

COLNBROOK WITH POYLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Colnbrook on Tuesday 5th July 2016. Commencing at 7.40pm, following public questions and reports from local organisations at 7.30 pm. A summary of which is attached.

Members Present: Chairman – Cllr S Bryant, Vice Chair – Cllr P. Bedi, Cllrs Angell, Elum-Smith, Grewal, Hood, Kinane, Jackson, Laxman, Richardson and Smith.

Officer Present: Mrs K. Jones - Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

Members of the Public: 21

PC/16/026 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Were received from Cllr Brooks

PC/16/027 AWARDING OF THE COLNBROOK COMMUNITY CUP
**The Winner of the Colnbrook Cup for 2016 is St Thomas' Church
Warden Janet Morgan.**

Before the awarding of the cup Cllr Laxman gave a resume of why the winner for this year was a fitting and worthy recipient.

I first started working with Janet 3 years ago and saw the amount of work and leadership she displays. She **does not look for any reward or recognition**, she just **quietly works away in the background** marshalling her troops sorting out any problems that arise. Not a lot of people notice the work she carries out, so I will list them for you as follows:

Janet arranges the meetings and books it, arranges the opening and closing and has tea and coffee ready for all. She reminds other Church members about meetings and attends all the meetings and makes an enormous contribution in every item we discuss. Finally she clears and makes it ready for the next morning's Sunday Service.

Janet is always there on the Fridays before the event and is there till the bitter end on Saturdays to clear up. On Saturday mornings she would be amongst the first to arrive and start setting up things in the gardens. Amongst the many duties she would have booked the organist, arranged the music and she would volunteer to do a reading. She would make sure that all the food is laid out, the chairs and tables both inside and outside are laid out, teas, coffees and other drinks are ready. She would still find time to put on a fancy dress costume and participate in the day's event.

The Chairman then presented the cup to Janet Morgan, and commented that it was great honour.

Janet Morgan gave an acceptance speech in which she said she was very honoured to receive the award and she was accepting it on behalf of all at St Thomas, especially Gareth, who all work together as a team.

Cllr Smith commented that it was a testament to Janet that so many had turned up this evening and that Janet had played a leading role in community events and had shown commitment to Colnbrook and as a keen educationalist had also supported the two primary schools in the parish.

PC/16/028 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th June 2016 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

PC/16/029 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS None

PC/16/030 SERVICES COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21st June 2016 were submitted by the Chairman **RESOLVED:** - that the minutes be received and approved, and the recommendations made be ratified.

PC/16/031 FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

i) The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21st June 2016 were submitted by the Chairman. **RESOLVED:** - that the minutes be received and approved, and the recommendations made be ratified.

ii) List of Payments;

The list of payments from 18th May to 20th June 2016 in the sum of £12,543.83 (Inc. VAT) were received. **RESOLVED:** - that the list of payments be confirmed and approved.

PC/16/032 CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW

Cllr Jackson advised that the working group were meeting next week and that the Risk Assessment, Standing Orders and Financial Regulation documents would be complete for ratification by the end of July. In regard to the Code of Conduct all that was required was for the Nolan Principles to be incorporated. The Clerk to do this and issue the amended document to all members
AGREED

PC/16/033 PLANNING

i) There were no new applications for consideration at the meeting and the clerk read out the decisions made by the Borough Council. The Chairman advised that he had contacted Slough BC in regard to outstanding applications in the parish and had received a reply which he asked the clerk to summarise and circulate. A copy is attached.

ii) Planning Call for Sites – Paul Stimpson (SBC) had been invited to the meeting but had felt that it was premature. He was more than happy to come along to another meetings at the appropriate time to explain what is happening. The Clerk reminded members of the deadline for the initial consultation which was midnight on 15th July 2016.

Cllr Hood proposed that a general comment be made in terms of pressure on the Green Belt in Colnbrook with more specific comments to follow. Cllr Smith supported this but wanted to reserve judgement as at present there was insufficient information on the impact on the flood plain. The Clerk to draft the response. **AGREED**

PC/16/034 PERMANENT RECORD OF QUEENS 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

It was proposed by Cllr Hood that the council consider putting together a pictorial commemorative book of the Queens 90th Birthday celebrations for sale to the community. He suggested around 150, which would sell for around £10 each. Cllr Grewal supported this and felt it was a once in a life time record for future generations.

Cllr Laxman asked that everybody pitch in to promote and sell this, and the Chairman asked other organisations in the parish to help (CCA and CRA). It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Hood and Smith prepare a draft to be bought back for members to review and approve.

PC/16/035 RESOLUTION TO SEEK THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S APPROVAL FOR PROPOSED BORROWING

Cllr Hood read out from notes he had prepared in support of a proposed resolution to seek the Secretary of State's approval for proposed borrowing to purchase the Colnbrook and Orchard Surgeries, which have been listed by Slough BC as an Asset of Community Value. A summary of which is below:-

18 months ago Colnbrook Surgery closed without warning and the Parish Council immediately took the matter up with Langley Health Centre Partners. It transpired that the practice was experiencing difficulties in renewing the lease on the building. The Council were informed that the revised annual cost was far in excess of what NHS England would fund for the premises.

After appeals from the Parish Council the Practice came to an agreement with the Landlord to enter into a new lease agreement with a break clause. We were told that this new agreement required the Practice to fund costs which they cannot recover from NHS England and as such they would not wish it to run for the full period and would instead seek a new site and take advantage of the break clause. This is March 2017, but they have to give 6 months' notice which would be September 2016.

We have now reached a position where Langley Health Centre, even with SBC's help cannot secure another suitable site in the locality. The expiry of the break clause is fast approaching and suggested solutions to the issue have been discussed with those directly involved, Langley Health Centre, Slough Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS England, Slough Borough Council and all parties' specialist advisors.

It is thought that the current landowner would possibly sell or redevelop the site if the Practice gave notice of termination of the lease.

With this probability in sight the Parish Council took the action of applying to have both surgeries listed as Assets of Community Value. Such a listing requires the owner to inform SBC of any intention to sell

and would then allow the Parish Council to submit an offer to purchase. The application has now been approved by SBC.

In order to be in a position to make such an offer the Parish Council would need to borrow funds which could be repaid by the income from their own new lease agreement with the Surgery and some other income as necessary, which would be dependent on the length the loan repayment decided upon. It is considered that the period could range 10 - 25 years. At the end of this period the building would become an actual fully owned asset of the community. The surgery have confirmed their intention to enter into a lease (subject to contract) should the Parish Council be successful in the purchase.

In order to apply for a loan it is necessary to seek the Secretary of States approval.

Cllr Hood commended the proposal to the council saying the support of this proposal will allow the council to carry the idea forward without any immediate commitment to either actually securing a loan or purchasing the properties. However it will lead us to a position where we can realistically confirm public support and negotiate with others to help ensure the continuation of a Colnbrook Surgery facility. Other options are limited if not non-existent and this proposal is put forward in the best interest of our community. By combining the two surgeries, which the doctors wish to do, it would allow for a nurses room for ECG's injections and day surgery.

Cllr Smith felt it important that the council do something to support Health Care provision in the village as residents would be effected if the surgery pulled out and moved to Langley. Cllr Laxman commented that if the surgery is lost the village mat also loose the chemists shop.

Cllr Hood also felt that with the call for sites and an increase in housing a surgery was even more important for the village.

It was proposed by Cllr Bryant, seconded by Cllr Angell and **RESOLVED** that the council seek the Secretary of state's approval for proposed borrowing. All in favour.

PC/16/036

CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk had received a thank you letter from Berkshire vision for the grant given to them by the council.

PC/16/037

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITIES

Cllr Elum-Smith reported that he and Cllr Brooks would undertake a study based on the parish plan to see the best way forward to serve the community. They had started at Sovereign heights. Report to follow.

Cllr Hood - Update on fly infestation – copy attached

Cllr Hood – attended a Heathrow Focus Forum, cargo presentation where they propose to double this from 1.6 million tonnes to 3.1 million tonnes meaning a

lot more road traffic – this is regardless of the new runway. The clerk to forward the presentation and out on the website.

Cllr Jackson – to attend the Audit and corporate governance meeting on 12 July

Cllr Smith – to attend a vision seminar SBC planning re the call for sites and will report back.

Cllr Bedi – FAG meeting 28th June, to do a mock flood trial date to be advised.

Cllr Bedi – NAG no meeting last month, lack of involvement L and Q and TVP propose to change meeting to every 6 weeks from 20th July. Looking in to adapting our own Emergency Plan for Colnbrook together with HAL

Cllr Bryant – Heathrow Cycle Hub, focused on the airport but trying to widen this to surrounding roads.

Cllrs Bryant and Bedi – Parish Forum on 11th July, Pippins School Awards Ceremony 14th July, Colnbrook School Award Ceremony 21st July. Propose a Parish Forum on the last Saturday in September with all village associations to have a table for residents to see what’s happening in the village along with plans/proposals for the museum.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

SIGNED: DATE

NOTES OF PUBLIC SESSION, TUESDAY 5th July 2016 7.35 pm

Mr Charles Burke asked about the proposal in regard to the doctors surgeries and was advised by the Chairman that this would be covered later in the meeting as it was an agenda item.

The Chairman invited local organisations to make their reports if they so wished. There were none and it was noted that apologies had been received from Pippins School.

The Chairman invited TVP to give their report, after the community cup had been awarded, and they apologised and said this would be forthcoming ASAP to be circulated with the minutes

OUTSTANDING APPLICATIONS IN THE PARISH – REPLY FROM SBC

Planning Reference: P/01163/006 - Rogans Garage, 585 London Road, SL3 8QQ (Coln-henge)

Planning permission was granted on 11th February 2015 for development of site to provide 61 residential units in 3 separate blocks in a part 5 / part 4 / part 3 storey development on a podium above a semi basement car park providing for 75 car spaces (part retrospective). They have three years from 11th February 2015 to implement this scheme. Recent conversations with the build reveal this is moving forward again.

P/11509/003 - The Red Lion, High Street, Colnbrook , SL3 OLX

There is a currently application for Listed Building Consent for instillation external staircase and 3 new upvc sash windows at the rear and alterations to the front , which would include:- existing rafters to be removed and replaced with new timbers rafters, existing windows at first floor to have the paint stripped and replaced, the main bay window would be replaced and manufactured to hand build windows from timber to same design and specification as the existing windows, the existing timber cladding on the pitched roof side extension would be removed and replaced with new timber cladding and it would be painted black, there will be new doors on the single storey side extension pitched roof element, repainting of the timber gate on the single storey pitched roof element. Repainting all the elevations in an off white colour

The Star and Garter public house - The application of the Costa Coffee was withdrawn by the applicant. There are currently no applications for redevelopment.

P/15853/002 – 6 Myrtle Close, SL3 0PZ

Change of use from house in multiple occupation (c4) to large house in multiple occupation to include 9 bedrooms. The case officer has our objection and he will be able to take this into consideration as part of the planning process.

P/11658/008 - Land At Coleridge Crescent & Adjacent to, Hadley Court

Construction of a terrace of 3no. x 3 storey town houses together with access and parking. Outline application with landscaping reserved for subsequent approval. Regarding concerns for fly tipping the Neighbourhood Enforcement Team, will be able to assist in issues. The Agent has advised that they are seeking to move forward with the scheme, soil testing is being undertaken to discharge the pre-commencement conditions.

VICARAGE WAY FLY INFESTATION REPORT

Cllr Hood had spoken with Rebecca Crawford of TWA today (5th July) regarding the outcome of the entomologists visit to Vicarage Way and enquired as to the findings.

It appears the fly species of the samples taken could not be absolutely identified as all were females. It also appeared that no particular areas of breeding sites could be found in the locality.

He then enquired as to what recent measures had been taken on the Sludge dewatering site to control/contain the flies.

Rebecca confirmed that because the matter had be raised to such a high profile since the Parish Council's involvement, meetings and correspondence that TWA had decided to invest money in ensuring that the sewage cake is no longer stored at the facility (during the summer months and probably throughout the coming years) and is removed either directly to farms or other storage facilities.

He thanked Rebecca for getting such action taken and she in turn asked that we keep her informed as to the ongoing situation.

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