

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE PAVILION, WALBERTON, ON TUESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 2015 AT 7.00 P M

Present: Councillors Siragher (Chair), Camerer Cuss, Rogers, Strickland, Mrs Clark, Mrs Wallsgrove.

In attendance: County Councillor Whittington
District Councillor Dingemans
Mr R Humphrey – WSCC Engineer
8 members of the public

- 35315 Apologies for absence**
Apologies were recorded from Councillor Mrs Norton and Ms English
- 35415 Declarations of interests**
None
- 35525 Confirmation of the minutes**
The minutes of the meeting held on 28th July, 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 35615 Matters Arising**
There were no matters arising from the minutes for further discussion
- 35715 Report from West Sussex County Council**
County Councillor Whittington did not give a report as he believed he would be questioned in the public session.
- 35815 Report from Arun District Council**
District Councillor Dingemans presented the attached report

The meeting was adjourned at 7.05 pm for public questions.

Prior to the start of this session the Chairman read a letter received from Mrs. S Waights applauding the efforts of County Councillor Whittington and the Parish Council in bringing the cycle path to a successful conclusion. Mr & Mrs Curzons were unhappy with the path crossing the Green and what they perceived as a lack of consultation with the project. Some of their concerns had already been addressed at a meeting with Mr R Humphrey (WSCC) who with Councillor Whittington was able to give some additional input at the meeting. The Chairman suggested that Mr & Mrs Curzons put in writing to the Parish Council any issues that still concerned them and assured them that these would be answered. Mr A Harris spoke in support of the cycle path and thanked all those involved in the project. Mr K Perry reported that a Kissing Gate needed some maintenance work County Councillor Whittington said that if he was given full details he would ask the Rights of Way team to investigate.

The meeting was reconvened 7.30 pm

35915 Reports from Committee Chairs

Planning Committee

Councillor Camerer Cuss presented the minutes, which had already been circulated, of the Planning Committee meetings held on 4th August and 15th September

There were no questions

Finance Committee

Councillor Siragher presented the minutes, already circulated. of the Finance Committee meeting held on 8th September, 2015.

Advice had been received that the new bank account with NatWest was open and details were being mailed to the office. The Council resolved to close the accounts with Bank of Ireland and Santander as soon as the new account was up and running.

With the approval of the Solar Farm by Arun District Council the formal community benefit documents were being drawn up by Lightsource Ltd. It was resolved that Councillors Siragher and Mrs Clark would be the deed signatories on behalf of the Council.

There were no questions

General Purposes Committee

Councillor Mrs Clark presented the minutes, already circulated, of the G P Committee meetings held on 21st July 2015 and 18th August 2015.

There were no questions

36015 Reports from other Organisations

Joint Downland Area Committee

Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove advised that the bus shelter grant application had been refused but another possible source of funding had been identified. All PCSO's are now working out of Bognor Regis police station.

Walberton Task Force

Councillor Rogers presented the attached report received from Mr P Brown

Allotments

Report from Councillor Rogers attached

Parish News

Nothing to report

Village Hall

Report from Councillor Rogers attached.

In view of the reported incident with a lorry reversing on the playing field at speed the Clerk was instructed to write to the Manager of the Community Playcentre asking for a member of staff to accompany drivers making deliveries.

The Clerk will investigate the condition of the dead elder tree at the front of the hall.

Community Playcentre @ Walberton

Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove had been unable to attend the recent

meeting due to prior holiday arrangements. Mrs R Lapraik was present and able to report.

- a) Outside interests had donated a shed for storage of play equipment and had asked if they could display a sign on the shed. Then Council, had no objection to this.
- b) CP@W would like to have a location sign at the entrance to the car park. Before this can be discussed it was suggested that a project is presented to the Council showing the exact site for the sign, the proposed wording and size.
- c) Landscaping work on the outside area will start in October.
- d) CP@W have been given a key to the pavilion for use should an emergency arise.

Flood Task Force

Councillor Mrs Clark reported that Mrs S Sargeant is waiting to hear when the local works will be started.

Police Liaison

No report available.

The Clerk has registered a Walberton, Binsted and Fontwell Community Speedwatch Group and this will be discussed at the next General Purposes meeting.

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Neighbourhood Plan

1. Councillor Mrs Clark presented the attached report.
2. The Neighbourhood Plan Referendum – Guide for Local Ward Councillors was considered and agreed.

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Arun District Local Plan

Councillor Camerer Cuss asked if the Council should consider putting in a representation against the O.A.N evidence base before 5th November 2015. A decision will be made after the "Cluster" meeting on 8th October.

Some professional help may be needed if the Council is to fight any decisions that arise from the Fontwell South planning proposals and this will have to be taken into account when formulating next year's budget.

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New Councillors

No one has yet come forward. A printed insert will be included with next delivery of Neighbourhood News.

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2016 Villages Day

Councillor Mrs Clark reported that plans are for the 16th July to be a Fete with the Willie Austin band in the evening and on the 17th July there will be the big picnic and sports.

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Grants

Councillor Strickland gave an update. The Chairman suggested that at the moment we need to focus on the bus shelter and the phone box move.

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St Mary's PCC

The Church is seeking support from the Parish Council in its effort to extend the Churchyard as the space for burials is running out.

Councillors agreed to offer whatever help they can but this could not extend to financial help.

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Correspondence received

Mrs N Thompson had written complaining about the speed of traffic and offering her services with the Speedwatch campaign

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Other relevant business

1. Councillor Camerer Cuss will make a representation against the Local Plan OSAN on behalf of the Parish Council
2. Councillor Strickland reminded Councillors of the Hog Roast in aid of refugees which is being held on 10th October

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Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 24th November, 2015.

Signed..... Dated.....

Chairman of the Council

