

Pevensey Parish Council

The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday 6th February 2018 at St. Wilfrid's Church Hall, Pevensey Bay

Present Councillors Hills (Chair), Rabbitts, Withey, Pursglove and Lowton

Apologies: None

Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting were duly signed

Matters Arising:

Sea Road Car Park

Two further posts have been damaged. Cllr Beaney from outside the meeting advised that there were a number of very bad potholes and also the entrance to the one hour car park is seriously damaged and rutted.

Up date on recruitment of Clerk

Cllr Lowton advised that an advert seeking a replacement has been placed on the Society of Local Clerks website and responses were awaited.

Vehicles of Yesteryear

The Clerk advised that due to sporadic ill health Rob Bousell felt unable to run the event this year. After a Facebook entry some volunteers have come forward and Cllr Pursglove will arrange a meeting to allocate responsibilities. Cllr Pursglove ran it for some years at its outset. The event will be held on 7th April 2018. The Clerk will write to Mr Bousell with thanks and will also contact Mason Bryant to see if they will continue the sponsorship.

Information Day.

Cllr Hills felt that it would be useful to distribute leaflets at the event on 28th April asking parishioners what they would want for the Parish. Cllr MacKinnon, from outside the meeting, advised that they have had the wish lists and felt that we should be able to point out that certain issues have already been addressed rather than get a whole new "wish list". Cllr Lowton advised that by that time they may have distilled the wish lists - and if for example there were 12 likely projects there would be an opportunity to ask residents which would be their preferred 5. Cllr MacKinnon also asked if there would be merit in having businesses listed in

the hall. The Clerk felt that this was a matter to be discussed by full Council but Cllr MacKinnon felt that there would be constraints in timescales if we wait until March 6th.

Wish List

Not discussed as previously decided.

Water Supply for Dukelands

Our Land Agent had indicated that he did not feel that the introduction of a water supply would have any material effect on the level of rental apart from keeping it at the current figure. He still feels that it is not right to be renting grazing land without a water supply. Cllr Withey felt that in previous years Bill Gut had been able to provide sufficient water and maybe this was another concern to raise with IDB.

It was proposed Cllr Pursglove, seconded Cllr Slater that we proceed with the initial survey, This was carried 4/1 with Cllr Hills dissenting.

Accounts for Payment

Proposed Cllr Pursglove seconded Cllr Lowton that the figures be accepted as presented. All in favour apart from Cllr Hills who abstained as an interested party. The figures are included as an integral part of the Minutes. 4/1

Ethel Wood Community Centre

A fence damaged by the December storm has now been repaired.

Parish Maintenance

Nothing to report

Matters referred from Committees

None

Matters referred from Council

None

Correspondence

Training day set for 10th April 6 pm to 9pm at Polegate Town Council Offices This

is for new Councillors. Cllr Garrard expressed an interest. We may have time to obtain places for hopefully our two new Councillors after the March meeting. Cllr Lowton advised that at the beginning of the new "term" he intends, as Chair, to introduce a training programme. The Clerk reported that the question of Clerks as the Data Protection Controller is still current but there seems to be a counter-argument that Clerks can take the position. As this isn't even passed in Parliament yet it is a question of continue to watch this space.

There is to be a Great Wealden Litter Pick and it was generally agreed that Sunday 4th March would be a suitable date. The Clerk will arrange to pick up the equipment and bags as previously and will place an article on Facebook.

Date of Next Meeting

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