

Southwick & Widley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Montgomery Room, D-Day Memorial Hall, Southwick on Tuesday 14th February, 2017 at 7:30pm

Present:

Southwick & Widley Ward:
Mr J Watson in the Chair
Mr A. Hinton
Maj. R. Horsman
Mr A. Richards
Mrs P. Stallard
Mrs J. Houghton
Mr G. Clark
Mr N. Cutler
North East Ward:
Mrs A. Ashby

Also present:

Reverend Simon Brocklehurst – Chaplain to Southwick and Boarhunt Parishes
District Councillor – Angela Clear
Flt Lt Tim Mayes – Southwick Park

In attendance:-

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.

17.001 Apologies for absence: PCSO B. Towler

17.002 The Minutes of the Previous Meeting: - Proposed Mr A. Richards, seconded Mr. A Hinton and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 10th January 2016 should be signed as a true and accurate record.

17.003 Matters Arising:

- i) Mr Watson asked that matters arising be raised at the appropriate point on the agenda.

17.004 Public Participation:

- i) County Councillor Stallard said that because of the Christmas New Year holiday period there was very little to report.
- ii) District Councillor Angela Clear said that Cllr Stephen Godfrey was standing down as leader of the District Councillor with effect from tomorrow and that he will be replaced by Cllr Caroline Horrill.

At yesterday's meeting of the West of Waterlooville Forum, approval was recommended for 296 dwellings to commence being built on phase 4 of the development.

Winchester City Council is still pursuing BT to provide fast internet connection throughout the Winchester area.

She said that Councillor Cutler is still very frustrated with the lack of action being taken by Winchester City Council's, Enforcement Division.

- iii) Mr Watson said that with regard to the shop; the previous tenant is serving out two months notice which will terminate in January 2017, so it should be re-opening in 6 to 8 weeks.
- iv) Maj. Horsman said that at Southwick Park they are still planning its closure and where the relevant parts will be re-housed. He stressed that it is still early days.

17.005 Community Safety: PCSO Barry Towler could not attend the meeting but sent in an incident report see Appendix A.

- i) Mr Clark raised the welfare of the horses on land belonging to the MOD who he reported have been left without access to water or shelter.

Maj. Horsman said that he would take the matter up with the owner of the horses.

- iii) Mrs Stallard said that her car had been broken into and that she had had property stolen. The thieves had used a frequency reader to read her key, and warned people to be vigilant.
- iv) Mr Clark reported that two mattresses had been fly-tipped on Crooked Lane.

17.006 Correspondence – All correspondence had been issued to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

17.007 Playing field matters: Nothing

17.008 Street Lighting Matters:

- i) Mrs Houghton reported that light number 22 is not working.
- ii) Mr Watson said that he will check with Colas when work will be commenced on Norton Road.
- iii) Mr Watson said he is investigating the cost of an additional light for the Drove.

17.009 Roads & Highway matters: Nothing

17.010 Planning Matters: – Nothing

17.011 Members Business:

- i) Mrs Houghton said that leaves on Church Walk are making it slippery and dangerous.
- ii) Mr Cutler said that he has asked Winchester City Council to identify independently the amount of Council Tax Paid by Southwick residents and West of Waterlooville residents.
- iii) Mr Cutler said that the vacancy of Chief Executive of Winchester City Council caused by the retirement of Simon Eden is now to be filled by the appointment of Laura Taylor.
- iv) Mrs Ashby said that the new nature reserve on the West of Waterlooville would benefit from refuse bins.

Mr Watson said he would speak to Grainger's Plc.

- v) Mr Watson asked Mr Cutler in his capacity as a District Councillor about the branches from trees encroaching on Church Walk

Mr Cutler said he would raise it with Winchester City Council.

- vi) Mr Watson said that he had been assisting the D-Day Memorial Hall Committee to formulate a tender to obtain quotations for replacing the windows in the D-Day Memorial Hall and in sourcing funding to finance the project. He believes that the programme will cost approximately £26,000.00 and he asked the Parish Council to provide a grant of at least £5,000.00.

Proposed Mr Watson seconded Mrs Stallard and unanimously agreed that the Parish Council should provide a grant of up to £6,500.00 and to consider giving a loan if other money is required over this amount.

17.12 Setting Precept for 2017/18

- i) West of Waterlooville temporary Community Centre: At last month's meeting Mr Watson had suggested the following model for a Community Association: that the building be sub-leased from the Parish Council and administered by a Community Association so that it is independently administered, this has the advantage of making it eligible to apply for grants etc. To achieve this he recommended that the Community Association Trustees consists of two members appointed from the West of Waterlooville Forum and two members appointed from Southwick & Widley Parish Council.

To cover the initial needs and expenditure, Mr Watson asked that the Parish Council allocates £5,000 in its next year's budget under the heading of New Projects for the West of Waterlooville.

The Clerk had received the following advice from the Parish Council's Internal Auditor: that because the Parish Council was financially liable for the centre it should have the majority of trustees to ensure that it retained the control over its actions, and that the Parish Council should pay all the bills for the new Centre so that it has the benefit of re-claiming VAT on all its purchases.

It was unanimously agreed that the advice of the Internal Auditor be adopted and that Mr Watson obtains a copy of Denmeads Community Centres Constitution to use as a template.

- ii) Proposed Mr Clark seconded Mr Hunter and unanimously agreed that the Precept for 2017/18 should be set at £19,635.00 which will result in no increase in resident's council tax.

17.013 Orders for Payment:

- i) Proposed Mr Hinton, seconded Maj. Horsman and unanimously agreed that the Parish Council should pay its bills:

Cheque List January 2017

Transaction	Cheque No	Creditors Name	Payment For	Nett	VAT	Gross
1124	001463	Society of Local Council	Membership Fees	78.00	0.00	78.00
1130	001465	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Mileage)	13.13	0.00	13.13
1129	001465	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses (Postage)	3.35	0.00	3.35
1128	001465	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses	5.48	1.10	6.58
1127	001465	Eddie Mason	Clerks Expenses	20.00	0.00	20.00
1126	001465	Eddie Mason	Clerks Salary	331.22	0.00	331.22
1131	001466	HM Revenue & Customs	Clerks Tax	82.60	0.00	82.60
1136	001467	Mr David Tyman (Litter Picker)	Play Equipment Inspection	8.25	0.00	8.25
1132	001467	Mr David Tyman (Litter Picker)	Litter Collection	66.00	0.00	66.00
1133	001468	Zurich Insurance	Administration	611.29	0.00	611.29
1134	001469	D-Day Memorial Hall - Hall Hire	Hire of Room	90.00	0.00	90.00
1135	001470	PC Garden Contracts	Grounds Maintenance	935.00	0.00	935.00
Totals Paid				2244.32	1.10	2245.42

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Date of the next meetings: 14^h February 2017



Police Incident Reports

December 2016 – January 2017

- 16/12/16** **Creech Walk. Burglary.** Home owner returned at 1530 hours to find a glass panel in the front door smashed. A garden ornament had been used to do this. A drawer in the bedroom was left open and a home-made jewellery box containing various items of jewellery had been taken. Exit as entry.
- 18/12/16** **B2177 from Portsdown Hill into Southwick Village.** Driving Complaint. Blue VW van with 2 young males driving at over 90mph. Driver using mobile phone.
- 23/12/16** **Castle Road. Driving Complaint.** Person/s complaining about cars driving at dangerous speeds with noise and no consideration for local children.
- 03/01/17** **B2177. Impairment.** Taxi seen swerving all over the road and mounting the pavement
- 06/01/17** **Castle Road. Impairment.** Driver stopped by police. Driver was driving under the influence. Arrested.

Compiled by PCSO 14916 Towler, 10/01/17.