

## Southwick & Widley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Montgomery Room, D-Day Memorial Hall, Southwick, on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at 8:00pm

#### Present:

Southwick & Widley Ward:

Mr. J. Watson in the Chair until 8:25am

Mr. A Hinton in the Chair from 8:25am

Mr. A. Richards

Mrs. J. Houghton

Mr. G. Clark

Mr. N. Cutler

#### North East Ward:

Mrs A. Ashby

#### Also present:

Lt. Col. John - Southwick Park

R.S.M. Beazley – Southwick Park

#### In attendance:-

Eddie Mason – Clerk to the Council.

Before the meeting commenced Lt. Col. John introduced himself as the newly appointed Commandant of Southwick Park.

**17.116 Apologies for absence:** Mrs P Stallard, Rev. S Brockenhurst, Flt. Lt T, Mayes, PCSO B. Towler and District Councillors: Angela Clear and Therese Evans.

**17.117 The Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** - Proposed Mr. G. Clark, seconded Mr. A. Richards and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 should be signed as a true and accurate record.

#### 17.118 Matters Arising:

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

#### 17.119 Planning Matters:

- i) Planning Application (Case No: 17/01937/FUL); the planning application to reduce the height of the west boundary wall and place railings around the new retaining wall at St. James Church, submitted by the Southwick Estate, was approved by Winchester City Council's Planning Committee, with the single condition that the railings have to be put up within three months of the approval date.

This will cause a great deal of frustration for both the council and the village because the overwhelming majority of the village had objected to the application, wanting to retain the existing low retaining wall, so as to leave open the view of the beautiful grade I listed Church.

Mr Watson said that the Council would continue to fight to get the decision changed and that he would invite a representative from Heritage England to attend a Council Meeting and explain why they had so strongly supported the application. Also he would write to Winchester City Council raising health and safety implications of having railings which could present a danger for young children.

- ii) Red Lion public House, High Street Southwick had put in application to have: 1 x single sided pictorial sign, 1 x menu case, 3 x flood lights, 1 x No. Entry sign, 5 x lanterns, 2 x sign written displays, and 1 x amenity sign.

Mr Cutler said that he would talk to the Estate and formulate the Council's response.

- iii) Mr Clark asked about the Application for a telecommunication mast in Priory Road.

Mr Cutler said that the application had been refused.

**17.120 Public Participation:** Nothing

**17.121 Community Safety:**

- i) Due to the success of the Community Safety surgery held in Wickham, The Meon Valley Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, Nigel Prior would like develop the idea and hold a regular surgery in Southwick.

The Council welcomed this and said that the community would feel reassured by it.

Mr Cutler said that he would make the necessary arrangements with Nigel.

- ii) Mr Cutler reported that there had been a successful prosecution for fly-tipping.

**17.122 Correspondence** – Most correspondence had been issued to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

- i) Email to Patricia Stallard about Belney Lane – the upcoming carriageway resurfacing in Belney Lane, Southwick. Due to recent poor weather, these works have been delayed and will now take place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and are expected to last for 1 day. In order to undertake the works safely it will be necessary to close the road between approximately 08:00-17:00hrs.

**17.123 Playing field matters:**

- i) Mr Clark presented his report. It was agreed that it should be discussed at the next Council Meeting.
- ii) Discussions continued as to whether or not there should be a new gate for the Playing Field.
- iii) Mr Richards said that the hedge cutting should have been done last Saturday, but our existing contractor is extremely busy and would prefer that the Council found an alternative contractor.

Mr Cutler suggested that the job be offered to Robert Bailey.

- iv) Mr Richards said that the base had been put down for the new bench and that the tree stump had been removed

**17.124 Street Lighting Matters:** Nothing

**17.125 Roads & Highway matters:** Nothing

**17.126 West of Waterlooville:**

- i) Mr Cutler gave a progress report on the creation of a shadow Council, and said that Winchester City Council has employed a full time officer dedicated to facilitate the introduction of the new Parish Council.

**17.127 Members Business:**

- i) Mr Richards asked about the racking that had been put up on the industrial site next to where he lives in Priory Road which is an eyesore and for which no planning application had been submitted.

Mr Cutler said that he would raise this with Enforcements.

- ii) Mrs Houghton asked if anyone new when the village post office would be opened.

Mr Cutler said that he would ask the shop owner and the Estate.

- i) Mr Richards reported that he had received several complaints about the noise emanating late at night, beyond the licensed time limit, from functions held in the D-Day Memorial Hall, particularly those held on a Sunday.

The Council unanimously agreed that this problem had gone on long enough and that the Chair be asked to discuss the nuisance with the D-Day Hall Committee and request them to provide a plan on how they are going to resolve the problem.

It was unanimously agreed that if the Hall Committee cannot come up with an acceptable solution then the Parish Council will make a complaint to the Licensing Authority and may withdraw the delegated power given to the D-Day Committee to allow the use of the Playing Field.

**17.128 Orders for Payment:**

- i) Proposed Mr Clark, seconded Mrs Houghton and unanimously agreed that the Parish Council should pay its bills:

**Cheque List October 2017**

| <b>Transaction</b> | <b>Cheque No</b> | <b>Creditors Name</b>           | <b>Payment For</b>        | <b>Nett</b>   | <b>VAT</b>   | <b>Gross</b>   |
|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1216               | 001516           | Eddie Mason                     | Clerks Expenses           | 20.00         | 0.00         | 20.00          |
| 1215               | 001516           | Eddie Mason                     | Clerks Expenses (Mileage) | 13.13         | 0.00         | 13.13          |
| 1214               | 001516           | Eddie Mason                     | Clerks Salary             | 331.02        | 0.00         | 331.02         |
| 1217               | 001517           | HM Revenue & Customs            | Clerks Tax                | 82.80         | 0.00         | 82.80          |
| 1218               | 001518           | Earth Anchors                   | Public Benches Repair     | 35.00         | 7.00         | 42.00          |
| 1219               | 001519           | D-Day Memorial Hall - Hall Hire | Hire of Room              | 90.00         | 0.00         | 90.00          |
| 1221               | 001520           | Mr David Tyman (Litter Picker)  | Play Equipment Inspection | 8.25          | 0.00         | 8.25           |
| 1220               | 001520           | Mr David Tyman (Litter Picker)  | Litter Collection         | 82.50         | 0.00         | 82.50          |
| 1223               | 001521           | G. M. Puttock Building          | Grounds Maintenance       | 115.00        | 23.00        | 138.00         |
| 1222               | 001521           | G. M. Puttock Building          | Grounds Maintenance       | 220.00        | 44.00        | 264.00         |
| <b>Totals Paid</b> |                  |                                 |                           | <b>997.70</b> | <b>74.00</b> | <b>1071.70</b> |

The meeting closed at 9:25 pm

Date of the next meetings: 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017