

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Liss Parish Council took place at 7.30pm on 18th April 2017.

Members

*Mr K Budden (Chairman), *Mr D Dodds, *Mrs S Halstead, *Mr R Hargreaves, 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: No members of the public or press.

The Chairman made the necessary health and safety announcements.

47/17 Apologies

Members accepted apologies from Councillor MacNamara & District Councillors Mr M Kendall & Mrs L Pienaar & County Councillor Mr V Clarke.

48/17 Declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interests.

49/17 Chairman's announcements

- The Chairman requested Members to indicate their preferences for appointment to committees at the annual Council meeting in May. The Clerk would circulate a list of committees & existing membership.
- The Village Voice was now complete & going to the printers on 24th April.
- The Spirit of Music Festival would be held from 28th April for one week.

50/17 Reports from District Councillors

In the absence of District Cllrs Kendall & Pienaar the Chairman gave the report on EHDC.

- EHDC had signed a contract with a new leisure service provider & this would include the redevelopment of Alton & Bordon Sports Centres & the refurbishment of the Taro Leisure Centre.
- EHDC were changing the Butserfest arrangements for 2017; it would now be held as a part of the Victorious festival in Portsmouth with its own special stage.
- EHDC had given six months notice of cancellation of the agreement with East Hants CAB; this meant that only 50% of this year's grant would be paid. This was as a result of the CAB's failure to provide regular reports giving a breakdown of client numbers in specific categories, as required by the service level agreement.

Members discussed this development & Cllr Halstead proposed that LPC send a letter expressing concern that any future service provider should be able to supply the whole range of services that the CAB did. Members agreed with this proposal.

- The application for registration of the Temple Inn as a community asset had been submitted & there was now an eight week period of consultation.

51/17 Minutes of the meeting of 20th March 2017

The minutes of the Council meeting of 20th March, proposed by Cllr Mayo and seconded by Cllr Linsley, were agreed unanimously as a correct record.

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting of 20th March be accepted as a correct record.

52/17 Matters Arising

- Min 170/16 – The Lych gate at Old School Road: The Clerk reported that no further communication had been received from Taylor Wimpey. The Chairman agreed to write & express concern.

53/17 Clerk's Report (attached)

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

The schedule of bank payments, proposed by Cllr Mayo & seconded by Cllr Hargreaves, was approved unanimously.

The schedule of bank receipts, proposed by Cllr Smith & seconded by Cllr Halstead, was approved unanimously.

The schedule of petty cash payments, proposed by Cllr Wright & seconded by Cllr Linsley, was approved unanimously.

Resolved:

- That all payments & receipts detailed in the Clerk's report be approved.

The Schedule of correspondence was discussed & it was agreed that:

The Chairman would prepare a response to the CAA consultation on air space changes.

54/17 Reports of Committees

Planning Committee

Resolved: The draft minutes of the Planning Committee of 4th April be noted.

Cllr Halstead confirmed that EHDC's enforcement team were chasing up the landscaping requirements for the Smith's garage site.

Review Group for Standing Orders, Procedures & agreements with outside bodies

Resolved: The draft minutes of the Review Group of 10th April be noted, in particular that the Review Committee had adopted revised policies on Dignity at Work, Bullying and Harassment, Equal Opportunities and Grants, in line with the revised Review Committee Terms of Reference (Minute 172/16). A redrafted Social Media Policy would be considered at the next meeting of the Review Committee. In discussion, it was agreed that the Dignity at Work, Bullying and Harassment Policy should be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Liss Pavilion Development Committee

Resolved: The draft minutes of the Liss Pavilion Development of 12th April be noted.

Cllr Mayo reviewed the minutes & explained the most recent developments.

55/17 Motion proposed by Cllr Dodds

“That Liss Parish Council resolves to apply to EHDC & South Downs National park for the release of £21000 of developers' contribution funds & to Hampshire Playing Fields Association for a grant of £2000 to be used the funding of the replacement & expansion of play equipment facilities at Newman Collard Playing Fields.”

The Motion was seconded by Cllr Mayo.

Cllr Halstead declared a prejudicial interest & took no part in the discussion or decision.

Cllr Dodds explained the project to Members who then voted on the motion.

Resolved: That Motion was approved on a vote of nine in favour with one abstention.

56/17 Matters of Concern – There were no matters raised.

Cllr McDonald asked if LPC had any disaster recovery procedure for business continuity. After discussion it was agreed to refer this to the Review Group

57/17 Reports from outside bodies

Cllr McDonald had attended the HALC annual conference, a Healthy Lifestyles event & a basic planning training event at HALC.

Cllr Linsley had attended a meeting of Coryton Alms Houses Trust where Mr Kendall had been elected as chairman.

Cllr Halstead had attended a Liss Christmas fair meeting organised by the Triangle. The likely date for the event was 6th December. It was hoped to get more village traders involved.

The Chairman had attended the HALC annual conference as well as a meeting of the East Hants Rail Partnership.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10 hrs

Next meeting: Monday 15th May 2017 19.30hrs