

FAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting of Fawley Parish Council held on Wednesday 25 January 2017 at 7pm in the Jubilee Hall, Fawley.

Present: Cllr B Coyston (In the Chair), Cllr A Glass (Vice-Chairman), Cllr R Wappet.

Also present: Cllr K Smith, 1 member of the public.

In attendance:

Sue Markides, Deputy Clerk

Jason Mansbridge, FPC Grounds Manager

1. Apologies: Apologies were sent by Cllrs A Alvey, B Hall, C Reece and B Spearing (personal). These were accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest and dispensations:

2.1 To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda. None

2.2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests.

None

2.3 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate. None

3. Minutes: RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2016 be signed as a correct record.

Suspension of standing orders

4. PUBLIC SESSION: The member of the public present did not wish to speak.

Standing orders reinstated

5. Chairman's Remarks: The Chairman reported that we have been belatedly advised of the death in May 2016 of Maureen Wills, a former FPC councillor she was the wife of Malcolm Wills, also a councillor for FPC for many years.

NFDC Officer Jamie Burrows has advised that the fly tipping incident that took place in October 2016 at the Manor, Holbury which was reported to them, is currently with the legal team to hopefully progress to a prosecution.

6. Planning: Resolved: To submit the following observation:

a) New Forest National Park Tree Works:

To consider commenting on TPO/0001/17

Land of vacant site 8A Hardley Industrial Estate, Hardley, Fawley, SO45 3ZH

Members agreed to **SUPPORT** the tree preservation order made by the NFNPA for Land of vacant site 8A Hardley Industrial Estate, Hardley, Fawley, SO45 3ZH.

7. To receive reports for the following:

a) Ashlett – Cllr Hall. Not present.

To also note that work will be undertaken by Exxon to repair the bank within their land ownership at Ashlett. Noted.

b) Play Areas– Cllr Coyston advised that he has not completed his inspection of play areas for January; the annual inspection by a registered play inspector is due in February 2017.

c) Footpaths – see attached Appendix A

d) Holbury Manor & Warren Copse – see attached Appendix A. Cllr Glass commented that the Conservation Group is doing a fantastic job and the pond is looking clear too.

e) Allotments – Cllr Coyston advised the annual inspection is due in the next few weeks and he will update after this has taken place.

f) Pentagon Copse – Cllr Coyston also advised that he hopes the removal of the back fence at the copse can be considered and has mentioned this to the Clerk.

To also note the removal of sycamore trees at Pentagon Copse has been agreed and progressed. Noted.

8. To receive a report from the Grounds Manager: Members thanked the Grounds Manager for the report. A comment made by a referee during a match at Newlands “best pitch in the league currently” was noted (see attached Appendix B).

9. To receive a verbal update from Cllr Reece on the Strategic Action Plan 16/19.

Cllr Reece was not present but the Deputy Clerk advised that it is now time to engage with the public on the Environment part of the plan. The member for the public present advised that he has not been contacted in regard to the progression of the Strategic Action Plan for the Community.

10. Tractor Purchase Recommendation: Members noted the comprehensive report provided by the Grounds Manager on the three tractors considered to meet specification requirements to replace the existing vehicle. The change in budget codes (from the report) to be used for the purchase of the tractor was also noted.

It was unanimously agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Policy, Resources & Personnel Committee the purchase of the John Deere 5075 (75HP) including a 3 year service and warranty plan, set of forks and extra wide tyres at a total price after part exchange of £35,745.59.

Costs to be met from the following budget codes:

£7500 budget code 3103 Earmarked Contingency Fund for Plant and Machinery

£15,959.59 budget code 9989 Renewal Contingency Fund

£5285.80 budget code Jubilee Hall Asphalt roof

£2000 budget code 7404 OS Eurotower Purchase new

£5000 included in 17/18 budget (temporary short term use from reserves agreed at Parish Council meeting 14 December 2016 with money reimbursed from 17/18 budget).

11. Meeting Resolution Updates: None

12. Councillor news and comments. None

Cllrs are reminded that this agenda item involves no more than an exchange of information.

13. Correspondence:

a) For response:

i) Police & Crime Commissioner: Invitation to Rural Communities Matter, February 2017 conferences.

Friday 10 Feb Sparsholt College

Saturday 11 Feb New Forest Outdoor Centre

Wednesday 15 Feb Riverside Centre, Newport

Friday 17 Feb Netley Police HQ

Thurs 23 Feb Gill Nethercott Centre, Whitchurch

All venues, 9am start, free to attend. Book online now www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/events
Noted.

b) Available from the Office: NFDC Forward Plan of Key Decisions 01 February 2017 to 31 May 2017. Noted.

Exclusion of public and press.

RESOLVED: That, considering the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public, including the press, be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

14. To receive a report on Staff Training. Noted.

15. Staffing matters. This agenda item was no longer required to be discussed.

16. Date of next meeting: 15 March 2017.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.21pm.

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Chairman