



## **Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council**

### **Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Meeting Commenced at 1930hrs**

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**Present:** Councillors (Cllr) Rana ( in the Chair), Alfred, Bartlett, Bedi, Brenner, Buchanan, Gipps, John, Raju, Smith,

**Officer Present** – none, Cllr Brenner took the minutes

Members of the Public: 7

- 1. Welcome** – Cllr Rana thanked everyone for attending.

**To receive apologies for absence:** Apology had been received from Cllr Whitrod  
**RESOLVED to note the apologies**

- 2. MINUTES: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 12 March 2024.**

It was proposed by Cllr Bedi and seconded by Cllr Evans and ...

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12 March 2024 were approved as a true record.

- 3. Public Question Time**

Members of the Public raised the following items and concerns:

- Had Savio de Cruz accepted / or sent apologies? Requested a formal letter of complaint to be issued.
- Question raised regarding the current Bank Balance and how had the level of precept been reached for 2024/25. Cllr bartlett advised the financial statements and budget would be available. Cllr Smith advised the Clerk was preparing the statement.
- Concerns raised regarding the ongoing issue of parking at the Village Hall car park and local roads by LHR airport employees and holiday makers especially over the Easter weekend. Cllr Bedi advised a draft regarding addressing this issue/resident parking scheme has been shared by SBC. Whole of Colnbrook has been assessed, will need to go to consultation. Request for this to be given priority.
- Concern raised that key issues affecting the village/residents need to be taken up by the Parish Cllrs with the District Council, hold surgeries for formal questions to be discussed.
- Star and Garter issue raised - Cllr Bedi advised the developer is in final stages of discussion with SBC. Residents from St Johns want to know and be included in what

the status actually is as hugely frustrated with the situation. Cllr Smith had emailed Head of Planning and will follow up. Cllr Bedi confirmed that Building Control have been out to the site and would request update. Residents advised that they request communication is vital and this needs to be rectified – especially with the developer Emilio.

- Fallen wall leading from opposite Budgens to Village hall car park - tree roots mean no point re-building the wall but bricks palleted up at SBC. Cllr Smith advised that as end of the budget year, this is one of the items that will be dealt with in new year.
- Resident suggested that DRAFT minutes of meetings from the Finance and Services Committee should be published before the full Parish Meeting so that facts and figures are available to share and answer questions.

## NOTED

### **5. To consider matters raised by Cllr T Alfred (report shared via email)**

Cllr Alfred advised he felt victimised by a resident present at last meeting

**RESOLVED:** all present advised that was a personal matter and not for discussion at PC meeting.

**6. Savio De Cruz- Assistant Director for Place and Operations at Slough Borough Council** has been invited to the meeting to discuss local highways matters.

**RESOLVED THAT Clerk to** contact Mr De Cruz and lodge a formal letter of complaint regarding no apology and no update/communication had been forthcoming.

### **7. To consider participating in the Big Lunch 2024**

The Big Lunch – a nationwide campaign to bring communities together.

**RESOLVED:** Agreed that Saturday 1st June 2024 event to be held at the Village Hall. Invite residents to bring picnics / set up table / music / activities for children?

**Add to Services Committee... add to Facebook and Website**

**Invite and advise ST Thomas/CRA/CCA/Scouts**

**Save the Date!! Ask Brenda, Caretaker Village hall to block the date.**

### **8. To appoint a representative to the Datchet Horton and Wraysbury NAG**

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Rana and Cllr Bartlett to attend/represent CwPPC accordingly.

### **9. To receive an update from the Services Committee**

- To appoint a grounds maintenance contractor for the 2024/25 season effective from June 2024.**

Cllr Evans reported that Matties are increasing their prices and that she had approached another company for quote – Ground Care who also provide similar service Plus felt they may offer a more responsible level of commitment/take photos of what they do. A bit more expensive but bins get emptied weekly and then others every 2 weeks.

**RESOLVED: One year contract with 3 month probationary period. Ground Care to be appointed and a unanimous show of hands from Cllrs present showed all in agreement**

- b. Planters and Shrubs – Cllr Buchanan advised LHR had cut back on support but as this item had already been approved in the PC Budget, we will proceed with purchasing/planting accordingly
- c. Broken wooden trough planters – LHR aware and will replace/replant in due course

**10 To receive an update from the Finance and Policy Committee**

- a. **For the council to approve the Financial Risk Register** (deferred from previous meeting)  
Cllr Bartlett advised the Clerk is working on these and they will be available .  
Quarterly statements of account will be available shortly.
- b. **To approve the Internal Controls Policy**  
Deferred until next meeting

**11. 20 is Plenty: To receive an update from Cllr Brenner**

Cllr Brenner advised that she had had a meeting with Savio De Cruz, Assistant Director for planning and operations SBC. Discussion had reached conclusion that a scaled back 20mph ZONE that will cover the High St/Park St/Bath Road/Vicarage Way/Coleridge Crescent – will have traffic/speed counters laid mid April for data collection. Early May will have results, then go to Residents for Consultation on implementation of scheme.

**12 To approve the payment list**

Cllr Bartlett to contact the Clerk and decide if a meeting of Executive Committee is required to sign off any payments due.

**13 Correspondence to the Chair**

NAG meeting recently flagged up flooding issue

**14 To confirm the date of the Annual Parish Meeting and presentation of the Colnbrook Cup to be 21 May 2024**

**RESOLVED:** date Confirmed and Nomination form to be circulated

**15 Date of next meeting.**

**14<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Closed at 20:37**