



West Meon Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE WEST MEON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30PM IN WEST MEON AND WARNFORD SPORTS PAVILION.

THOSE PRESENT: Cllr C Waller (Chair), Cllr R Morrish (Vice Chair), Cllrs C Adams, C Johnson, D Spencer-Healey and J Nicholson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs D Heppell (Clerk to the Council).

APOLOGIES: Cllr T Over and County Cllr R Huxstep ,City Cllr N Bodtger

Wmpc 1293 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or prejudicial interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda.

Wmpc 1294 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The Minutes of the Parish Meeting on 7th March 2016 were **approved**.

Wmpc 1295 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chairman opened the meeting to the public but there were no issues arising.

Wmpc 1296 **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerks report was received advising the Internal Audit visit due on 25th April and the date for submission of the WMPC annual return is 27th June 2016.

Enquiries were made regarding transfer of funds to a higher interest account, Unity advised that interest rates are so low, it is better that funds remain in existing account.

Annual Parish Meeting (APM), Winchester Action on Climate Change have confirmed attendance at the APM, it was **agreed** their presentation should be a more generic talk on energy.

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the HALC, Knowledge & Core Skills Training on evenings of 4th and 11th May 2016.

Council Nomination information for Upper Meon Valley was circulated amongst Councillors. The Poll is on the 5th May 2016. The two Parish Council vacancies have been advertised on the noticeboard and Parish News, this ended on 8th March. One response has been received from Mr John Jones whom Cllr Waller **agreed** to contact.

It was **agreed** that Councillors **Johnson** and **Morrish** would attend Chris Patterson's invitation from SDNP to a meeting on 18th May 2016 at 18:30 to 21.30.

TO RECEIVE WORKING GROUPS

Wmpc 1297 **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

The Chairman circulated the financial report from the Village Shop and Councillors **agreed** they would like a better understanding of the figures, including grants, increases, forecasts and repairs. The Parish Council received the report and agreed they would like to discuss figures in further detail with a member of the shop management committee and they are invited to the June Parish meeting. It was **agreed** that **Cllrs Nicolson** and **Johnson** would meet a representative of the shop committee who prepared the financial report. It was also agreed that there should be a replacement Parish Councillor on the Village Shop Committee and a volunteer was required for the Transport Forum if Utrick Casebourne is unable to attend.

It was **agreed** that **Cllrs Morrish** and **Johnson** would prepare a sheet on the local landscape Assessment for the Annual Parish meeting. The format of the APM was **agreed** and the Chairman **agreed** to prepare the agenda.

Cllr Waller advised that meetings will be held on Tuesdays from May in the small hall in the Village Hall.

The Chairman advised that all employers should provide pensions and it was **agreed** that WMPC as a good employer would provide a pension in 2017 for the Clerk.

Wmpc 1298 **HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION**

Cllr Waller advised that the lengthsman needs to look at the drains by the Red Lion and also by the A32 and Old Alton Road.

Cllr Morrish **agreed** to contact James Ulph to ascertain where timber needs collecting by the highway verges.

It was **agreed** that a handrail should be requested by the steps near the church and that Cllr Spencer-Healey would contact the Rights of Way Officer Martin Cowell to make enquiries for a new handrail.

Cllr Adams asked whether the Parish would consider the provision of a disabled parking space in the High Street. It was **agreed** that **Cllr Morrish** would make enquiries.

Wmpc 1299 **COMMUNITY AND RECREATION**

Cllr Spencer-Healey asked whether information could be provided on the Parish Council Website on the Village School. It was **agreed** that a link could be provided and Cllr Adams would action this.

Wmpc 1300 **SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

The Clerk provided a schedule of payments that was **agreed**.

Ch 300282 WCC Elections	£75.10
Ch 300283 WCC Dog Bins	£130.00
Ch 300284 HALC Fees 2016	£230.00
Ch 300285 HALC levy	£41.00
Ch 300286 Dog Bins WCC March 2016	£130.00

Ch 300287 Salary Clerk April 16
Ch 300275 Expenses Clerk

£28.54

Wmpc 1301 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT MEETING**

Co-option, Committee Structure and executive posts, Disabled Parking, Lengthsman.

Wmpc 1302 **DATES OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 3rd May, and Tuesday 7th June and Tuesday 5th July 2016.

Meeting finished at 8:35 pm

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Chairman