

**PURLEY ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Parish Office,**

**on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Mrs S Briscoe (Chairman)      Mr G Rolfe      Mr R Farrow      Mr M Bishop  
Mr R Jones      Mrs P Beddoes

**In attendance:** Mrs C Lamb, Clerk

**P18/68      TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –**

Apologies from Mr B Ayling, Mrs C Collier, Mrs S Sinclair, Mr N Haughton and Mr S Chester were accepted.

**P18/69      TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –**

Mr R Farrow – PSSC, PJFC and PFC  
Mr M Bishop – PSSC, PoTCC

**P18/70      TO RECEIVE ANY STATEMENT OR QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

No members of the public attended.

**P18/71      TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM THE MINUTES – to confirm as a correct record the**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7pm

Minutes were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

**P18/72      PAST SUBJECT MATTERS FOR REPORT ONLY (*that are not already on the agenda*).**

No items were raised.

**P18/73      TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES AND TO NOTE THEIR DECISIONS THERETO:**

Planning Committee – 18 <sup>th</sup> June and 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Noted
Highways and Footpaths Committee – 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Noted
Recreation Committee – 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Noted
Barn Committee – 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Noted

**P18/74      CLERKS REPORT**

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| i) Payments and receipts for months 3             | Noted |
| ii) Budget – to receive the latest budget update. | Noted |
| iii) Correspondence not already circulated.       | None  |

**P18/75      TO APPROVE THEE UPDATED FINANCIAL RISK ASSESSMENT FOR 2018.**

The updated Financial Risk Assessment was accepted and approved (unanimous).

**P18/76 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman presented her report to the Committee which include the following:

- Meeting with insurance brokers to prepare for tendering for the Councils next insurance contract to start from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.
- Update on initial four weeks trial of using a security firm to lock entrance gates to Goosecroft Recreation Ground for a temporary period. This trial was arranged by the Clerk using her delegated authority.
- Update on West Berkshire Council's decision that footpaths on Springs Farm/Saltney Meadow should not be added to the official map of permitted footpaths.
- Expenses for the Armistice Celebration

It was proposed that £1000 of the Grant budget be assigned to Armistice Celebrations budget. There was unanimous support for this proposal which would be added to the PC Meeting Agenda in September 2018.

- Local Council Awards Scheme – the Chairman asked the Council to support the Clerks proposal that the Council work towards and apply for Foundation Level, in the first instance.

**P18/77 RESOLUTIONS**

P18/77-1 **To approve funds for a six months trial of using a security contractor to lock the gates at Goosecroft Recreation Ground at night after legitimate use of Goosecroft facilities has ended for the day.**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve funds for an additional five months of service by a security contractor which would provide a six months trial in total. The impact of using the security contractor would be reviewed at the PC meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

P18/77-2 **To approve the funds required to replace the entrance gate and supporting posts into the allotments.**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the funds required to replace the entrance gate and supporting posts into the allotments at a cost of £463.00. The signs on the existing gate would need to be transferred.

P18/77-3 **To consider whether a height restriction barrier at the allotments site is required and to approve a budget.**

It was **RESOLVED** that a height restriction barrier was not necessary for the allotments site.

P18/77-4 **To consider a proposal for the Parish Council to adopt an approved process for parish residents to request assistance from the Parish Council and to make clear expectations relating to any costs that are involved.**

It was **RESOLVED** not to adopt the proposal as a formal policy but that Councillors could use the proposal for guidance. (unanimous)

Mrs Briscoe thanked Mrs Langford for her work on the proposal.

**P18/78 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Mr Rick Jones presented a verbal District Councillor report:

- WBC investment in commercial property to generate income.
- From September, WBC will be charging residents £50 per year for the collection of garden waste from green wheelie bins. The charge does not apply to food waste.
- A new school sited on Newbury College site would be going-ahead.
- Mr Jones had met with the Building Communities Team at WBC regarding the community group that had started in Purley on Thames.

**P18/79 TO RECEIVE ANY MEMBERS ITEMS FOR THE NEXT PC MEETING**

Review of security contract.

*The Chairman will move that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s 1(2), the press and public is excluded from the meeting whilst confidential matters are discussed*

*Part Two*

**P18/80** No item was discussed under Part Two.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Parish Council Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018