

PRESTON CANDOVER AND NUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date:	Monday 17 th June 2013.	Time:	7:30pm
Venue:	Preston Candover Village Hall		
Present:	Keith Irons	Chairman	
	Alan Owencroft		
	Marion Philips		
	David Wilson		
	Alex Taylor		
	Wendy Simson	Clerk	
	PC Andy Reid		
Apologies:	Charles Bradshaw	Vice-Chairman	
	Daphne Prosser		
	Rob Marks		

124 Apologies

The Chairman explained that Councillors Prosser and Marks were not able to attend the meeting and had sent their apologies. The Vice Chairman was also not present. Councillor Wilson had informed the Clerk that he may be a few minutes late arriving.

125 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the May meeting were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting, and were signed by the Chairman.

126 Election of new Councillor

The Chairman introduced Alex Taylor to the Council and explained to Alex that the short statement about him had been discussed at the last meeting. Alex explained that he was keen to be involved with the village and would be pleased to accept the role on the Parish Council. Councillors Phillips and Owencroft both seconded the Chairman's suggestion to welcome Alex onto the Council.

The Chairman formally welcomed Councillor Taylor to the meeting.

Action: Clerk to ensure Councillor Taylor completes the register of member's interests.

127 Police update

PC Reid explained that there had been a number of incidents since the last meeting including the following:-

- 15/5 – tree across the road at Moundsmere Manor
- 15/5 – Suspicious van pulling a horsebox with no registration plates at Moundsmere Manor
- 8/6 – Car through fence at Nutley then overturned.

PC Reid explained that there was still a number of oil tanks being drained in the rural areas around Basingstoke and delivery drivers were being asked to be vigilant about anyone following them. A dog had also been returned to its owner 3 years after it was taken as a puppy.

128 **Matters Arising**

Lengths Man Role – The Chairman explained that he had looked at the role of the Lengths Man and had found a number of local Parishes where the role was being carried out. The Clerk also explained that this role had been talked about at the Candovers Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 11th June and there was agreement in sharing someone across the 2 parishes. The Chairman explained that he was yet to check with the County about funding for the role but he would check this. The Chairman asked the Councillors to bring a list of jobs that they would expect this person to carry out so an estimate of the number of hours required could be calculated. The Chairman also asked the Clerk to speak to George Hiller, who has the role at Upton Grey, about what his duties include.

Action: Chairman to check with Hampshire County Council about funding the role.

Action: Councillor to draw up a list of activities expected of the post

Action: Clerk to speak to George Hiller

Highways Link for Councillors to report pot holes – The Clerk included the website link in the last minutes which is <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/index/transport/roadproblems.htm>

Additional Street Lamp – The Chairman explained that a price of £439.57 had been quoted for putting an additional lamp by the lay-by in Preston Candover. The Council asked about the additional charge for the DNO, but this was not clear. It was agreed that this cost needed to be understood before the quote could be considered.

Action: Clerk to confirm with SSE what DNO is and how much it will be to connect the lighting unit to it.

Vacancy for Councillor – Councillor Taylor has filled this vacancy

Village Hall meetings – Councillor Owencroft has agreed to attend the Village Hall meeting as a representative from the Parish Council to try to ensure the Parish Council are able to support where required. The next meeting for the Village Hall Committee is Thursday 4th July, so Councillor Owencroft will report back to next meeting.

Action: Councillor Owencroft to report back to next meeting about Village Hall needs

War Memorial – The Clerk explained that although she had contacted Alison Davidson a couple of times she had not received the quotes etc. The Chairman suggested that the Clerk contact Blackwell and Moody direct to get copies of the quotes.

Action: Clerk to get copies of quotes

Asset Register for allotment land – The Chairman explained that this land should not be on the asset register for the Parish Council as it was the property of the Charity set up to administer the money.

Speed Identification Device – The Chairman explained that he was meeting with the County Council on 4th July and would discuss using part of the section 106 funds to pay for this device.

Action: Chairman to report to next meeting

Village Store – Councillor Marks was not at the meeting to give an update

Document storage – The Clerk explained that it had been confirmed that the records held by Hampshire Records Office could have the paperwork from Mr Osgood added to it. The Clerk also had an inventory of what was currently being held.

Vacancy for Allotment For the Labouring Poor Committee – The Chairman explained that Caroline Dawnay had filled this vacancy.

129 Financial statement

The Clerk explained that the issues with the bank account had now been sorted out and the text service set up. The charges for the accounts being over drawn had also been repaid and £100 given as compensation for the issues. The Parish Council agreed this was a good resolution to the situation.

The Clerk explained that an additional 82p had been paid in interest on the Business Instant Access account.

The Clerk talked through the 5 payments due to be made from the agenda which were:-

- £160.60 for street lighting maintenance
- £120.00 for grass maintenance
- £235.20 PAYE
- £354.30 Clerk's salary
- £195 for membership of HALC

All these payments were agreed and the cheques signed.

The Clerk also explained that the VAT return had been returned as it had been completed on an old form and this had been re-submitted for payment.

130 Planning Applications

The planning application for Tuller Hill was discussed and it was agreed that although the plans increased the overall size of the property that it was in keeping with the build and there was to be no objection.

Action: [Clerk to send confirmation of Councils decision to Basingstoke and Deane.](#)

131 Council Property

The Chairman explained that he was going to get the coordinates of the piece of land at Preston Oakhills in order that it could be registered with the land registry.

The Chairman also explained that he had spoken to the solicitor for Mr Paravacini and they were not able to confirm if they owned the land on which the Parish Council were proposing to put a bench for people waiting for the bus. However, the solicitors were happy to send through a letter confirming that if the land did belong to Mr Paravacini then he was happy for the bench to be put there. The Chairman explained that once this letter was received then a base and fixing would need to be put down to ensure the bench was stable and also to stop it being taken.

Action: [Chairman to report at next meeting](#)

The Chairman also explained that the work to bus shelter should be completed in the next couple of weeks.

132 Section 106 funds

The Chairman explained that he was meeting with Mr Steve Pellet, Ms Holly Drury and Mr Keith Holdsworth on Thursday 4th July to discuss a number of items including :-

- The School Travel Plan
- Making footpath 9 into a cycle way
- Extending footpaths to both ends of Preston Candover
- Pedestrian road markings

The Chairman asked if any of the Councillors could join him at this meeting.

Action: Chairman to report back at next meeting

133 Flooding

Nothing further to report

134 Valley & Council Website

Councillor Wilson explained that trying to arrange the training for both Councillor Philips and Councillors Peisley from Candovers Parish Council was proving difficult as finding dates that everyone could do was not easy. It was agreed that Councillor Wilson would arrange a date when most people could do and then those not present could be briefed later.

Councillor Wilson also agreed that the meeting with the Oxdrove organisers needed to be arranged to ensure they were comfortable with the website not taking their revenue.

Action: Councillor Wilson to organise meetings and ensure those required are invited.

The Chairman asked about the survey and it was agreed that this would be “dusted off” and sent out in September after people had been on holiday.

Action: Councillor Wilson to get the survey ready to go on the website.

135 Play areas

Councillor Owencroft explained that he had ordered the stock of paint and bits from Lapset and these were due to be delivered by 9th July. Councillor Owencroft agreed that he would then get this work carried out.

Action: Councillor Owencroft to report at next meeting about the re-furbishment of the play area.

Councillor Owencroft also presented the quote for repairs to the skate park which were just over £1,000. It was agreed that 3 of the 4 items listed on the inspection report Councillor Owencroft could carry out himself. He would then liase with Bernard Crisp about the risk level and moving forward.

Action: Councillor Owencroft to report at next meeting about the re-furbishment of the skate park.

The Chairman explained that the grass at the play area was very uneven and asked the Council about their thoughts on trying to level it.

136 Highways

There are still huge numbers of pot holes and the Chairman asked that Councillors report them via the website.

137 Rights of Way

Councillor Philips explained that the 2nd of the rural walks had started dry but they had been caught in a huge downpour and so the second half of the walk had been less pleasant. The next walks were on 27th July and 15th September. Councillor Philips agreed that after the final walk a decision could be made about planning them again for 2014.

138 General Correspondence

The Clerk explained that the Jubilee Committee had £700 in the account which had been saved for Preston Candover & Nutley Parish Council and Candovers Parish Council each to buy a tree to commemorate the event. As this money had not been spent, it was suggested that half be sent to both Parish Councils so a tree could be bought when required.

139 Any other business

The Clerk raised Councillor Prosser's question about the grass cutting at the church and the Council agreed that this should be directed the Vicar.

140 Date of next meeting

Monday 15th July 2013 at 7:30pm at the Preston Candover Village Hall, however if it is decided that there isn't enough to talk through then this meeting may be cancelled.