

SOUTHBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held at St John's Church Centre on Tuesday 10th April 2012.

Present: Mr C Bulbeck, Mrs M Bulbeck, Mrs S Cecil, Mr T Cunningham, Mr M Everson, Mr A Feltham, Mr R Hayes, Mrs M Hemmings, Mr J Jennings, Dr P MacDougall.
District Cllr B Finch, District Cllr G Hicks.
Two members of public.

Apologies: Mrs L Leader, Mr R Rolfe.

Police Report

Before the start of the formal council meeting PCSO Jason Lemm gave a report on Police matters affecting the parish.

Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interests by Members

282. None.

Minutes

283. It was resolved the minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2012 be approved as a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

284. Min 261. District Cllr R Hayes commented the County Council was cutting its budget for social services drastically but the District Council was taking very seriously funding for vulnerable people and keeping expenditure for the next year at the same level. The Council agreed to invite the Leader of the County Council to a future parish council meeting.

285. Min 279. The speed indicator devices purchased by the Parish Council had been delivered to Southbourne Farmshop.

Open Forum

286. The meeting was temporarily closed for public discussion.
Upon re-opening the meeting the Council considered a request from Mrs H Atkinson to have use of the recreation ground on Saturday 7th July 2012 to hold a fund raising event for an animal charity. The Council gave approval for use of the ground without charge.

287. District Cllr G Hicks reported the edge of the road at the southern end of Prinsted Lane needed repairing. County Highways would be informed.

County Councillor Comments

288. Cllr Mark Dunn was not present.

District Councillor Comments

289. Cllr Bruce Finch gave the District Council report.
Diane Shepherd the new Chief Executive of CDC was carrying out a review and asking Councillors for help in prioritising council resources over the next 5 years.
Councillors were being briefed on the Localism Act and Planning Framework on 19 April.
With regard to Community partnerships, City Angels were being started in Chichester, similar to Street Pastors, with 50 trained volunteers helping drive down anti social behaviour.
In Midhurst a Community Resolution Pilot Project involved 5 local youths repairing local

facilities and litter collection. On Democracy days the CDC worked with local primary schools and had received an Innovation Award from the British Youth Council.
Economics - 93.4% of local businesses were still going after 1 year (against a national average of 90%) and 66.2% after 3 years (against a national average of 63%) There had been one million more visitors in Chichester City in 2011 than in 2010.
Unemployment - Enterprise programme provided a 4 days course and a £5K loan for 18-30 year olds setting up their own businesses and also the 50+ scheme provided a 4 days training course.
On waste collection, the West Sussex authorities would not bid for the £250 million being provided for weekly collection, given the investment that had been made in recycling.
Concerning Health and Safety, CDC would be leading in the new light touch approach with far fewer visits concentrating on high risk premises and serious breaches - SME support would focus on support and help.

Dr MacDougall raised questions about Hyde Martlet housing association and drew attention to the bad press it had received recently. Cllr Finch would provide relevant information.

Correspondence

290. A list of correspondence received had been circulated with the agenda, copy appended to the official minutes.

291. List item 1. It was decided to invite planning advisors Luken Beck Ltd to give a brief presentation before the start of the October Council meeting.

Additional Correspondence

292. Mrs D Bowerman. Horse riders using footpaths between Prinsted and Cobnor. Under investigation by Chichester Harbour Conservancy.

293. S Berry. Advertising fund raising car boot sale in Clippings. The next edition would not be in time for the event and the new format for Clippings would preclude such an advertisement.

294. Chichester DC. Identifying community needs in relation to planning application. (minute 264 13th March refers) The items for the Village Hall had been taken forward but improvements to the pavilion and to parish street lighting could not be included.

295. Chidham & Hambrook PC. The proposed boundary change survey had been carried out by Hambrook & District Residents Association, Chidham & Hambrook PC had not seen the questionnaire or seen the results of the survey.

296. B Holly & H Beech. Youth issues. It was noted the Police had confirmed they were dealing with the issues raised.

297. M Keane. Use of field for flying para-gliders. The PCSO had confirmed he was aware of this matter and looking into the legal position governing this type of flying.

298. SALC. Notice of the six monthly meeting with the Chief Constable.

299. WSCC – Chichester South Community Action Plan. Notice of the next meeting of the Working Group at County Hall on 12th April. Mr Jennings would attend for Southbourne.

Staffing Parish Office

300. In August 2011 the Part-time Clerical Assistant had ceased employment for health reasons. The Clerks's hours had been increased by four hours a week to make up for some

of the loss of clerical support. Mrs Tirebuck was able to start work again and would be able to be re-employed from 1st May 2012.

It was resolved to employ Mrs Tirebuck as Part-time Clerical Assistant from 1st May 2012 on the same terms and conditions as before and on a salary of £226.09 a month. To reduce the hours of the Clerk by four hours a week with effect from 1st May 2012.

Report of Events Committee

301. The application forms had started coming back from those wishing to take part in the Fete. The Infant & Junior School PTA were planning to hold a pet show. Planning for the Fete continued. It was intended to publish the next edition of Clippings newsletter in good time to advertise the Fete.

Report of Bournes Forum 22nd March

302. The meeting had been attended by Mr Jennings and District Cllr G Hicks representing Southbourne. The minutes of the meeting were circulated in the information folder.

Mr Jennings commented on the presentation by Portsmouth Water and drew attention to the savings that could be made by going over to water meters which made a saving on sewage rates as well as on water supply which people did not always appreciate.

Finance – Payments for Approval

303. A list of payments for approval was circulated at the meeting, copy appended to the official minutes. It was resolved the payments be approved.

Matters Raised

304. The Chairman reported he had arranged for Mr Staker to repair both of the bus shelters near Bramley Gardens, Hermitage. An invoice for the work had been received from Mr Staker in the sum of £149.98. The action taken was approved.

305. Mr Humphrey reported pot holes in Garsons Road. Although they were repaired by County Highways the repairs did not last for any length of time.

306. Mr Hayes informed the meeting the Junior School had appointed a new Head Teacher. The Head Teachers of the Infant School and Bourne Community College were both retiring this year.

Bourne Community College had distributed a leaflet inviting residents to a public meeting to discuss plans for a learning village.

The District Council was aware of dumping of materials at Reedmans Yard, Prinsted Lane. A letter from the Parish Council would be sent to encourage planning enforcement action to be taken .

307. The Clerk reported the parish concrete street lighting column o/s 41 Flatt Road, Nutbourne, was cracked near the base and also breaking up further up the column. Approval was given to replace this street light.

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