

SOUTHBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting held at St John's Church Centre, Southbourne on 12 January 2016.

Present: Mr J Brown, Mr C Bulbeck (Chairman), Mr Ferguson Mr Hayes*, Mr G Hicks*, Mr P Hicks, Mr M Lane, Mrs Russell and Mr Withers.

*Also District Councillors for Southbourne

Four members of the public.

Apologies for Absence

222. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs M Bulbeck, Mr Finch* and Mr Feltham.

Declarations of Interest

223. Mr Hayes declared a prejudicial interest in the grant application from 4Sight as a recipient of its services.

Minutes

224. Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2015 be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

Open Forum

225. No items were raised

Green Ring

226. The Council received the COMA briefing notes on the possible management arrangements for the Green Ring. Given the advice received the best option at the moment appeared to be to establish a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, CIO ("New Co") to manage the Green Ring.

227. Mr Fergusson proposed, seconded by Mr Hayes that subject to the receipt of the £9936 grant from COMA, the Council obtains further legal and tax advice to enable it to establish "New Co".

228. Resolved – that subject to the grant of £9936 being received from COMA further legal and tax advice be obtained to enable the Council to establish "New Co".

229. Before the CIO was established it was likely that the Council would be in receipt of land from developers that would eventually form the link to the footbridge and this land would need to be managed.

230. Members were pleased to note that a number of the free trees the Council had received as part of the Green Ring project had been planted in the grounds of the Bourne School.

County Councillor's Report

231. The report was received and taken as read.

District Councillor's Report

232. Mr Hayes highlighted a number of issues in the report previously circulated. The report was noted.

Police Report

233. None received.

Finance

234. Payments – Resolved that the following payments be approved and the payments made in accordance with Financial Regulations approved on 8 December 2015 be noted:

SSE Contracting	Street Light Faults Invoice 564914	£379.12
SSE Southern Elec	Electricity supply	£1,454.07
Viking	Supplies	£259.80
Employees	Aggregate Pay & Expenses	£1,557.15
	Tree removed on Recreation	
JDS	Ground	£165.00
HMRC	Tax & NI	£704.59
	Total	<hr/> £4,519.73

Transfer from Savings Account £4,519.73

Payments Made on 15 December 2015

SSE Contracting Ltd	Street Light Faults Invoice 552810	£466.09
SSE Contracting Ltd	Street Light Faults Invoice 553676	£217.21
SSE Contracting Ltd	Street Light Faults Invoice 553678	£578.89
	Pavilion Invoice 10 December	
SSE Southern Elec	2015	£34.13
SSE Contracting Ltd	Street Light Faults Invoice 556071	£122.81
	Total	<hr/> £1,419.13

Transfer from Savings Account £1,419.13

235. Mr Hayes left the room during consideration of the following item.

236. Grant Application – Resolved – that a grant of £300 be made to 4Sight.

237. Mr Hayes returned to the meeting.

238. Bank Reconciliation – the reconciliation as at 31 December 2015 was noted.

Footpath 3675

239. It was noted that a resident had an outstanding freedom of information request to West Sussex County Council that could be of interest to the Parish Council in considering whether to proceed with an application for a definitive map modification order. Members deferred the item pending the outcome of the freedom of information request.

Electoral Review of West Sussex

240. Members noted that the Local Government Boundary Commission has published its draft recommendations for the future electoral arrangements for West Sussex County Council. No changes were proposed for the Chichester area.

HM The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacons - 21 April 2016.

241. The Queen's Pageant Master had invited councils and other organisations to light a Beacon on 21 April 2016 to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday and register the event with the Pageant Master by 18 April 2016.

242. Members agreed that the Scouts should be approached about preparing a beacon at Prinsted and Mr Ferguson would contact the Scout Leader.

Items for Future Meetings

243. Members agreed to consider the Clerk's hours at the February meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

244. 9 February 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.