

**ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting of the Full Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting Held On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.05pm**  
**in the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards**

**Members Present:** Cllr M Dyer, Chairman

Cllr R Adkins

Cllr B Goringe

Cllr N Hindmarch

Cllr Mrs A Warman

Cllr R Bryan

Cllr M Hockley

Cllr R Warman

**Present:** Mrs A Jacobs Clerk

- 394. Members resolved to suspend standing order 3L following the amendment to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, dated 6<sup>th</sup> August 2014.** Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr R Adkins, agreed unanimously.
- 395. Apologies** were received and accepted from: Cllr J Crow; Cllr R Dudman and Cllr G Willetts who was attending an ETAG meeting at EDDC; Cllr Mrs J House and Cllr C House.
- 396. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:** None.
- 397. County Councillor:** Cllr Richardson had circulated a report prior to the meeting as he was unable to attend, a copy of which appears as Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book.
- 398. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015** including confidential Minute 367, pages 66-68 were adopted as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr R Bryan seconded by Cllr Mrs A Warman, agreed with all in favour with Cllr M Hockley abstaining.  
**RESOLVED: The Minutes of the full Council Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015 including confidential minute 367, were adopted.**
- 399. Matters arising from the Minutes:-**
1. Abbey Rose footpath – The Clerk has spoken to the Officer who advises that it is officially now under investigation and a decision should be made by the Summer.
  2. Emergency Plan – EDDC have confirmed receipt of corrections and will be issuing an amendment.
  3. Min. 358.5 fifty HRC consultations forms were received and despatched to DWP by recorded delivery.
  4. Min. 358.5 Response despatched to DCLG consultation re charging at HRC's – An acknowledgement of receipt has been received. Cllr Willetts asked to Clerk to circulate the ETAG response to the consultation to all Members. Cllr Dyer reported that the District Council had a Working Party looking into fly tipping in the District and he will endeavour to obtain a copy of the report for circulation to Members.
  5. Defibrillator – An approximate cost from RTC has been obtained of £1690+VAT this is to supply and install in a weatherproof cabinet. Clubs and organisations have been contacted and will be asking their groups if they are willing to contribute. Responses and Information should be available to discuss at the March full Council. SWAST has also been contacted for guidance. Cllr Mrs Warman had spoken to a resident who had suggested doing some fund raising events.
  6. Cllr Dyer asked if the Clerk could nominate Cllr R Adkins for the Queens Garden Party. There were no objections.
- 400. Minutes of the following Committee Meetings were noted and adopted:-**
1. Planning Committee held on:  
 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 Proposed by Cllr R Bryan, seconded by Cllr R Adkins, agreed by with Cllr s R Warman and Cllr M Hockley abstaining.  
 and 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr R Bryan, agreed by with Cllr R Warman and Cllr M Hockley abstaining.
- 401. Correspondence was noted:**
1. EDDC Agendas
  2. Nomination packs for Parish Councillors have been circulated
  3. DAPTC Circular 1/15
  4. DCC Highway Schemes – emailed
  5. Confirmation of boundary changes – emailed
  6. DAPTC Newsletter.
- 402. District Councillors' Update:**  
 Cllr Mrs Warman reported: The DWP financial issue was very serious. Arrangements for new accommodation were very slow. It had been agreed to increase Council Tax by 1.95%.

Cllr Dyer reported that DWP had a massive overspend mainly due to additional hiring of vehicles and additional staff. Currently they were in excess of £2m over budget. Three lots of consultants were looking into the issues. Funding for DWP comes from the various Partners. A recent satisfaction survey showed that 87% were happy with the service provided. This was discussed.

7.30pm Cllr Goringe arrived.

#### 403. Parish Councillors' Reports -

1. DAPTC – no meeting
2. Homewatch – no meeting. AGM 25<sup>th</sup> April which will be followed with a street part £5 per ticket.
3. ETAG – Cllr Willetts reported: The last meeting was held on the 28<sup>th</sup> January. Main issue was the HRC charging consultation. The Group is discussing its constitution and name to reflect the group more accurately. The group will no longer be funded by EDDC due to cutbacks and the group will be looking into asking Parishes and Towns to consider giving a grant. They no longer get any secretarial support and no expenses. Cllr Willetts asked the Council about possible funding, there was a general consensus that if other Parishes gave a grant this Council might be minded to. The Clerk will put on a subsequent agenda to discuss.
4. Youth Club update – Cllr Bryan reported on the meeting held on 24.02.15. Numbers were up and they were now running another group on Fridays. A regular attendance of around 8/9 children were attending. The Committee had agreed the maximum number would be 15 at a time. There was a lot of enthusiasm for the Club and they were considering taking a table at the VHMC Christmas event. Leaders from DCC attended the meeting and it was very positive. Cllr R Warman reported: DCC only pay for a leader on Mondays, Fridays is not funded at all so the whole structure is not covered by DCC insurance. Monday is a younger group but it is a feeder group for the older group. The Committee is looking at insurance but they have to be careful to treat the groups separately. A request for broadband access has been received and Cllr Adkins and Cllr Goringe will look into linking it in to the Parish Office system.

**404. Allotment Update:** A report had been circulated to Members and was noted. A copy of which appears as appendix B with these minutes in the Minute Book. Cllr Bryan reported on a meeting with the Landowners solicitor who had advised that there was no issue with access over the lane.

**405. Newsletter –** Members appointed Cllr R Adkins as Editor and approved the costs of the next newsletter of £350+VAT. The Clerk was asked to specify that delivery must take place and be complete before Purdah and ask for written confirmation when complete. Proposed by Cllr R Bryan, seconded by Cllr R Warman. Agreed unanimously.

**RESOLVED: Cllr Adkins was appointed Editor and the costs of printing and distribution of £350+VAT.**

The Clerk will ensure that the Distributor knows the importance of complying with Purdah and request that he confirms once distribution is complete.

**406. Navitus Bay –** Cllr R Bryan reported that he had attended a meeting with Mrs M Phipps from Hurn Council and it had been suggested that a Section 106 agreement needs to be signed as without it Enforcement will not have any powers. Currently other interested parties are waiting to see who else will sign but there will be some reservations made. Officers report that they believe that the Inspector will decide on the bigger scheme. Cllr Mrs Warman asked about the smaller scheme which she thought was further away and had less turbines? Cllr Dyer responded that the Officers felt that there was little difference between the two as the impact and costs of the smaller scheme were the same as the original one.

**407. Village Hall –** Minutes were awaited.

**408. Ashley Heath Halt Enhancement Works –** Cllr Willetts reported that the platform had been cleared and some repairs completed, work was well underway.

#### 409. Elections 2015 –

- i) The Clerk reported that changes meant that there could be no switching between Wards as no one would know who had applied or where until after the deadline. Anyone with more than one application in at the deadline would be disqualified from all. Proposers and seconders can only nominate once so ensure that they realise this. Forms must be handed in to EDDC not posted and Members will need to make an appointment to do so. Forms will not be accepted until the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015.
- ii) Members noted the deadline for submission of nomination forms was 4pm on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015
- iii) Members noted purdah begins 30.03.15

**410. Confidential item: It was resolved to exclude the press and public to discuss:**

- i) Additional car parking and JHQ compound work – To receive and consider the quotations for work and if minded to accept a quotation and appoint a Contractor.
- ii) To receive a verbal report from the Clerks Committee following the Clerk's appraisal.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Warman, seconded by Cllr B Goringe, agreed unanimously.

**See confidential Minute 410 of 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015 in the Confidential Minute Book.**

**411. Exchange of information:**

1. Next meeting 25th March 2015
2. Cllr Mrs A Warman asked for a general view on use of the patio for barbeques as the hall often get enquiries and the Clerk has put it to the Amenities meeting for discussion of adopting a policy to avoid taking up more Council time.
3. Cllr Hockley reported that the National Police Air Service have issued a statement advising that 15 to 16 bases will be closing Bournemouth is not included and will become a 24 hour service.
4. Cllr Bryan had recently attended a meeting on the A338. A slip road is to be installed on the Southbound side leading into a new quarry and a facility is needed to recycle the tarmac on the Northbound side. Matchams is being looked at. This will require 24 hour workings. A quieter surface is being installed.
5. Cllr Willetts announced that after serving 14 years he would not be standing again as a Parish Councillor in May. This was due to his extensive commitments with a major charity. Cllr Willetts thanked Members past and present and particularly thanked the Chairman and the Clerk. The Chairman thanked Cllr Willetts for his work and commitment and special interest shown in the Environment, his input into the Council would be missed. Cllr Willetts offered to continue to represent the Council as a volunteer or similar on the ETAG group. It was noted that this would be up to the newly elected Council in May. Cllr Willetts would not be present at the March meeting as he will be attending ETAG and asked if it could be discussed further at the April meeting. The Chairman thanked Cllr Willetts, EDDC need those with such commitment protecting the environment, the Parish was grateful for his efforts and would benefit from his experience. The Clerk will put on the April agenda.
6. Cllr Hindmarch read out a response from Wessex Water concerning the issues with Beech Lane. The response indicates that Wessex Water acknowledge that there is an issue. The Clerk will circulate to all Members. A survey is being undertaken, the results of which will be known in June.

**The meeting closed at 8.20pm**

**Chairman**