

MICKLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES

Unapproved Minutes of PC Meeting held on Weds 11th November 2015 in the Ranmore Room.

Cllrs present: J.Brown, G.Clark, W.Dennis, D.Ireland (Chair), J.Kinloch, A.McNaughton, D. Ottridge.

In attendance: D.Irvine (MVDC Cllr), PCSO Sadler, T.Haylett (Clerk).

Members of the public present: M. Flint, S. Hammond.

1. Formalities

(i) Apologies for absence – none.

(ii) Declarations of interest – none.

(391) Minutes of 17th September meeting agreed as correct.

2. Community Police Report

(392) 3 reported crimes - 1 burglary, 1 attempted break-in, 1 dog biting incident.

3. Open Forum - none

4. Broadband

(393) Mary Flint updated the meeting on recent developments including letters from BT OpenReach and Sir Paul Beresford. The need to obtain email addresses so residents can respond to SCC's Public Consultation following its broadband Open Market Review was discussed. As was the need to ensure broadband is at the top of the list in Mole Valley District Council's Infrastructure Needs Assessment. Mary Flint was again thanked for all her hard work.

5. Matters arising from the minutes

(394) DI gave an update on Roses Stores and said two articles would be appearing in the December Parish Magazine. No offers have been made though Ultra Organic still express an interest and there are one or two other interested parties.

6. Finance and Formalities

(395) Payments approved as follows:- Kings Landscapes – 2 x £240 (2 mowings in September and October); SSALC for Clerk recruitment assistance (£276); Solicitors (£456); SSALC agm (£36); Horticultural Society for Jubilee tree (£50). The bank balance is currently £8425.51.

7. Planning

(396) AM reported on a meeting that he, DI, GC and David Irvine had attended with representatives of Box Hill School regarding the planned Sports Centre. It was stated that the proposal would not be visible to the wider community, the School is not averse to local use outside school hours and parking within the School will be available for users in the evening.

Action: AM to draft a letter supporting the Box Hill School plans which will be sent to the case officer.

No opposition was expressed in regard to other planning applications.

8. Traffic, Road Safety

(397) There was discussion of County Councillor Hazel Watson's email to Box Hill School advocating that the 20mph speed limit outside the School be extended.

Action: DI to ask for more details on the suggestion.

9. Children's Recreation Ground

(398) The Children's Playground Association has been successful with a grant application to Surrey County Council for help with replacing equipment and has been awarded £15,000. That enables it to go to the London Marathon Trust to seek more funding.

(399) DI also reported on a meeting that he and GC had with Sarah Parfitt of the CPA to discuss a new lease of the Recreation Ground.

Action: WD proposed and DO seconded that DI and GC should be authorised to negotiate and agree the new lease with the CPA and, absent any material changes, to execute it on behalf of the Parish Council.

10. AOB (Meetings attended and reports received)

(400) DI and DO attended SALC and SCC annual conference.

RM and David Irvine attended a Cycling Forum aimed at promoting communication and understanding between cyclists, horse riders and motorists. Some limited progress was made. Horse riders appeared to have even more problems with cyclists than did motorists.

JB and DO attended a Gatwick Airport meeting.

JK attended a Norbury Park Liaison Committee meeting.

(401) JB pointed out that lights in the trees at Box Hill School were left on all night which was intrusive and suggested it would be a worthwhile initiative to invite students from the School to Parish Council meetings.

Action: DI to raise both matters with the School.

(402) It was pointed out that hinges on the gate from the Recreation Ground into Dell Close need to be reversed so it can't be opened without a key.

Action: JK to ask Andy Bullen to resolve the issue.

(403) JK and the Clerk reported that funding was now available from the British Heart Foundation which would cover defibrillator, a cabinet to house it and also a CPR training kit.

Action: The Clerk to complete a grant application form.

11. Future meeting dates and agendas

(403) The next meeting will be in the Ranmore Room at 7:30 on Wednesday 13th January.

At that meeting Cllrs will be asked to agree the budget for 2016/17 and precept.

(404) Dates for other 2016 PC meetings – 9th March, 11th May, 11th July, 14th Sept, 9th Nov.

Meeting of Trustees of Children's Recreation Ground

(405) GC proposed and JB seconded that the annual return for the CRG Trustees be adopted.

The meeting closed at 9:20 pm.