

## PRESTON CANDOVER AND NUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF PARISH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2017.	<b>Time:</b>	7:30pm
<b>Venue:</b>	Preston Candover Village Hall		
<b>Present:</b>	Paul Sadler Ruth Chattell Daphne Prosser Tina Spicer PC Andy Reid Wendy Simson	Vice Chairman	
<b>Apologies:</b>	Alex Taylor Rob Marks Tish Owencroft Ian Simpson	Clerk	Chairman

#### 856 Apologies

The Chairman, Councillors Owencroft, Simpson and Marks were not able to attend the meeting and sent apologies

#### 857 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September were discussed. The point 843 it recorded that the SID would be rotated through several locations which included the hill in Nutley which should read the hill in Axford. The minutes were then approved as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Vice Chairman.

#### 858 Police Update

PC Reid apologies for not being able to attend the last meeting, he explained that there had been several incidents since his last report in September, they were:

- 6/9 – tree across the B3046 in Preston Candover
- 19/9 – concern for a female resident in Preston Candover
- 22/9 – a damage road traffic incident where wing mirrors touched in Preston Candover
- 25/9 – a damage road traffic incident with a car coming out of a drive in Axford
- 26/9 – a suspicious car seen at Moundsmere, the driver was stopped and charged with firearm offences and an air rifle seized
- 16/10 – a vagrant man seen in Preston Candover & Axford, PC Reid checked, and all was in order
- 26/10 – a road traffic incident in Axford concerning overtaking
- 4/11 – Fireworks event in Preston Candover, thanks to school and Village Hall Committee for assistance

- 4/11 – a damage road traffic incident in Nutley with a car overturned
- 5/11 – a loose horse in Axford
- 8/11 – an abandoned 999 call, all in order
- 15/11 – a damage road traffic incident in Preston Candover on B3046, one driver did not stop

The crimes report since the last meeting were:

- 5/9 – an “other crime” reported
- 7/9 – a non-dwelling burglary at Moundsmere Manor
- 19/9 – an assault was report in Preston Candover
- 20/9 – criminal damage to a latch gate in Preston Candover
- 26/9 – a firearms offence in Preston Candover
- 30/9 – theft reported
- 24/10 – criminal damage to crops
- 31/10 – a dwelling burglary in Church Lane

The Vice Chairman thanked PC Reid for his support in keeping the village safe.

## 859 Matter arising

**Speed Indication Device (SID) data** – the Clerk explained that there had been a fault with the devises and that one had been repaired and was now working and the other had worked but was now away being fixed. A full set of data had therefore not been collected but it was hoped that they would both be in all the locations before the next meeting and data could be collected and shared.

**Action:** Clerk to bring SID data to next meeting

**Lengthsman Duties** – the Vice Chairman reported that he had met with the Lengthsman and looked at the list of work to be completed. This included the roof on the bus shelter which the Lengthsman has agreed to complete. The ivy on the sign to Police House has been cleared by the Vice Chairman.

Councillor Chattell suggested an advert for the Oxdrove to say what the Lengthsman was doing and to encourage others to do their bit with clearing ditches etc along their property.

**Action:** Councillor Chattell to circulate completed Oxdrove article to all for sign off.

**Bus Service** – Councillor Prosser reported that there was nothing further to add since the last meeting and that the revised timetable had been requested from Cresta Coaches.

**Street Lighting service contract** – The Clerk has asked for prices for both the annual contract and changes bulbs on an issue by issue basis, once these have been received they can be circulated to the Councillors ready for budgets to be agreed at the January meeting.

**Action:** Clerk to send round prices

**War Memorial Base** – the Vice Chairman reported that this was still to do but as the grass cutting season had passed that if it was done before spring that it would ensure the memorial was not damaged by strimming in the future.

**Action:** Vice Chairman to organise a date for work to be completed

The Councillors also discussed the posts round the war memorial area as these are rotting and need to be replaced. It was suggested that the large posts used by the telephone box in Preston Candover could be used as replacements or smaller posts like the existing ones.

**Action:** Chairman to bring costs to next meeting

## 860 Financial Update

The Clerk presented the finance report.

Three cheques have been signed off since the last meeting, it was:

- £228.00 – grass cutting (September)
- £1,000.00 - Contribution to lay-by project
- £4,752.00 – war memorial

There were three payments to be signed off at the meeting they were:

- £120.00 – external audit
- £27.75 – paint and brushes for posts around war memorial
- £114.00 – grass cutting (October)

There had been two major payments received which were £450.00 from Ellisfield Parish Council and £2,970.00 from the war memorial trust.

The Clerk explained that the external Audit was carried out by BDO in June and the report recorded that the asset value had been increased for 16/17 due to the addition of the extra piece of play equipment at the children's play area. This was purchased at the end of 15/16 and so the asset value should have been increased for this contract year.

The budget process for 18/19 was discussed and a template showing the values of the grants and precept were included along with the basic spending. It was agreed that the councillors would consider what needed to be included ready for the January meeting to ensure this was signed off by 31<sup>st</sup> January as required.

**Action:** Councillor to bring any suggestion to the next meeting.

## 861 Lay-by project

Councillor Chattell reported that the work was completed just in time for the school children returning and that the feedback about the work done has been very positive. There were concerns about BT digging up part of the lay-by to lay more cables for the internet, but this was kept to a minimum.

Councillor Chattell asked if the leaves could be cleared from the back of the lay-by around the drains to ensure they were blocked and to stop worms attacking the road surface

**Action:** Vice Chairman to enquire if the leaves could be used on the farm

## 862 Planning

None

## 863 Rights of Way

Councillor Chattell asked about the area along the Dummer Road which floods and if the Lengthsman could clear the grip and allow this to run off. The Clerk explained that the Lengthsman was not allowed to work on the highway and that the site mentioned was within Candovers Parish Council area.

**Action:** Clerk to bring up at Candovers Parish Council meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> November

**Action:** Clerk to speak to Highways about clearing grips

Following the meeting the Clerk contacted Highways to investigate the grips and drainage in the area. The website to report any instances in future is:

[www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance](http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance)

**864 Children's play areas**

The Vice Chairman reported that the proposal to put spikes on the top of the slide and swings was not accepted by the inspectors of the play area, however cable ties could be used along the top of the swings to stop the birds sitting there and making a mess to the swing seats.

**Action:** Vice Chairman to source and fit cable ties

**865 Highways**

Councillor Prosser reported that there had been no further work done on the pot holes in the area.

**866 Council Property**

Nothing to report

**867 Community Store Update**

There is nothing further to report now

**868 General Correspondence**

None

**869 Any other business**

Councillor Chattell, the Vice Chairman and the Clerk attended the Cliddesdon Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November to hear about the Good Neighbour Project. It was agreed that the project would not be sustainable for just Preston Candover but if all the Councils affected by the changes to the bus service found 2 committee members each that it may work.

**Action:** Councillor Chattell to draft a piece to go to the other Parish Councils

**870 Meeting dates for 2018**

The following dates were agreed to 2018:

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November

The May meeting would include the AGM and the Parish meeting would be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April

**871 Date of next meeting**

Parish Council meeting to be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm