

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Liss Parish Council took place at 7.30pm on 16th January 2017.

Members

*Mr K Budden (Chairman), *Mr D Dodds, *Mrs S Halstead, *Mr R Hargreaves, Mrs Y Heaton, *Mr D Jerrard, Mr H Linsley, *Mr F MacNamara, *Mrs L McDonald, *Mr B Mayo, *Mr A Smith & *Ms A Wright.

* Present

Clerk: D. Bowery.

In attendance: County Councillor Mr V Clarke, District Councillor Mr M Kendall, one member of the public & one member of the press.

The Chairman made the necessary health and safety announcements.

01/17 Apologies

Members accepted apologies from Councillor Linsley & District Councillor Mrs L Pienaar.

Absent with no apologies: Councillor Heaton.

02/17 Declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interests.

03/17 Chairman's announcements

- The Chairman announced that EHDC's Community Forum meeting on 24th January would be receiving presentations from LP on the Neighbourhood Plan & the Pavilion Development projects. He encouraged Members to attend.
- The EHDC planning committee meeting that was to have been on 12th January had been deferred until 2nd February & the planning application for land adjoining Edgewood Court would be an agenda item.
- Liss Community Centre Film Festival would be held from 23rd to 26th February.

04/17 Reports from District Councillors

District Councillor Mr Mike Kendall reported on the following items:

- Flood Action Group - The proposed risk assessment survey had been confirmed by HCC & the EA as being a valuable measure & subsequently District Councillor grant applications had been received by EHDC. The next step would be the commissioning of the study. Copies of the Liss Flood Protection Strategy had been lodged & accepted by HCC. (copies had been supplied to LPC Councillors).
- Other emergencies - Any information on other emergencies, such as avian flu, would be passed to the Parish Clerk for dissemination.
- EHDC Community Forum - As mentioned by the Chairman, this would be held on 24th January & as well as the Liss items there would be a presentation on the Petersfield Museum expansion project.
- Community Grants - Cllr Kendall informed the meeting that the last date for 2016/17 applications was in early March. He was aware of possible applications to come from LPC, LAFC, Petersfield Counselling & Liss Cricket Club.
- Leader Grants for Rural Businesses - Cllr Kendall had circulated details of the LPC members.
- TAG Farnborough - There was no further information at this point; there were to be further information sessions in London on 6th, 8th & 17th February.

A report from District Councillor Mrs L Pienaar had been circulated. Items included grant applications & training on the Government's Prevent Strategy.

The Chairman, speaking as a District Councillor had nothing to add. He informed the meeting that the British Red Cross emergency app provided much useful information.

05/17 Minutes of the meeting of December 2016

The minutes of the Council meeting of 19th December, proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Hargreaves, were agreed unanimously as a correct record.

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting of 19th December be accepted as a correct record.

06/17 Matters Arising

- Vandalism

Cllr Dodds requested an update on the incident of vandalism to the village Christmas tree lights on 3rd December. The Clerk replied that he had received no feedback from the police but had asked Cllr Linsley to raise the issue at the CTCG meeting on 11th January. After discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact the local police Sergeant to press for an urgent follow up to the incident.

- Min 170/16 – The Lych gate at Old School Road:

The Chairman suggested that Cllr Linsley's motion be further deferred as Taylor Wimpey (Laing Homes) were conducting a search of ownership titles & a final response was awaited. Members agreed.

- Pavilion Development project

Cllr Mayo said that there was nothing to add to the report given at December Council. The next Committee meeting was on 23rd January 2017.

07/17 Clerk's Report (attached)

The Clerk's report was discussed & the Clerk responded to questions raised.

The contents of the report, proposed by Cllr Wright & seconded by Cllr Dodds, were approved unanimously.

Resolved:

- That payments & receipts detailed in the Clerk's report be approved.
- That LPC would invite EHDC parking officers to meet with LPC to discuss their proposals for parking restrictions in Liss car parks. This meeting to be held as soon as possible to enable a meeting with the EHDC portfolio holder before the EHDC Cabinet meeting on 9th February.

08/17 Reports of Committees

- Planning Committee

Resolved: The draft minutes of the Planning Committee of 9th January be noted.

Cllr Halstead reviewed the minutes & asked that a group be formed to compile a list of Liss projects for CIL. Members agreed to this proposal it was agreed that the group be comprised of two District Councillors, two Parish Councillor, Mrs Effenberg of the VDG & Mrs Porton. The meetings of the group would be clerked by LPC staff.

There was a discussion on the principles of Developers' Contributions & CIL & the Clerk was asked to contact the responsible officer at EHDC to obtain an up to date list of the various funds attributable to Liss.

At this point County Councillor Mr Vaughan Clarke & one member of the public joined the meeting.

09/17 Report from County Councillor

County Councillor Mr V Clarke reported that Government changes in the Local Gov. Finance Settlement would result in a £37m reduction for 17/18 & the grant would end entirely by 19/20.

A new social care grant of £4.8m will be paid in 17/18 & HCC could also levy an increase of 3% on Council Tax to help fund Adult Social Care; this would yield £16.6m.

An additional £7.8m was available to extend broadband coverage to 97.4% of the county by 2019.

Hampshire was an increasingly popular site for film locations & last year this created a £2m income.

£600m was to be invested over the next 5 years in preventative measures to reduce the numbers being admitted to hospital. The recent Brexit vote had caused the availability of overseas recruitment, particularly from Portugal.

10/17 Matters of Concern

Cllr MacDonald reported that she had attended a Community First event at the Triangle that had been poorly supported. She said that Community First would be organising a re-run of the event & were hoping for an improved uptake.

11/17 Reports from outside bodies

Cllr Smith had attended a meeting of trustees of the Crossover Youth Centre on 3rd January. Trustees were undergoing safeguarding training.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.22hrs

Next meeting: Monday 20th February 2017 19.30hrs