MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF WALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE PAVILION ON 16th AUGUST, 2016

Present: Councillors Mrs Clark (Chair), Mrs Wallsgrove, Ms English, Mrs Parsons, Strickland, Moores.

In attendance:

30516 Apologies for absence

Apologies were recorded from Councillors Rogers and Mitchell

30616 Declarations of Interests

None made

30716 Confirmation of the minutes

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 5th July, 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

30816 Matters arising

There were no matters arising for consideration

30916 Sussex Police

- 1. Councillor Ms English had received a list of Parish Crimes (July 2015–June 2016) and this showed that there had been 25 incidents of a violent or sexual crime.
- Councillor Strickland reported that the Speedwatch team is on holiday in August. Speedcount has been started to ascertain the number of speeding vehicles in the Parish. Councillor Strickland has informed County Councillor Whittington of this action

31016 Pavilion maintenance

Outside Interests are ready to start installation of new windows and doors. In view of the fact that the refurbishment grant application is not being considered until October the Clerk was instructed to ask for a delay in installation until November. The balance of money due, less fitting costs, will be paid if agreement can be reached. Outside Interests will be asked to quote for the windows and doors not included in the original quotation.

31116 Walberton Task Force

- 1. There was no report available.
- 2. A list of regular maintenance tasks undertaken by Mr J Heathcote, submitted by Mr P Brown, was considered along with some additional tasks that have arisen. The tasks list issued to the current contractor, Mr R May, was also considered. The Chairman proposed that Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove and the Clerk meet with Mr May to review the list of works. Items to be added are Orchard Path and strimming around dog bins. The Clerk will send all Committee members a list of tasks.

31216 Fontwell Phone Box/defibrillator

1. The grant of £590.00 to purchase an additional safe has been received from the Sick Poor Fund. It was agreed that this should

- be a lockable safe and that the safe already delivered should be swapped for a lockable version.
- 2. The quotations from T Aldridge to install the safes were considered and approved:
 - a) To fit a defibrillator safe to the Village Hall complete with electrical connection £80.00
 - b) To fit a defibrillator safe in the Fontwell phone box without an electrical connection £40.00
- 3. It was suggested that a nominal sum of £5.00 should be paid to the Village Hall Committee for electricity used.

31316 Community Resilience

There was no report available

31416 Playing Field/Car Park

The request from the Cricket Club to undertake end of season maintenance on the cricket square was approved. If possible the materials should be delivered to the area behind the Red Cross hut by the store shed on the Friday before work commences.

31516 Play Area

- 1. The August inspection report was noted.
- 2. There was nothing to report on the proposed replacement seat but a request will be made in the Parish News
- 3. The ROSPA safety report had been circulated to all Committee members. The Clerk will pass to ALD Playgrounds the sections of the report that highlight where maintenance is needed.
- 4. The Clerk reported that one of the litter bins is in need of replacement. Resolved to purchase a new bin from Glasdon Ltd at a cost of £56.39 plus VAT and delivery.

31616 Village Pond/Green

- Councillor Mrs Clark reported that the seat donated by Mr W
 Langridge will be installed in the next few weeks. There is no news on
 the seat promised by Mr N Harvey.
- The Clerk was asked to follow up on the tree works with the owners of the field adjacent to the Green and also remind them if their obligations as riparian owners to keeping the ditch clear. The large oak tree needs some maintenance.
- 3. The Clerk will ask MH Kennedy to quote for keeping the path in the orchard mown.
- 4. The signs on the Green relating to the "Save Binsted" campaign need removing.

31716 Allotments

The quotation from MH Kennedy (£200.00) to clear the northern boundary of the allotment site was approved. The Clerk will authorise the work.

31816 Rights of Way

A letter of thanks will be sent to Mr R Stillwell for clearing the path from Blacksmiths Corner to Binsted Church

31916 Correspondence

Councillor Strickland has received permission for machinery to access, via Mr Wishart's land, the footpath from Blacksmith Corner.

32016 Other Business

- Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove reported that JDAC had provisionally approved a grant towards the churchyard extension. This money cannot be spent on the purchase but on enclosure and keeping rights of way open.
- Councillor Mrs Clark advised that there were now some issues with Arun District Council over possible S106 funding if the Dandara development in Fontwell is approved. The MUGA quote will be updated and quotations for the play area and floodlighting will be sought. The deadline to respond to ADC is 26th August 2016.

32116 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 10th October, 2016 at 6.30 pm in the Pavilion.

Committee Chairman