

FROXFIELD & PRIVETT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Froxfield & Privett Parish Council held at Froxfield Village Hall on Thursday 9th May 2019

Present: Peter Doyle, Tim Passingham, Richard Moss, Howard Bevis, Phoebe Hiscock, David Rymer, Rob Shepherd and Chris Skinner. In attendance Cllr N Drew, the Clerk and 1 member of the public

1.1.19 Apologies for absence from Russell Oppenheimer

2.1.19 Co-option of Tim Passingham onto the Parish Council. Proposed by David Rhymer and seconded by Howard Bevis Tim Passingham was duly co-opted onto the Parish Council

3.1.19 Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman and signing the acceptance of office. Peter Doyle was proposed as chairman by David Rymer and seconded by Howard Bevis and was duly elected as chairman. Time Passingham was proposed by Peter Doyle and seconded by David Rymer and was duly elected as vice chairman. All signed the acceptance of office forms.

4.1.19 Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 11th April 2019 were approved

5.1.19 Matters Arising no matters arising

6.1.19 Declarations of Pecuniary Interests Cllr Shepherd declared an interest in 18(a).

7.1.19 Comments from the Public or Press No questions

8.1.19 Allocation of areas of responsibility for all Councillors a draft allocation was distributed for discussion at the next meeting.

9.1.19 Training for new councillors All new councillors were interested in attending training courses. The clerk will re-distribute the timetable from HALC.

10.1.19 Rocking Rockette Update and approve quotations if more than £300. Quotes had not yet been received.

11.1.19 S106 Funds available for Public Open Spaces It was agreed that this money should be spent on replacing the playground fencing and the repairs to the Rocket.

12.1.19 Playground Fencing Quotes would be sought for the repair work

13.1.19 Parish Council Notice Board repairs It was agreed to accept the quote of £210 to repair both notices boards.

14.1.19 Post Office Defibrillator Howard Bevis asked for the parishioner who has offered to buy the defibrillator to be contacted with a cost figure. Howard agreed that the defibrillator could be positioned on one of the post office wall. This time an unlocked cabinet would be purchased as CCTV covers the post office.

15.1.19 Finances All documents were distributed prior to the meeting

- a) Signing Year End Accounts 2018/19 the year end accounts were agreed and signed
- b) Signing Annual Governance Statement was agreed and signed
- c) Signing Annual Return was agreed and signed
- d) Agreeing and Signing Cheques all cheques were signed
- e) Subscription Fees It was agreed to continue with Hampshire Playing Fields subscription. Information on the benefits of subscribing to HALC would be distributed for discussion at the next meeting.

16.1.19 County Councillor's Report Cllr Oppenheimer was unable to attend.

17.1.19 District Councillor's Report

- a) Cllr Drew requested, following the election results, that he be contacted with concerns if people felt they were not being listened to.
- b) Further to the comments he has received regarding speeding throughout the parish. Cllr Drew suggested that traffic calming measures should be considered particularly on C18 between the Pub with No Name and High Cross Lane and in Privett. SpeedWatch organised by Steep PC has seen a drop in speeding of 50% and they have offered to share resources.
- c) He said that he felt there was a need and wish for affordable and or market housing of 1-3 bedrooms in High Cross and Privett centres and possible sites may be available. He went on to say "I don't normally agree to building on greenfield sites in the National Park, however, in this case I am supportive of 8-9 houses (specifically 1-3 bedroom and only in settlement centres in Privett and High Cross which are close to services) maximum in both or either villages due to the genuine need shared with me in the last two years and during the election. EHDC could offer to run a survey for the parish to validate this if useful and I believe SDNPA would be prepared to also review if it is clear there is high community support for this as was the case in Stroud."
- d) During the last year Cllr Drew had provided funding for the Cricket Club, the Drop-In Club, Privett Village Hall, Froxfield Village Hall, the Post Office, the Remembrance Wreath and the Rosemary Foundation.

18.1.19 Planning and Enforcement

- a) **SDNP/19/01708/TPO Woodside Manor Broadhanger Lane** T9 Beech - Crown raise over road to 6 metres. T10 Oak - Tip reduce lateral towards garage by 1 metre to suitable growth points. T11 Beech - Tip reduce lateral towards garage by 2 metres to suitable growth points, crown raise over road to 6 metres and remove limb at 6 metres agl with cavity. T15 Beech - Reduction on lateral spread by 2 - 3 metres to suitable growth points on garden side only. T17 Beech - Tip reduce by 1 metre selectively to suitable growth points on garden side only. T18 Sycamore - Crown raise over road to 6 metres. T19 Oak - Reduce height on scaffold by 2 metres due to historic wounding at 8 metres. T20 Beech - Reduce height on various uprights due to decay and crown raise over road to 6 metres. T30 Oak - Remove dead top to leave 4 metre trunk. T31 Beech - Reduce lower laterals by 3 metres to suitable growth points. T34 Beech - Reduce lower laterals by 3 metres and remove crossing branches. T36 Oak - Remove central decayed scaffold and monitor due to showing signs of decline. T41 Beech - Crown raise over road to 6 metres.

No objection

- b) **SDNP/19/02036/HOUS Church Farm Privett | Single storey orangery.** This application seeks minor amendments to the previously approved permission SDNP/18/03757/FUL **No objection** - As there was insufficient information on the amendments to make an informed decision, a comment would be made to that effect.

19.1.19 Lengthsman's work schedule Verge cutting at junctions will be a priority and a full schedule will be produced once a councillor has agreed to act as co-ordinator.