



# Whiteparish Parish Council

**MINUTES** of the meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

**Present:** Cllr King (Chairman) and Cllrs Hayday, Herrett, Sutherland, Bell and McFarland.

**In attendance:** Mrs Maria Pennington, Parish Clerk. Unitary Cllr Richard Britton.

There were two members of the public present.

## **Public questions**

There were two members of the public present. One member of the public advised they were here about the grant award to the PCC.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.31pm

## **Apologies**

**1/19** Prior to the meeting apologies were received from Cllr Francis due to illness and Cllrs Palmer and Randall due to prior commitments. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to note the absences for the reasons given.

## **Declaration of Interests**

**2/19** Cllr King declared a personal interest in agenda item 13. To approve erection of new noticeboard as one of the companies asked to quote is owned by his son.

## **To receive written applications for the office of parish councillor and co-opt three candidates to fill the existing vacancies**

**3/19** One name was proposed, Mrs Carol McFarland. Mrs McFarland introduced herself to the Parish Council. Cllr King proposed Mrs McFarland to be co-opted as a member of the Parish Council. Cllr Hayday seconded. All in favour. The Declaration of Office was signed by Mrs McFarland and the Clerk.

## **Acceptance of minutes of meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

**4/19** Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and they were signed by the Chairman.

## **To consider a response to planning applications received:**

**5/19 18/11683/FUL Woodpeckers** Brickworth Road Whiteparish SP5 2QG. Change of use of existing stable building to holiday accommodation.

Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED, with one abstention from Cllr Hayday, to recommend refusal as follows:

- In effect it is creating a new dwelling in the countryside
- The Parish Council believes it would be very hard to enforce as a holiday let
- It conflicts with the principles of sustainability
- It does not meet the criteria of being associated with a particular attraction

### **Skatepark update**

**6/19, 297/18** The Clerk reported the Opening Ceremony went well despite the torrential rain. Salisbury Journal also attended.

**7/19** The Clerk reported that £2,500.00 of the final invoice from Gravity has been retained until Gravity return to rectify the pooling near the quarter pipe. This is additional to the £2,500.00 retention for the first year.

**8/19, 295/18, 273/18, 241/18, 226/18** The Clerk continues to pursue WMRL for the CTP refund.

### **Finance update**

**9/19** The Clerk reported that there is an outstanding VAT repayment from HMRC for £20,191.58.

### **To approve application from PCC for financial assistance with grass cutting of the churchyard**

**10/19** Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to contribute £1,197.50 towards payment of the annual cost of the grass cutting in the Churchyard.

### **To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances**

**11/19** Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £2,203.60. It was noted other payments listed had been authorised by previous Parish Council decisions.

- Community Account Balance 08.01.19 - £19,030.72
- Business Reserve 08.01.19 - £51,931.38
- Conservation 08.01.19 - £185.59

### **To approve transferring £10k from the Current account to the Savings account**

**12/19** Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve transferring £10,000.00 from the Current account to the Savings account after the VAT repayment for £20,191.58 has been received.

### **To approve closure of the Conservation account and transfer the balance to the Savings account**

**13/19** The Chairman reported that the internal auditor recommended to close the Conservation account as it had not been used for many years. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve closure of the Conservation account and transfer the balance to the Savings account.

### **Noticeboard update**

**14/19** The Chairman reported that the noticeboard had been knocked off the wall and damaged by Scottish & Southern Electricity contractors when they were working in the area. The contractors have admitted liability and are paying the costs for a new noticeboard and its erection.

### **To approve erection of new noticeboard**

**15/19** The Chairman advised that one quote has been received to date with another to follow shortly. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to delegate the instruction of the erection of the new noticeboard to the Clerk as the board should be arriving imminently.

### **Re-appointment of Mr Chesney Carpenter to Whiteparish Charities**

**16/19** The Chairman advised that according to the constitution of Whiteparish Charities the Parish Council has to appoint 3 trustees to the Charity, however they do not have to be Parish Councillors. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to re-appoint Mr Chesney Carpenter to Whiteparish Charities.

**To discuss the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting**

**17/19** A discussion took place and it was agreed for the Clerk to invite Chairs of various groups within the village to the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

**To consider renewal of flower tubs and continued planting and maintenance for 2019**

**18/19** The Clerk reported that the quote is £75.00 + VAT. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to continue with the planting for 2019.

**To consider painting the village benches for 2019**

**19/19** The Clerk reported that the five benches throughout the village were last painted in 2015. It was agreed for the Clerk to obtain three quotes for consideration.

**Rights of Way/Commons update**

**20/19** It was reported that ROW 1 continues to be obstructed. Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council.

**Highways update**

**21/19** The Clerk advised the Parish Steward is due in the village on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

**22/19** The Clerk reported that Wiltshire Council has made an Order to close Moor Lane from 11<sup>th</sup> February and it is anticipated that the closure will be required until 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019. This is to enable Southern Gas Network to install a new gas main.

**23/19** Cllr Hayday reported the 30-speed sign has been swivelled around again at the entrance to Newton Lane.

**24/19** It was agreed to contact the Surgery again regarding the pothole at the entrance to the car park.

**25/19 Reports from representatives:**

**School**

No report.

**Memorial Trust**

Cllr Hayday updated on the Memorial Trust.

**New Forest National Park**

No report.

**Whiteparish Education Foundation**

The Chairman advised there has been no meeting.

**Youth**

No report.

**Area Board**

The next Area Board is at Whiteparish Memorial Centre on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. Cllr Hayday will be presenting on the SID and Cllr King will be presenting about the skatepark.

8.35pm Unitary Cllr Britton arrive.

**Correspondence/communications update**

**26/19** The Clerk updated on correspondence received.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.48pm.