

SOBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Soberton Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th JULY 2017 at 7.30pm in ROOKESBURY HALL, NEWTOWN preceded by a visit to Council property at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Mr J Hyland (Chairman); Mrs V Weston; Mr B Henderson, Mrs J Masterman., Mr R Stranks, Mrs D Thomas;

In attendance: Mr N Chapman (Clerk);

77/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Were received from – Mr T Pickford, Mr G Smart. Mrs A Turner, Mr D Salmon District Councillor Frank Pearson

78/17 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 20th JUNE 2017.

The Minutes of the last meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

79/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

none

80/17 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

The Chairman reminded members of the need for the sum of £58/£60K required to be raised in order to support the Biffa grant towards the purchase of the Water Meadows by the Hampshire Wildlife Trust. £40K had already been raised by public subscription. The project should be finalised by the end of September. The Chairman thanks Mr Nigel Johnson for his enthusiasm for this project. It was agreed that a public meeting be arranged on Tuesday 19th September at 7.00pm prior to the next Council meeting. It is anticipated that cover from the Wildlife Trust would come from wardens at Farlington Marshes. Comment was made about other grant possibilities "Leader grant", Small grants scheme.

81/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS: **APPLICATIONS:**

Mr T Pickford reported on the recent applications – non required comment from the Parish Council

DECISIONS

Enforcements & Appeals: DC = District Council

82/17 OPEN SPACES

Pavilion -

Members had just inspected the Pavilion – it is good order and the fitted kitchen looks good. Our thanks to be communication to Shaun Hopkins There is about to be an issue concerning the cleaning of the Pavilion. Our current cleaner is to take a new direction in his career and he will after the end of August not be available for cleaning – Clerk to pursue details of a replacement.

Children's Play Area –

Mr Henderson reported that the new equipment should be installed shortly although he was still waiting for an update from the manufacturer.

Members on their visit early today expressed concern at the speed a vehicles driving past the play area. Members considered that speed bumps should be installed.

; and appropriate signs (PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY) installed indicating the speed bumps. Our Insurers to be notified when and if bumps are installed.

Recreation Ground -

Members viewed the Recreation Ground and considered it was in good order.

Skate Park –

Nothing to report

Chalk Pit – .

Nothing to report

82/17 Roads & Transport

High Street bank is in need of cutting and removal of the waste. Paul Collins has been asked to undertake this work – Mr Henderson will remind of the urgent need.

Lengthsman – Nothing to report

Flood Action Group

Nothing to report

Footpaths –

Nothing to report

83/17 FINANCE

Proposed Mrs J Masterman seconded Mrs D Thomas that the following accounts are paid:

Clerk's salary SO, Administration £119.23; DSA Property Services – £37.00; Paul Collins Recreation Ground £500.00; SEB Pavilion Electricity £44.68; Digital Terrain Surveys LLP Long Road Survey £690.00

Finance update: C/A £49,708.05

Audit papers have been sent to the Auditors.

84/17 VDS PROGRESS

Mrs Weston to deal with finalising the report

85/17 REPORT FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

District Councillor Vicki Weston commented on the following matters: Winchester Bus Station work has started.91% satisfaction recent in poll of tenants; WDALC meeting with Winchester staff; Village of the year competition. And My Council App

86/17 CORRESPONDENCE

On circulation – or emailed

87/17 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

Flood Action Group, Outdoor Gym

88/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19th SEPTEBER 2017 at 7.30pm in SOBERTON VILLAGE HALL

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2110 hours.