the Councillors are Trustees of the Village Hall. Mr Mallett was waiting for an opportunity to test his theory and the Monitoring Officers Group welcomed the opportunity to put the CPS to the test. There is a finance Course on 5th February which will cover electronic banking the Clerk is booked to attend.
2. Homewatch – no meeting
3. TAG – no meeting
4. Youth Club – The Clerk gave a precis of a recent email from Alan Ball reporting that recruitment was progressing and also reported that Cllr Bob Warman as Treasurer had also been reminding the Club of Maintenance and management issues.
5. PACT – no meeting
6. Car Park Working Party - A meeting has recently been held and the minutes circulated to Members by email. The Chairman gave a brief resume: Evaluation of several possible options has been made but it was difficult to compare which option would be preferred without formal quotes. The Committee still needs to establish what the Scouts would require in return if releasing part of their section. Sponsorship was also a possibility. It is progressing, once costs are in it will come to Full Council. Another meeting with the Scouts is needed after which a meeting with other site users. The Chairman stressed that the car park extension is for other site users not an extension to the Village Hall car park area.

353. Queen Elizabeth II Status for Council sites – 2.6.13 deadline for applications – refer to Amenities March meeting. In the meantime the Clerk will circulate information to Members.

354. Annual Review of documents: A report had been circulated on Policies reviewed by Cllr G Willetts and the Clerk. Amendments were discussed and agreed as suggested. A Copy of the report appears with these Minutes in the Minute Book. Proposed by Cllr Mrs J House, seconded by Cllr C House, agreed unanimously.
RESOLVED: To adopt the amendments to policies as per the report submitted.

- 355. Assets of Community Value** – Min. 289 refers. Further information has been received from Mr N Farmer. Full report emailed to Members on 10.12.12. this was discussed. Concern was raised about the potential repercussions and compensation scheme. EDDC were taking a cautious approach. It was agreed to take no further action at this time.
- 356. Localisation of Council tax Support** – Letter from NALC Chairman asking for support, circulated to Members 30.11.12. Members discussed whether to write in support. Members agreed that the Clerk should submit the NALC draft on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 357. Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit process-** Members considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee 5.12.12 Min. 316, that the current internal audit process is effective. Members agreed to accept and endorse the recommendation. Proposed by Cllr G Willetts, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House. Agreed unanimously.
RESOLVED That the current internal audit process is effective
- 358. EDDC announcement of sale of EDDC building at Furzehill** - Evening Echo 16th January. It was noted that this was currently only a proposal, defer to next full Council meeting.
- 8.45pm Cllr J Crow apologised and left the meeting.
- 359. Progression of projects** – A number of projects are currently under consideration.
 Updating Office equipment: The Clerk will ask other Councils at the Finance meeting on Tuesday about the different account packages used and get an update on the proposal to remove the 2 signature rule. The working party has made progress and should be able to get a purchase proposal agreed before the end of March. Noticeboards: Cllr Goringe will look into the costs and requirements for refurbishment. Gym: The Clerk will put a report of different options to the March Finance meeting.
- 360. Power of Competence: Min 176 refers** – This was discussed. Some Members still had concerns that if adopting higher authorities could potentially insist on a financial contribution to other projects outside of the Parish. The Clerk explained that the power was to free up and simplify Council spending to allow the Council to do anything an individual could do. A number of Members still had concerns about potential demands on Council reserves if the Power was adopted. It was noted that the Power can be adopted at any time provided the Council still meets the eligibility criteria. Review again in April.
- 361. Parish Newsletter** – Deadline for articles 15th February 2013. Cllr Mrs J House will edit the document.
- 362. Trustee's and Discloseable Pecuniary Interests** - guidance from the Monitoring Officer re Trustees had been emailed to all Members.

The Clerk will also check the insurance cover for indemnity of Councillors.

363. Exchange of information:

1. Next meeting –27th February 2013 Full Council 7.00pm
2. Letter received from the Tennis Club asking about the possibility of taking over the area by the Bowls Club entrance for a Junior tennis court.
3. The Clerk reported issues with the recent work on the Tennis courts. This will be discussed at Finance.

The meeting closed at 9.18pm

Chairman