

COLNBROOK WITH POYLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** held at the Village Hall, Colnbrook on Tuesday 25th April 2017, commencing at 7.30pm.

Members of the Public: 3

Members Present in the public seats: Cllrs Angell, Puja Bedi, and Hood

Chairman: Cllr Bryant

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

1) INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed everybody present to the meeting.

2) APOLOGIES

Cllrs Smith, Jackson, and Laxman. Neil Misselbrook TVP

3) TO APPROVE NOTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 26.04.16

It was noted that these had been approved at the Council meeting held on 7th June 2016 so this was just to look at matters arising.

4) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2016/2017

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting and gave his report for the year in the form of a power point presentation, a printed copy of which is attached.

The Chairman referred to the attendance charts and thanked members for their commitment and efforts over the year. New for this year was the planning tracker showing the percentage of applications where the Parish and the Borough agreed on responses, which was 79% in 2016/17

Individual councillors had been asked to submit their reports for the year, and these were included in the attached presentation, where submitted.

On the subject of crime statistics extracted from TVP web site, The Chairman agreed to keep the tracker going to look for future spikes in certain crimes.

5) REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS

Colnbrook Residents Association (Sean Kelly) – Two very successful events, The Easter Egg hunt, which was overwhelmed by participants and the Race Night. The next big event planned in the resident's fun day on the 8th July 2017 which will start with coffee mornings run by individuals around the village followed by afternoon tea and games at St Thomas Church, horse drawn carriages, children's activities and a wrestling competition at The George and a barn dance at the Village Hall. He called for volunteers to help with the event which was replacing the Apple Fair this year.

The Chairman asked if a map of the streets involved could be made available, and Cllr Puja Bedi asked about publicity and Cllr Hood said it would be in the parish June Newsletter.

Colnbrook Village Hall Trust (Ray Angell) – Reported that last year was very successful and the booking are going from strength to strength. There are plans to replace the floor in the main hall and for a mezzanine level in the entrance hall way.

Colnbrook Community Partnership (Mike Nye) – The biggest activity has been in Alderney Park where Groundwork have been contracted to replace apple trees, install new fencing around the ditch, along with signage and information boards showing the flora and fauna on site. Another sign dedicated to the history of the Colne Valley Park, featuring the Coxes orange Pippin will be mounted on the fence. The official opening is on Friday 28th and Pippins School have been invited.

Crown Meadow - A notice board is to be installed highlighting the fact that Colnbrook is within the Colne Valley Park, linking all the elements of the park together. Also Slough B. C. have installed the Green Gym as part of a programme for all Borough parks.

Cllr Angell stated that the Green Flag Management Plan had been put together for a meeting with the judges on the 4th May 2017. He had the specification to show the judges that a lot of money had been committed to improving the Recreation Ground.

Colne Valley Park (Mike Nye) - £2 million in funding had been awarded from the Heritage Lottery scheme but the trust wanted local groups to have an input as to how this will be spent. A consultation event is scheduled in the Village Hall for 25th June. They would like all local groups to attend. In August there will be stage two, when the Heritage Lottery will look at community support for the recommendations and this will help with getting works done locally.

Cllr Hood asked if a representative from Heathrow could be invited to the June meeting to observe and take notes of what the community would like to see. M Nye stated that Heathrow had already employed someone to deal with environmental aspects, Neil Sheriff, who had experience with parks and wildlife heritage sites and that CVP had input into the strategic planning element and green spaces of the third runway proposal.

There is concerns as the River Colne has dried up in the north, and this will effect Colnbrook especially if there is heavy rain because it is totally silted up. Thames water have been notified that there is not enough reservoir capacity for the portage of water.

6) REPORTS FROM BOROUGH WARD COUNCILLORS

Cllr Dexter Smith submitted a report as he was attending a meeting at the Borough on the same evening. A copy is attached.

7) PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Cllr Hood updated those present concerning the doctors surgery – A meeting had been held with a GP working in Bucks who wishes to start a new surgery in Colnbrook. This will be a new partnership, not associated with Langley Health Centre, and they would have their own consulting rooms for nurses and specialist clinics. There will be a survey held in the Chemists to see if the public will register with a new practice so that support can be shown to the CCG. The GP is happy to hold a question and answer session in the village hall for residents – date to be arranged.

The Chairman thanked all those who attended for coming and for their reports.

The meeting closed at 8.27pm.

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