

COLNBROOK WITH POYLE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Colnbrook on Tuesday 3rd September 2019 at 7.30pm

Members Present: Chairman – Cllr A Babuta, Vice Chair – Cllr A - Escott

Cllrs Bedi, Bennett, John, Oakley, Rana, Small and Smith

Officer Present: Ms N Williams – Interim Clerk

Members of the Public: 15

The Chairman agreed to vary the order of consideration of some agenda items.

REF:		ACTION POINTS
PC/19/027	Welcome The Chairman extended a warm welcome to all present at the meeting.	
PC/19/028	Introduction of Interim Clerk The Chairman introduced Nadia Williams the interim clerk. Ms Williams would be clerking all meetings for the month of September and including the Parish Council meeting on 1st October 2019.	
PC/19/029	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Councillors (Cllr) Kahlon, Richardson and Virdi.	
PC/19/030	Declaration of Interests None.	
PC/19/031	Community Cup 2019 Award The winner of the Colnbrook Community Cup for 2019 was announced as Phil Stocker. The Chairman and Vice- Chairman presented Mr Stocker with the Cup following a brief statement as to why he was a worthy recipient. Photograph was taken with Mr Stocker, the Chairman, Vice-Chair, Cllr Bedi and Sean Kelly, the winner in 2018.	
	Mr Stocker gave a brief statement in appreciation of the award.	

PC/19/032

Public Session:

The following updates were received:

Community Group – Slough Active

Billy Cousins from Active Slough, outlined a proposal for setting up free wrestling classes for children in the Parish. Places would be limited and it was anticipated that the children would put on a show for local residents at some point in the future. Mr Cousin advised that he was about to submit a bid to fund this activity and requested support from the Parish Council. Cllr Bennett offered his support for this activity. Mr Cousin would liaise directly with Cllr Bennett to provide further details.

Billy Cousins to send bid details to Cllr Bedi

Cllr Bedi thanked Mr Cousins and the Active Slough Teams for all the work he was doing to engage children in the Parish.

Heathrow

Elizabeth Beale (Community Relations Manager) reported that Heathrow had launched new Rangers in July 2019 to work with the local community in Colnbrook and Stanwell Moor. Part of their activities would include litter picking, gardening and making parks more accessible for residents. Authorised vehicle parking areas would also be advertised to encourage drivers to park sensibly.

With regard to bin collections, work would also be undertaken in conjunction with work done by the Slough Borough Council (SBC). However, Ms Beale stressed that collection of household bins and knives were not in the remits of the Rangers as this was done by SBC.

Local community groups had been made aware of the people and provided with their contact details for raising issues of concern. Operating times are from 8am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday.

Thames Valley Police (TVP)

PC Garry Ryan circulated the Colnbrook, Poyle and Foxborough Crime statistics at the meeting. The document listed data for the last four weeks for Colnbrook, Poyle and Foxborough for the period between 1 and 29 August 2019.

Mr Ryan highlighted that there had been a 50% reduction in burglary and criminal damage. One hundred complaints had been received in 2018 but much reduced this year due to the effective joint working between the Police, Young people and Social Services.

An enforcement day would be taking place later on in 2019 and feedback would be provided to business groups.

There had been a reduction in the team but an additional member would be joining later on this year.

A resident raised concerns about the issue of the sabotage of chickens at Rayners Close. Cllr Escott advised that there had been a discussion about the ownership of the space in that area and efforts to identify the person that was responsible was being pursued.

Cllr Escott to provide update

Residents questioned whether the Environment Agency had been notified of the brook running dry and enquired about the possible cause. Residents were particularly concerned that the proposal to develop the brook would be delayed if the brook was dry.

Cllr Smith advised that part of the brook was dry for approximately one week in 2018.

Cllr Bedi to provide update

Cllr Bedi advised that she would raise the issue at the NAG meeting on Thursday 5 September 2019.

In response to a query from a resident regarding the proposal to provide a free bus service from Heathrow through Colnbrook to the Common Road Surgery, the Chairman advised that confirmation of date the service would commence operation was expected by early October 2019. The date would be posted on the Colnbrook with Poyle Council website as soon as it was confirmed.

A resident asked what action was being taken to address concern about the issue of over grown hedges. The Chairman advised that the hedges would be cut with the help of the Rangers but a response had yet to be received from Sam Hoti. Further details would be provided at the next Council meeting.

Cllr Babuta to provide update

In relation to concerns about the deterioration of the Old Blacksmiths land purchased by COSTA Coffee with a remit to open a store, a resident asked for an update on behalf of the King John's Palace Resident's Association. Cllr Bedi advised that this was a matter that had been subject to planning application amendments, the owners having opened 3 further stores over summer were now turning their efforts to the Colnbrook site and an update would be provided in due course. The owner of the land is in constant contact with Cllr Bedi. Discussions around hoarding being erected are taking place with a view to children from both schools putting hand prints on the hoarding once up. Cllr Bedi to report back.

Cllr Bedi to provide update

PC/19/033	Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st July 2019	
	Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 st July 2019 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
PC/19/034	Consideration of New Planning Application relating to the Parish of Colnbrook with Poyle	
	Cllr Smith reported that no new planning application had been received.	
PC/19/035	Recommendations from Finance and Policy Committee	
	A printed list was circulated at the meeting.	
	Cllr Bedi advised that Heathrow had donated £2,000 towards the Christmas lights.	
	Cllr Escott would raise the issue of a proposal to raise the financial contribution required by senior residents towards the charges for the use of the Village Hall.	Cllr Escott
	Resolved – That the list of payments in the sum of £15,571.40 (Inc. VAT) be confirmed and approved.	
PC/19/036	Recommendations from Service Committee	
	a) Appointment of Website Management	
	It was noted that the Chairman and Cllr Rana had been working closely with ICT in setting up the new website. The link to the new website had been sent electronically to all Cllrs for their feedback and comments.	
	One of the new features included a 'Newsletter' section where updates on events at the Parish Council would be publicised and would appear on a slider. Included in this feature would be the option for residents and Cllrs to subscribe to receiving automatic updates if they so wished.	
	Cllr profiles would include their email addresses and could also be set up on mobile devices. There was also a proposal to set up email addresses for all Cllrs and would no longer be required to use personal email addresses.	
	The Chairman confirmed that desktop/laptops and notice boards would still be in operation to ensure all communication was accessible by everyone in the community.	
	Cllr Rana would provide a demonstration of the new website at the next Council meeting.	

	b) Move Service Committee meetings to Tuesday before Finance and Policy Committee Meeting	
	During discussion of this proposal, Cllr Smith made a further proposal for both meetings to be held on the same evening with one following on after the other.	
	Members agreed for the Council to resolve into a Part 2 Committee of the Whole Council at the end of this meeting.	
PC/19/037	Areas of Responsibilities The following updates were received:	
	a) <u>Colnbrook Village Hall Trust</u>	
	Cllr Bedi reported that she would be raising the issue of senior citizens no longer being able to attend the pantomime free of charge. She advised that the Parish Council had paid for the tickets for senior citizens last year.	Cllr Bedi
	With regard to the issue of senior citizens being asked to make a contribution (which was due to be increased) towards the use of the Village Hall, Cllr Bedi advised that this would be outlined in the minutes of the Village Hall Trust meeting being held on 5 th September 2019. These would be reported to next Full Parish Council meeting.	provide update
	b) Colnbrook Community Partnership	
	Cllr Oakley reported that he was not present at the last meeting. He advised that a previous ambition for basic coding on the website had now been achieve. He requested dedicated green spaces in Colnbrook as well as a social media platform.	
	g) <u>Working Group towards a Colnbrook with Poyle Museum</u> <u>Trust</u>	
	Cllr Babuta advised that no meetings had been held.	
	Cllr Oakley reported that he had been made aware of a consultation on the initiatives by the Willan Charitable Trust which provided free trees for schools and communities. He advised that feedback from the consultation would be welcomed. Cllr Bedi to raise meeting at CVHT.	Cllr Bedi to report back
PC/19/038	Chairman's Correspondence	

a) Colnbrook Clean Up

Cllr Bedi invited all Cllrs to the forthcoming clean-up day on Saturday 21 September 2019 from 10am to 2pm. It was being supported by SBC and Heathrow.

b) Milestone Restoration Project Colnbrook

Cllr Smith advised that a quote of £1000 had been received for the restoration of the milestone in front of milestone cottage and the one situated at the Junction 5 roundabout (Island in the middle of the junction). The cost would be met from the Ward Councillor Budget.

One of the milestones was situated in a conservation area and a draft conservation area project plan was yet to be released by the Council. He urged the Parish Council to get involved in the project to spread the cost.

The Chairman suggested that further details would need to be provided to all Cllrs regarding the restoration of the milestones and reported to the next Council meeting.

c/d) Celebrating 25 Years – Parish Council and VE Day Celebration – 75 Years

It was noted that these celebrations would be taking place in 2020. Cllr Bedi advised that residents were being encouraged to provide memorable pictures and recordings to commemorate the events.

Cllr Small queried the purpose of celebrating 25 years of Parish Council and questioned whether this was good use of Parish resources. Cllr Smith suggested that the celebration would provide the opportunity to showcase the Parish Council's achievements over the 25 years.

e) Little Fishes Toddler Group

It was noted that Little Fishes Toddler Group met every Friday and was run by residents free of charge to all children. Little Fishers also provided free events for children during the school holidays. Equipment and resources were donated to the group.

An application for funding to support the work of Little Fishes Toddler Group had been submitted to the Parish Council.

Cllr Smith to provide further details

Cllr Escott & Cllr Bedi to gain further detail

Pippins School Mini Bus Funding Application	Cllr Bedi/
	F&P
It was noted that the Pippins School mini bus funding application would be reported to the next Finance Committee for a decision.	Chairman
Cllr Bedi would resend the application to the F&P Chairman for information.	Cllr Bedi/ Chairman

The meeting closed at 9.07pm.

