

Minutes of the Husborne Crawley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 in the Reading Room, Husborne Crawley which started at 8.00pm.

Present: Councillors N Buist - Vice Chairman, T Hopper, T Hunter, R Lyman, B O'Rourke, S Pearston & Lyn Lyman - The Clerk.

1297. **To accept Apologies:**

Apologies were received from: Cllr W Cuell & CB Cllr Wells.

1298. **Open Forum:**

*Residents will have the chance to raise anything relevant to Parish Council business but they will not be able to discuss the subject more than once. A maximum of 2 minutes per subject will be allowed:*

No issues raised

1299. **To agree Minutes of previous Meeting:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017 be signed as a true record of events.

The Clerk reported that she had invited PCSO Gill Richardson to attend a Parish Council meeting but unfortunately she has said, due to things changing, as of 1<sup>st</sup> November she would be covering a different area and PCSO Dan Cooper would be responsible for our area. At the recent Police Conference which Cllr Pearston and herself attended last week, Gill is still in our area at the moment and is trying to get cover so she could attend this evenings meeting but obviously she was not able to.

1300. **To consider Matters arising:**

1177 Some of the street lights are still out at the School Lane/Turnpike Road Junction. CB Cllr Wells said these were reported on 22/11/16 ref: 286925 and 286924. (5 lights - 3 round the roundabout and 2 more). Cllr Cuell stated that there are 4 street lights on Turnpike Road and only one works. There are no numbers on the columns but there is a very faded fault notice on one of them with the number 2067 on it. The one that works is the second one you pass if approaching The White Horse from Woburn. The Clerk followed this up during the Highways Liaison meeting. The Clerk had said at the side of the report numbers, it stated work to the lights was complete but in fact no work has been carried out. Highways are aware of this and have it in hand – it had been an error within their computer system.

1292d BT has confirmed that the payphone box on Horsepool Lane should be fully removed by September 2018 although an order had been raised to carry out work to improve the box. The hedges around the telephone box still haven't been cut back.

1301. **To accept Reports:**

**CB Cllr Wells:** No report.

**Speedwatch:** Cllr Pearston said that she is still urgently looking for volunteer.

There was an incident last time the team were out but a neighbours cctv gave all the necessary details and action is being taken by the Police.

The next session takes place next week.

**Fete:** Cllr Buist said that the debriefing meeting had taken place and ways of improving it even more next year are being discussed.

**Firework Evening:** The Clerk said it was an excellent evening. Thanks were extended to all who helped to make it such a good event and to Matt for allowing the event to be held at the White Horse.

1302. **To consider Correspondence / Planning:**

CBC will be holding the next Town & Parish Council Conference on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November at Chicksands starting at 6pm. The Clerk agreed to attend.

CBC has advised that they will be holding the Community Governance Consultation soon.

CBC has advised that the Household garden waste collection is to be suspended for the Winter. (From Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018. The Household Waste Recycling Centres will remain open.

B & MK Waterway News – November 2017.

The Clerk reported on a meeting which she had had with James Jordon on behalf of Highways England where quite a few issues were spoken about. It appears the issues are going to be addressed during the evening road closures over the next 8 weeks.

The Clerk had reported the damage which was caused last week to the Green when an HGV jack-knifed whilst endeavouring to turn round at the junction of School Lane/Bedford Road when Bedford Road was closed overnight. An accident also occurred in School Lane the next day also causing damage to the bank by the church. This has also been reported to Highways.

***Planning:***

CB/TCA/17/00429 1 Crawley Hall Barns. Reduce Holly Tree by 3m and cut back to boundary level. Remove overhanging branch of Ash Tree and reduce by 3 m. **No Objection**

CB/17/04487/Full 1 Crawley Hall Barns. Erect 2 sheds in back garden. To be sited on a gravel base. Shed sizes are 2.3m x 3.4m. **No Objection**

CB/17/05091/Full 37 Turnpike Road. Erection of garden building. **No Objection**

CB/ENC/16/0482 Enforcement Case: The Halt Garage, Crawley Crossing. Following an investigation, this case has now been closed because: The variation of Condition 1 regarding Landscaping has now been granted and the wheel cleaning details have been submitted. No further action is to be taken.

1303. **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):**

CB Cllr Robert Morris (Ward Cllr for Cranfield Ward) has organised some training GDPR training for Cranfield Ward and has invited Husborne Crawley PC to attend. This is to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> November at Marston Moretaine starting at 7.30pm. Cllrs Buist, Pearston and The Clerk agreed to attend. The Clerk has already attended some training which the SLCC arranged. Unfortunately the finer details of the regulations are still unknown.

1304. **Section 106 Funding:**

The Clerk confirmed the figure which the Parish Council have to spend: For Leisure/Recreation we have £9,111.91.

The Recreation Ground Working Group met again and made choices from Hand Made Places. A site meeting was held with a representative from Hand Made Places who passed on another brochure which has more suitable items in it so it was agreed to circulate the second brochure

before finalising choices. They also supply very good safety surfacing for which we have asked the price. The equipment is guaranteed for 10 years.

**Action: Rec Group**

Once the safety surface pricing has been received, the group will hold a further meeting to make final choices. We may install ourselves or in the long run, it may be more beneficial for the company to do it.

**Action: Rec Group**

The Clerk agreed to chase CBC to see if they are still in agreement about cutting the hedge down to the fence line.

**Action: LL**

1305. **Confidential Item:**

Anything discussed under this item, will be carried out in camera and any resident/public will be asked to leave. Subjects discussed will not appear in these minutes.

1306. **To accept Accounts:**

Balance at bank as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 was £12,390.44.

It was **RESOLVED** that the following invoices be paid.

Cancelled		000541
Newport Locks Lock/Chain for Rec gate	51.48	000542
Mrs Lyman Section 106 meeting	11.70	000543
Nick Burton Firework Evening Donation	100.00	000544
HMRC	75.20	000545
PAYE – September, October & November		
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary October	100.52	s/o
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary November	100.52	s/o
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1307. **To consider Budget / Precept:**

The Clerk circulated copies of the accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> October. She had estimated possible expenditure until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and possible budget figures which were discussed. The Clerk asked if anyone could think of unsuspected expenditure up until the end of the financial year.

We need to consider the cost of replacement safety surfacing on the Recreation Ground and any possible costs related to GDPR.

After discussion, it was considered there was likely to be enough in the carry forward balance not to need to increase the Precept.

It was proposed by Cllr Buist to request a precept of £5,649. This was seconded by Cllr Lyman with all in agreement.

**Action: LL**

1308. **Newsletter Copy:**

The Clerk requested any copy for the Newsletter to be sent to her as soon as possible please.

It is understood that the Reading Room Committee are going to produce a newsletter and it was wondered whether it would be worth combining with them.

1309. **Date of next meetings:**

15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 starting at 8pm, 19<sup>th</sup> March & Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May (Annuals).

The meeting closed at 20.50 pm.

Cllr N Buist – Vice Chairman,