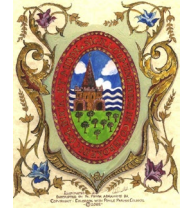


COLNBROOK with POYLE PARISH COUNCIL



Notes of the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the Parish held at the Village Hall,
Colnbrook on Tuesday 21st May 2019 commencing at 7:36pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Babuta, Bedi, Bennett, Escott, Kahlon, Oakley, Smith, Viridi

Officer Present: Mr Steven Gillingwater –Locum Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Members of the Public: 23

1. Introduction

Cllr Babuta opened the meeting in which he thanked all Ex Councillors and the Outgoing Chair, Cllr Bedi for all their hard work and commitment to the Parish during their terms. Moving forward Cllr Babuta explained that with all Councillors, the Parish Council would be engaging with residents. Cllr Babuta stated I am passionate for change and enthusiastic but I will learn from the residents regarding the Past with members of the Community like Mr Peter Hood and Cllr Dexter Smith, to build to the future together.

Cllr Babuta stated I want to increase security by reintroducing a designated Police Community Support Officer for Colnbrook. I want to increase wellbeing by working towards a doctor's surgery for Colnbrook. There will be challenges but we must work to address these for residents. I promise as Chair that I will be looking to seek and engage with all Groups, communities and residents. I would like the support from the residents moving forward. I will be looking at training and casework for residents in doing what I can do to help better the lives of residents. I will have the full support of my Vice Chair and the Clerk on this. I would personally like to thank the Parish Council and for all the support from the Councillors.

2. Apologies

Pippins School, Colnbrook Church of England Primary School, Cllr Avtar Kaur Cheema, Cllr Naveed Rana, Mr Mike Nye

3. To Approve Notes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 29th May 2018

Concerns about wording of the Annual Parish Meeting, it was agreed to amend so that the Minutes read Annual Meeting of the Parish. There was also concern raised about Museum funding being discussed which was not in the minutes. With the amendment the Notes were approved.

4. Chairman's Report for the Year 2018/2019

See attached slideshow presented

At the end of the Report, Cllr Dexter Smith was honorary presented his honorary Freedom of the Parish. He was presented with his Scroll and Cloak by Cllr Babuta, Cllr Bedi and the Clerk, Mr Steven Gillingwater.

Cllr Smith stated that I take this honorary position with great honor and feel privilege to have this bestowed upon me. I do hope to continue to serve for the Village and Parish moving forward, thank you all.

5. Report from Other Organisations

Thames Valley Police

- See attached Crime figures (appendix 1)
- Raised awareness of Dash Cams from vehicles so urged residents to be vigilant
- Concern raised about Local Youths being an issue again
- Thames Valley Police are looking to do anonymous statements to use as evidence
- If there are any concerns please contact us.

Colnbrook Community Partnership (CCP) (Mr Ray Angell)

- CCP has raised over £400,000 pounds in supporting Green and Open Spaces.
- Has worked hard to ensure that Colnbrook has 2 of Slough's 4 green flags
- CCP is continuing to work on Crown meadow to secure Nature Reserve status for Crown Meadow.
- Installed a new Noticeboard in Crown Meadow to keep residents informed. We now have 2 noticeboards in Crown Meadow.
- Slough Borough Council also put a new gym trail around Crown Meadow
- The CCP would like to remind residents that Crown Meadow is historically a Meadow.
- Funds the Herb Garden in Pippins Park
- Any projects that you would like us to get involved in please let us know.
- CCP is finding the issue with getting nature reserve status is due to general tidiness.

Cippenham British Legion (Mrs Tracy Harding)

- Thank you all for the celebration you invited us too
- Colnbrook is a lovely community and was a real pleasure to work with all of you
- Cllr Bedi and Cllr Babuta formally thanks the British Legion

Colnbrook Village Hall Trust (CVHT) (Mr Ray Angell)

- Very Successful year where we are booked most time and very competitive rates.
- Seeking money to build a Mezzine Level so that the Amateur Dramatics Society (CAST) can increase the amount of people performing at their performances and increase the booking availability for the Village Hall.
- The Trustees have agreed for the Museum to be put onto their land.

Colnbrook Residents Association (CRA) (Mr Sean Kelly)

- Massive success regarding Colnfest. This is due mainly to the huge effort from Mr and Mrs Hood. Great support from everyone and Colnfest 18 was a great success.
- Skittles Evening in October was a great Success and a lot of fun.
- Heavily involved in Remembrance Service
- Christmas Lunch was a great pleasure
- Carol Service was successful although chilly.
- Another first was a community breakfast with silent films playing in the background which was hugely popular.
- April this year, Easter Egg Hunt was well attended with 140 eggs being found although 150 were hidden.
- Meet the Candidate for the recent elections of the Parish and the Borough were well attended and interesting for the residents
- End of May is Race Night with Horse racing on the big screen which the ticket includes fish and chip supper. This is on May the 31st and tickets are on sale at the Pharmacy.
- We try to do events to bring the community together and we are not money making project but purely enriching the community spirit by bringing everyone together.
- 6th July is Colnfest which we hope to be bigger and better than last year. Cllr Babuta informs the room that the Parish Council will have a stall. If anyone can assist we are in need of Marshalls for the day.

Cllr Sean Oakley left the meeting at this point due to breaking fast.

Colnbrook with Poyle Museum (Mr Peter Hood)

- Planning application has been submitted to Slough Borough Council Planning department
- Schools are very supportive of the Museum Project and have written to me about the project. 2 letters were out in support of the project moving forward.
- Mr Hood thanked the Parish Council for their support and for the potential funding.

Swan Radio (Lynn Holden)

- Colnbrook is full of passion and that is what Swan Radio is about..... Passion.
- Swan Radio supports 6 villages locally, Datchet, Horton, Wraysbury, Old Windsor, Colnbrook and Poyle
- Swan Radio was proud to launch in February
- Many links with Colnbrook including Broadcasters from Colnbrook, Done Recording of Colnbrook Carol Service and Village life has also had residents of Colnbrook.
- Swan Radio wants to promote and create a bigger contact
- Apprenticeship scheme to help train the youth for the future
- Hope to involve the Scouts to give them the chance to get a media badge
- Really want to engage and grow our social media
- Interesting story that will be looking at the Pubs of Colnbrook

Slough Active (Billy Cousins)

- Really strong start growing in Colnbrook including 2 +1 sports engagement at Pippins Park that cost £2. It has Parents and Children which is very successful
- Boxercise and ladies exercise. Take up is usually slow for these sorts of activities but it is a real testament to Colnbrook as there is a real big uptake. That is a show of the community push here in Colnbrook.
- The next target is Youth Sports as we believe there is a real need in Colnbrook for engagement with the Youth.
- Next event at Westfield will be Cricket which will be linked to the Cricket World Cup
- 5k Fun run taking place at Upton Court Park. There advertisement on Social media and hope the Community can continue to push Slough Active events.
- We do have facebook, twitter and instagram
- Cllr Bedi formally thanked Billy Cousins for the last 4 months engaging with the Parish Council and his commitment to bringing the activities to Colnbrook.

6. Report from Ward Councillors

A. Apologies for Cllr Avatar K. Cheema due to Mayor Duties

B. Cllr Dexter Smith

See attached report

7. Public Questions

A resident raised about The Star and Garter as it has come to a standstill. Cllr Bedi update that is on hold due to a planning application change

A resident raised concerns about the Theale – Cllr Smith updated that Planning enforcers being called to the site and have tidied the site but no further change. Cllr Smith will continue to push for the Council to do what it can. The Council stated they have little power there.

A resident raised about the Heathrow Gateway which has slowed down. Cllr Babuta stated that the Parish Council will try and engage with the owners and the Council.

A resident raised about the new Development Consult Order done by the Aura Group which is presenting a different plan to the current Heathrow plan. The Resident stated that it would potentially delay the decision which is concerning to residents who are planning for the future. The resident asked the Parish Council to use whatever tools they have to help ensure the decision for Heathrow is not delayed for the residents to start being able to plan for the future. Cllr Babuta stated the Parish Council will do all it can to engage with the partners and deliver for the residents.

A resident raised about the Windowboxes scheme which the resident felt was a waste of money as all boxes are dead. Nobody is watering them and therefore is a waste of time and money. Cllr Smith stated that it is a Keep Britain Tidy Scheme which has been told to us that the scheme is usually a successful scheme but residents were told they had to watering the boxes. The project is ongoing and the council will monitor the situation.

A resident raised the Paths around Colnbrook are disgusting, many disabled residents are concerned about the Pavement around the Town. The Clerk informed that there is a Report coming to the next Council meeting.

A resident raised concerns about a post knocked down at Budgens and a Lamppost at the Roundabout been left for years. The Chair asked for these to be raised with the Council.

The Chair thanks, in his personal capacity and as a resident to Mr Peter Hood for his hard work and commitment to the Village and Parish. Cllr Babuta thanks Mr Hood as a resident for his devotion to the Parish and its community.

Meeting Closed at 9:24pm.

Signed: (Chair) Date:

Signed: (Clerk) Date:

Signed: (Witness) Date: