

**ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL**

Meeting of the Full Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018 at 7.06pm  
in the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr B Goringe Vice Chairman, Chairing

Cllr R Bryan

Cllr M Dyer

Cllr Mrs S Marshall

Cllr Mrs A Warman

Cllr A Davies

Cllr N Hindmarch

Cllr Mrs K Neale

Cllr R Warman

In attendance: Mrs A Jacobs, Clerk to Council

**Public Open Forum: None Present**

**County Councillors report** - Cllr R Bryan: Last April a £7.5m black hole was reported in funding this has been cut to £4m. The bulk of this is for children in care. There is a £2m slippage in adult social care due to a review of how matters are dealt with. Cllr Bryan is now on several membership Boards of various Trusts including hospitals in Dorset. Cllr Bryan confirmed that there were several new members of staff in Child care. It costs £540 a week per child in care in Dorset. Cllr Bryan is asking about building a children's home in Dorset. Helen Coombs is currently looking into accommodation provision in Dorset.

**222. Pecuniary Interests: None**

**223. Apologies:** Cllr R Adkins, working, Cllr J Crow ill health, Cllr Mrs J Carter, ill health.

**224. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 pages 38- 41** and confidential minute 201/2017 - These were discussed Minute 194 was amended as it was the Local Plan not the Green Belt review that Cllr Dyer referred to. Minute 202.2 the Memorial Garden was now complete. The amendments were agreed, unanimously, the amendments initialled and the Minutes subsequently agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Neale, seconded by Cllr R Bryan.

**RESOLVED: To adopt the Minutes pages 38-41 as amended, as a true and accurate record.**

**225. Matters arising from the Minutes**

- Cil – EDDC advised that Parish would like to keep their portion of the CIL

**226. Correspondence noted:**

1. EDDC Agendas
2. VHMC Minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – circulated by email to Members.
3. Reports of flytipping on Boundary Lane, Ashley Heath Roundabout; Ringwood Service Road all reported on D4U
4. Report of damage to crash barrier A338/Ashley Heath Roundabout – reported to DCC who advise that now on their schedule but no date as due to volume of traffic safety measurers required.
5. EDDC CAB thank you for grant received
6. Appeal The Glade – Inspector dismissed appeal and required site to be cleared by 20<sup>th</sup> January. If not cleared DCC will have to instigate legal proceedings.
7. DCC Public notice – new speed limit boundary lane – deadline of 26<sup>th</sup> January for public comments
8. DCC site investigation report on fatal accident 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017
9. Report of damaged pavement by construction of new development at 68, 69 and 97 Oaks Drive – reported. DCC advised charge placed against sale of new properties until pavement repaired.
10. Council Tax base for 2018/2019 is 3942
11. Greyfriars - Thank you received for grant. The article for the minibus went out in January edition of the directory.
12. The Clerk reported a computer issue over the new year due to a major Microsoft update.
13. Complaint concerning the condition of the trailway for mobility scooters addressed to Cllr Bryan forwarded to the Rangers.

**227. Horton Road – Moors Valley Crossing** – Members reviewed the decision of the County Council made in 2012 to decline the Parish request for a crossing outside of Moors Valley. The

reason given was due to insufficient volume of traffic. The Clerk reported that at the time over 32 people had petitioned the Council for a crossing. Subsequently traffic has appeared to increase and a recent meeting had been held with a number of parishes concerned about the volume of HGV's using the road. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr Martin of DCC and ask if there was any evidence supporting the perception of an increase in volume of traffic which might warrant a review of the previous refusal. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Warman. Motion carried by 4 in favour 3 against. Cllr Bryan abstained as he is a County Councillor.

**RESOLVED: The Clerk will write to Andrew Martin of Highways as directed.**

#### **228. Finance:**

i) Members reviewed and approved the schedule of payments for December and January proposed for approval by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr N Hindmarch. Agreed unanimously. A copy of the schedules appear as Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED To approve the schedule of payments for December and January.**

ii) Members reviewed and approved the bank reconciliations for end November and December proposed for approval by Cllr A Davies, seconded by Cllr R Bryan. Agreed unanimously. A copy of the reconciliations appear as Appendix with these Minutes in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED: To approve the bank reconciliations for end November and December.**

iii) Members received and noted the Budget vs Expenditure to date. A copy of which appears as Appendix C with these Minutes in the Minute Book.

iv) The clerk reported briefly on the meeting held with the new External Auditor.

#### **229. Parish Councillors' Reports -To receive reports from Parish Councillors including:-**

1. DAPTC – Cllr Hindmarch had not been able to attend at the last minute. It was noted that Cllr Dyer was the reserve in such circumstances. Cllr Davies also offered to attend in need. The Clerk will ask for a copy of meeting dates so that cover can be arranged.
2. Homewatch – Cllr Davies reported: There was a notable decline in numbers and if the present loss rate continues it is estimated that half of members will have left by 2024. West Moors report a similar decline and are considering closing down, most of their Committee are over 70 years of age. The Parish watch is looking at restructuring and at a better way of collecting subscriptions. The current Parish watch Chairman is looking to retire at the AGM in April, but there has been little interest in a replacement. Police report an issue with contactless car keys. There has been a rise in rogue traders especially during last Autumn. House burglaries are on the increase and scam calls are prevalent. PC Julian Humphries has retired and will not be replaced.
3. EDEP – Cllr Dyer reported. There had been no meeting but the Chairman had submitted an excellent objection to the Waste consultation.
4. Bournemouth Airport Forum – Cllr Davies and Cllr Hindmarch gave a short report. The Clerk was instructed to ask the Airport if they would be willing to send a speaker for the Annual Parish Assembly.
4. Burial Ground – Cllr Adkins was not present to update the Council.

**230. Local Government Reform Update** – Cllr Bryan reported that an announcement would not now be made until after the forthcoming Parliamentary recess, so it will be the end of March before we hear more. The County Council is now looking at two options, one being going ahead with the planned LGR and the alternative of remaining as things currently are. It is suggested that if the LGR proceeds the first two terms will be for 5 years and then they will return to a 4 yearly cycle.

#### **231. District Councillors' Update:**

Cllr R Bryan reported that the cabinet meeting on Tuesday will be looking at the revenue budget and reserves. Cllr Bryan has also received a copy of a planning application for the development of the Matchams Stadium.

Cllr Dyer reported that there has been a lot of planning applications received. Some will affect the Parish including an application for a new car dealership at the old Compton's yard. An application for the Furzehill District Council site, West Parley and the Cuthbury Allotment sites.

**232. Annual Parish Assembly Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018** – Members agreed that a sum of up to £75 as a donation to charity and to include travelling costs could be offered to the speaker. The Speaker could choose a charity of their choice. Proposed by Cllr R Bryan, seconded by Cllr Mrs K Neale. Agreed unanimously.

**RESOLVED: To authorise a payment of up to £75 for the speaker for the Annual Parish Assembly.**

**233. Amenities:**

- i) Dog Warden – The Clerk reported that the Warden had issued a FPN just prior to Christmas on the Braeside Road site for dog fouling.
- ii) Playground inspection report to note. Annual Inspection booked for March 2018 – The Clerk reported that the equipment was now coming up to 11 years old and was beginning to need more maintenance. It was noted that the Clerk carries out a weekly visual inspection, a monthly operational inspection is carried out by Elite Play Inspections and an independent company carries out a full annual inspection.

**234. Yellow lines request outside of 1 Oaks Drive if development proceeds** – Members received a request for yellow lines if the redevelopment of 1 Oaks Drive proceeds. This as discussed. Cllr Dyer reported that in the whole of Christchurch and Dorset there were only 15 people authorised to issue tickets. Following complaints a blitz on parking on yellow lines is to be carried out on Ferndown Industrial Estate. The Clerk will monitor the planning application for 1 Oaks Drive and bring the issue back to Council if the site proceeds. Cllr Dyer reported that there is a long waiting list and current applications will not be processed until around 2022.

**235. NALC Review of park Homes legislation** – copied to Cllr Bryan – Members discussed the consultation paper. The Clerk will respond that the consultation should be broadened to cover both holiday and residential park homes.

**236. Appointing a Parish Transport Representative** - The Parish Transport Representative would cover all aspects of transport. This was discussed. Cllr A Davies was nominated. Proposed by Cllr N Hindmarch, seconded by Cllr Mrs K Neale. Agreed unanimously.

**RESOLVED: Cllr A Davies was appointed as the Parish Transport Representative.**

**237. Exchange of information:**

1. Next meeting to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018
2. Cllr Davies asked about the caravan site at the end of the Airport runway, is this outside of our Parish? Cllr Bryan responded that it was and that Christchurch Council had fought against the application but the Inspectorate had overruled their decision and allowed the site.
3. The Clerk reported the resignation of Cllr Mrs B Waugh with immediate effect.

**Meeting closed at 8.10pm**

**Chairman**