

COLNBROOK WITH POYLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Colnbrook on Tuesday 7th November commencing at 7.30pm following Public questions and NAG report, a summary of which is attached.

Members Present (full Parish Council Meeting Attendance only):

Chairman	Scott Bryant	5 out of 5	100%
Vice Chair	Puja Bedi	5 out of 5	100%
Cllr.	Paul Brooks	4 out of 5	80%
Cllr.	Eddy Ellum-Smith	3 out of 5	60%
Cllr.	Jagjit Grewal	4 out of 5	80%
Cllr.	Raymond Jackson	5 out of 5	100%
Cllr.	Mick Kinane	4 out of 5	80%
Cllr.	Arnolds Richardson	5 out of 5	100%
Cllr.	Dexter Smith	5 out of 5	100%

Officers Present:

Clerk-Surinder Jabble

Public Session:

Members of the Public: 7

Slough Borough Council: 1 (Linda Walker – Monitoring Officer)

Police Officer: 1

Press: 1 (Greg Taylor from Slough Observer)

PC/17/046 **RECEIVED and APPROVED APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

PC/17/047 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd October 2017, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman with one amendment Councillor Drop in Session should be 28th and not 30th September

PC/17/048 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

Cllr. Smith declared an interest in Planning item P/16905/001

Cllr. Brooks declared an interest in Planning item P/11490/013

Cllr. Bryant declared an interest in Planning item P/11490/013

PC/17/049 **SERVICES COMMITTEE**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17th October 2017 were submitted by the Chairman. **RESOLVED** that the minutes be received and approved, and the recommendations made be ratified.

PC/17/050 **FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE**

- i) The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17th October 2017 were submitted by the Chairman. **RESOLVED**: - that the minutes be received and approved and the recommendations be ratified.
- ii) The list of payments from 20th September 2017 to 17th October 2017 in the sum of £6448.13 (Inc. VAT) was received **RESOLVED**: - that the lists of payments be confirmed and approved.
- iii) It was Proposed that another Councillor apart from the Signatories Check the payments and Cheques with the Cheque stubs- **APPROVED**

PC/17/51 **UPDATES**

- a. War memorial Update- Cllr Elum-Smith

Out of the 7,500 Residents in the Area ONLY 19 responded to the online survey representing 0.25%
It was agreed that this is to be reviewed in January 2018.

- b. Attendance Update- Cllr Bryant

Councillor Attendances (2017- Oct)

		Parish Meeting		Services Committee		Finance & Policy committee		Total Meeting Attendance
Arnold	Richardson	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	100.00%
Puja	Bedi	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	100.00%
Dexter	Smith	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	100.00%
Mick	Kinane	4	out of 5	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	93.30%
Scott	Bryant	5	out of 5	4	out of 5	4	out of 5	86.70%
Raymond	Jackson	5	out of 5	4	out of 5	4	out of 5	86.70%
Eddy	Elum-Smith	3	out of 5	5	out of 5	5	out of 5	86.70%
Jagjit	Grewal	4	out of 5	4	out of 5	4	out of 5	80.00%
Ray	Angell	4	out of 5	3	out of 4	3	out of 4	76.90%
Paul	Brooks	4	out of 5	2	out of 5	2	out of 5	53.30%
Peter	Hood	4	out of 5	1	out of 4	1	out of 4	46.20%
Kishore	Laxman	0	out of 3	0	out of 3	0	out of 3	0.00%

It was proposed that an Attendance Register be kept as a permanent record of Meeting attendances

- c. Drop In Session Update- Cllr Kinane and Brooks

Report Below

d. Parish Newsletter 2017-Cllr Bryant

Please have all the articles by the 17th November 2017. At present A4 size Newsletter is published once a year. It has been suggested we consider A5 size Newsletter on a Quarterly basis.

Service Committee to consider the Proposal

PC/17/052 **DROP IN SESSION UPDATE**

i. Hosted by Cllr Kinane and Cllr Brooks Saturday 30th September 2017

Cllr Kinane reported that the Hall was not open on the day therefore the Surgery took place outside the Hall.

It was explained that this was a misunderstanding between the Booking Clerk and the Caretaker

In future please contact the Chair or a member of the Hall Committee

ii. Next Drop in Session by Cllr Bryant and Cllr Bedi on Saturday 25th November 2017 at the Village Hall 10.30-12.30

PC/17/053 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Applications

Planning Ref No **P/16905/001**

Main Location **2, Daventry Close, Colnbrook, Slough, SL3 0PW**

Proposal - Submission of details pursuant to condition 5 & 6 (boundary treatment), 7 (access), 8 (visibility splays) and 10 (landscaping) of planning permission P/16905/000 dated 24/05/2017

Drawings are insufficient- need side and front elevation drawings

Planning Ref No **P/14825/009**

Main Location **Star & Garter, Park Street, Colnbrook, Slough, SL3 0JF**

Proposal - Listed Building Consent for the conversion of vacant public house to form a Large HMO (sui generis Use Class) comprising communal areas at ground floor and 5no. double bedrooms on the upper floors. Demolition of building (The Smithy) and construction detached building comprising a café at ground floor (A3 Use Class); and 6no. residential flats (C3 Use Class) within the first floor and roof void (4no. 2 bed; 2no. 1 bed). Associated car parking and landscaping.

Adjourn to Service committee meeting

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Adjourn to Service committee meeting

Planning Ref No **P/11490/013**

Main Location **Poyle 14, Newlands Drive, Poyle, Slough, SL3 0DX**

Proposal - Installation of a chiller unit with acoustic fencing, removal of existing smoking shelter and erection of new smoking shelter, security gate, hand rail, and bollards, and installation of intake louvers.

Further information required from Planning – Noise and Legionnaire disease considerations

Decisions

Planning Ref No **P/11009/008**

Main Location **559, London Road, Slough, SL3 8QE**

Construction of a 1no. detached bungalow with associated parking and amenity

Application Approved with Conditions

Planning Ref No **P/16459/001**

Main Location **11 Hadley Court, Coleridge Crescent, Colnbrook, Slough, SL3 0PL**

Construction of a loft conversion with rear and front roof lights at no11

Application Approved with Conditions

Planning Ref No **Y/07523/002**

Main Location **9, Sutton Lane, Slough, SL3 8AB**

The erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 6m, with a maximum height of 2.75m, and an eaves height of 2.75m

Application Withdrawn by Applicant

Main Location **19, Coleridge Crescent, Poyle, Slough, SL3 0PY**

Demolition of existing rear canopy and erection of replacement smaller single storey rear canopy

Application Refused

PC/17/054 **HEATHROW 3RD RUNWAY UPDATE**

Meeting on Friday 10th November 2017 7pm at St Mary Church Harmondsworth

PC/17/055 **AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITIES**

- i. **Colnbrook Village Hall Trust** – Cllr. Puja Bedi
Nothing to Report
- ii. **Colnbrook Community Partnership** – No Representative
Nothing to Report
- iii. **Berkshire Association Local Councillors** - Cllr's Bryant
Nothing to Report
- iv. **L.A.A.N.C** – No Representative
Cllr Elum-Smith has requested to become the new Parish Council representative
- v. **Local Focus Forum** – No Representative
Nothing to report
- vi. **Parish Forum** - Cllr's Bryant, Puja Bedi
Reported that a Meeting was held on 21st October 2017 and discussion took place on Slough and Parish Plan
- vi. **Slough Borough Council Audit and Corporate Governance Committee**
- Cllr Jackson was unable to attend meeting
Nothing to Report
- vii. **Local Access Forum** - Cllr Richardson
- viii. **Colnbrook Residents Association** – Cllr Brooks
Christmas Dinner on 3rd December 2017 cost £10 per adult
- ix. **Neighbourhood Action Group** - Cllr Jackson
Meeting was well attended last month
- x. **Flood Action Group** - Cllr Puja Bedi
Review meeting January 2018

PC/17/056 **CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDENCE**

Cllr Bryant explained the following areas that he and Cllr Puja Bedi have been working on;

1. **CCTV**
 - i. Looking to purchase extra CCTV with Ward Councillors contributing from their SBC Councillor funds
 - ii. Monitoring will be done by SBC

2. **Remembrance Sunday**
 - i. 12th November at St Thomas Church
3. **Parish Elections**
 - i. Elections will take place on the 23rd November 2017
 - ii. 8 Candidates have applied
 - iii. Voting Centres- Pippin School, Colnbrook Village Hall and Westfield School
4. **PCSO**
 - i. Meeting with the Thames Valley Police on 14th November 2017 to find a replacement as well as for an additional PCSO

This part of the meeting closed at 2220

SIGNED: DATE:

POLICE REPORT

New Inspector is concentrating on Residential Burglaries

Theft from Vehicles is on the Increase in Slough

In the Last four weeks for Colnbrook/Poyle/Foxborough between 20/09/17 and 18/10/17 the trend is there is a slight increase in Theft from Vehicles but decrease in Theft of Vehicles. There is marked decrease in Residential Burglaries and Non-Domestic Violence with Injury but marked increase in Non-Domestic violence without Injury and Public Order Offences

Engagement Events: Beat Surgery at Pippin School First Monday of every month at 3pm

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- GP Surgery in Langley – the Bus does not have a Wheel Chair facility. If a GP Surgery is not forthcoming in Colnbrook the Parish are likely to lose the Chemist
Action: - Cllr. Bryant and Cllr. Smith to follow this up with SBC
- Flowers- need to be cared –near Budgens

Action: - Cllr. Puja Bedi to follow this up with the Environmental Working Group

- A near miss accident at the Zebra Crossing at the Colnbrook C of E School- Slough Borough Council and Thames Valley Police are trying to solve this on-going problem

Action: - Cllr. Bryant to follow this up with SBC and TVP

- Moorland Avenue- street lights are a problem as well as the problem of overhanging shrubbery

Action: -

- Public raised issues of the Parish Councillors NOT residing in the Parish as to their knowledge of the area and their attendance of Parish functions.

Cllr Elum-Smith replied that he often walks and talks to the residents in the Parish.

- Cllr Richardson expressed his regret that Cllr Hood had resigned and proposed that Cllr Hood be commended for his service and contribution to the Parish for the last 22 years

CHAIRMANS CLARIFICATION ABOUT THE SOCIAL MEDIA STATEMENT

I would just like to make few points of clarification on articles that have been published on local media sites lately that have caused me to receive a number of queries.

The first that Councillor Elum-Smith brought to my attention is regarding the recent election. I have had a number of comments made to me about my 'statement regarding Labour taking over the Council'. Here on the screen is the excerpt in question.

The *Observer* suggests that the parish had hoped to co-opt someone to fill seat vacated by "K" Laxman who died in August, and quotes Cllr Bryant's own reservations about an £8,000 cost in close proximity to the next full parish election in 2019 – as well as the possibility that those from outside the parish may step forward. Slough Labour members are understood to be among those calling for an election. Cllr Bryant told the paper:

"An election doesn't give councillors time to meet potential new councillors. If we co-opt, we can receive CVs, interview them, find out more about them. Now we could get someone from outside of the village, who doesn't know Colnbrook."

As you can see it has been written in a way that, if scan, read, does indeed appear to suggest that I am wary of a labour takeover. However, as you can see here, the punctuation clearly shows that this is a new and separate clause and is not a quote from me. I am an independent, not aligned to any party and my main focus is Colnbrook. Whatever party the newly elected Councillors come from I am happy to work with as long as they too have this village as their main priority.

The second clarification I would like to make is regarding the CRA grant given for the family fun day. There have been comments made about the Parish Council approving the grant retrospectively, however I would like to confirm that the CRA did request the funding back in May, 2 months before their fun day. This was approved by the Parish Council in our May meeting, but has only recently been handed over.

The Resignation of Peter Hood

Dear Cllr. Bryant

After hearing the news that an election has been called and on that basis I have decided to resign from the Parish Council with immediate effect. I'm taking advantage of a period where my action should not cause any additional cost to the community.

I shall be sending a formal letter in due course and ask whether in the absence of a Parish Council postal address I should best send it to your home?

It's been a pleasure serving alongside committed people like you and Puja. It has been much less of a pleasure serving alongside some others that either have their own business interests at the top of their agenda or just don't do anything constructive.

At the last meeting we had two councillors interrupting the outside bodies' reports and ranting about things not on the agenda and a third giving a report on why he had no report to give and in the process blaming someone else.

Please remain strong and keep up your good work. I've been doing it for 22 years so I'm entitled to a break. You and Puja still have the opportunity to make a difference in our community. If you would value my advice on any matters I'm always willing to help but without the strain of walking on eggshells with councillors that are rude and inconsiderate.

I'd ask you to advise SBC of this new vacancy straight away so that two positions can be listed on the ballot forms at the election.

Best regards as ever

Peter Hood