

ACOL PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th April 2018

Present: Councillors Miss Sheila Bransfield, D Hayfield, J Inchley, Mrs. Osborne and R. Steel.

Also Present: Councillors Crow-Brown, Ms. Hurst and R Wade (Clerk to the Council).

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: that Councillor Miss Bransfield be elected Chairman of the Council for the year 2018/19.

Councillor Miss Bransfield took the declaration of acceptance of office.

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor J Inchley was appointed Vice Chairman of the Council for the year 2018/19.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2018 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman had no further matters to report upon as she had reported to the Parish Assembly Meeting.

6. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED: That the following Members represent the Council at:

Thanet Area Local Committee	Cllr. Miss Bransfield
Parish Forum	Cllr. Steel
Thanet Rural Regeneration Group	Cllr. Miss Bransfield
Kent Association of Local Councils	Cllr. Steel
KIACC	Cllr. Inchley

7. AUDIT OF PARISH COUNCIL RECORDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2007

RESOLVED: that

- (i) the financial records tabled at the meeting for the period to 31 March 2018 be approved and submitted to the Council's Internal Auditor,
- (ii) the current account balance in the sum of £9256.32 be noted; and
- (iii) no payments schedule was tabled as no invoices for payment had been received.

8. REPORTS OF MEMBERS

Cllr. Mrs. Osborne

- (i) Neighbourhood Watch no residents had come forward to serve on the body and Cllr Osborne would put an item in the next Village Voice try to encourage more support.
- (ii) the property opposite her was to be demolished, and

- (iii) the newly erected property next to the Church was unsightly and it was believed it was going to be used as a show house.

Cllr. Inchley

- (i) the planning for the refurbishment of the Village Hall was progressing well.
- (ii) the Village Hall Committee would be discussing the implications of these works on bookings and issues, and
- (iii) consideration was being given to holding a publicity drive to seek residents views on the future strategy for bookings.

Cllr. Steel

- (i) Average usage 43 hits per month,
- (ii) Facebook has 105 individual subscribers and the most popular hits were Acol Hill (snow) and Speedwatch,
- (iii) getting the Speedwatch scheme running again was beset by delays for various reasons. In the first session proper, 35 vehicles were caught breaking the 30-mph limit in 1 hour, 3 of them doing more than 50, and
- (iv) Litter – fighting a losing battle! Many thanks to volunteers but, as fast as we clear it up, there's more litter. Co-ordinated action across Thanet is required – and greater focus from central Government – national problem. More support from the community would be appreciated.

Cllr Hayfield

- (i) RoSPA have expressed approval for grass surfacing for play areas and Serco being asked for the cost,
- (ii) new picnic table and gate have been installed and one complaint was received that the gate is not user friendly for disabled people,
- (iii) Drones and the need for tighter control over their usage. Flying without CAA approval and certification or insurance is illegal, as is flying over people and properties. If seen, the police should be immediately advised,
- (iv) CCTV was proving useful in establishing problems within the Village, and
- (v) Broadband complaints had been made to BT in respect of the slow speeds. BT had advised connection to fibre and this had improved the situation.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on 14th May 2018 at 6.00 pm and that the principal item would be the Parish Council's need to register for the data protection requirements.

Time concluded: 16.45