

CHANDLER'S FORD PARISH COUNCIL – FULL COUNCIL

16 MARCH 2015 DOVETAIL CENTRE, WINCHESTER ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Councillor Atkinson (Chairman), Councillors, Bicknell, Boyes (Vice Chairman), Broadhurst, Bull, Cox, Duguid, Foulds, Grajewski, Hughes, Jolly, Johnson, Leslie, Luffman, Pragnell, Scott and Simmonds.

In Attendance: Duncan Murray (Parish Clerk), Sukey Spurlock (Assistant Parish Clerk), PC Richard Moody.

There was one member of the public present.

Public Participation

The Chairman opened the floor to Mr Mohammad Mossadaq who spoke about the Eastleigh Mela which is listed in the Guinness Book of Records for baking the largest naan bread. Asking for support for the registered charity that put on this gathering which is attended by 6-7,000 people, he briefed Members on the activities available: music and dance on stages, food from across the world, a health zone (staffed by health professionals) and a children's zone. He asked about grant funding from the Parish Council reporting that the Mela was supported by Hampshire County Council, Eastleigh Borough Council and various other bodies.

The Chairman thanked Mr Mossadaq for his time and suggested that he speak with the Clerk about generic grant funding opportunities and the Granted to You event.

541 APOLOGIES

These were received from Cllr Aubry.

542 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were none

543 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

The Chairman opened the floor to PC Moody who reported that initiatives were underway targeting drug use in the Rufus Pub which had been successful. He also reported on the Chandler's Ford Pubwatch Scheme which was up and running and would mean that anti-social behaviour in one pub resulting would mean that you were banned from all pubs in the scheme. It was mentioned that the spate of burglaries had dropped following the arrest of an individual and him being held in remand. He stressed that it was important for residents to report suspicious incidences on 101 as it added to information available to officers.

PC Moody also mentioned the Hampshire Alert website and that having registered it sent out relevant information to the individual and their circumstances and location, such as local thefts.

He also mentioned that the Speedwatch team had identified sites and were ready to go as soon as the delayed equipment was delivered.

Members asked a few questions about verge parking, suspicious incidents and seeming confusion by handlers on the 101 service over the reporting of verge parking that was causing obstruction.

The Chairman thanks PC Moody for his input and time.

544 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman gave her report which was centred on the possibility of creating a Community Association for the Fryern area of the Parish. The Clerk was asked to prepare a paper for the next meeting so that the viability, activities, scope, membership and funding issues of a community association could be looked at particularly with reference to aspects such as potentially running the pavilion. The Clerk was also requested to have 2 comparatives of activities

545 TO APPROVE/ACCEPT MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

- a) To approve the minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 26 January 2015.

A Councillor who had sent his apologies to that meeting, questioned the content of the minutes. He was reminded that the item on the agenda was as to their accuracy. It was noted that indeed Cllr Leslie was at the December meeting and Cllr Boyes was not.

Following a show of hands the minutes were AGREED.

- b) To accept the minutes of the Asset Management Committee of 9 February 2015 previously signed on 9 March 2015; and to approve the minutes of that committee's meeting of 9 March 2015.

The minutes of the meeting of 9 February were noted and following a show of hands the minutes of 9 March 2015 were AGREED.

- c) To approve the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee of 2 March 2015, to note the financial reports, and to ratify the payments agreed by that committee.

Following a show of hands the minutes were AGREED.

546 AGREEING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- i) To AGREE to the RECOMMENDATION from the Asset Management Committee of 9 February 2015 that the RidgeRider remain out of use, but not be disposed of until replacement equipment has been agreed.

Following proposal by Cllr Hughes and being seconded by Cllr Pragnell the RECOMMENDATION was AGREED.

- ii) To AGREE to the Recommendation from the Asset Management and Policy and Finance Committees that a working party of 5 Members drawn from the Committees have delegated authority to prioritise the spend and management of Asset Funds for the 2015-2016 financial year, reporting back to the Asset Management Committee for final decision.

It was noted that the phrase 'requirement of the' was missing from the motion which should have read '*...delegated authority to prioritise the requirement of the spend...*'. Following this correction the RECOMMENDATION was proposed by Cllr Bull and seconded by Cllr Grajewski and on a show of hands AGREED.

- iii) To AGREE to the RECOMMENDATION from the Policy and Finance Committee to progress the Granted to You scheme with a closing date for applications of 1 May 2015 and a presentation evening after the general election

The RECOMMENDATION was proposed by Cllr Bull and seconded by Cllr Grajewski and AGREED on a show of hands.

- iv) To AGREE to the RECOMMENDATION from the Policy and Finance Committee and Asset Management Committee that additional staff be recruited and that this be delegated to the HR Committee within a minimum budget of £12,000.

The RECOMMENDATION was proposed by Cllr Bull and seconded by Cllr Cox and AGREED on a show of hands.

- v) To AGREE the RECOMMENDATION from the Policy and Finance Committee that the Internal Auditor and the Accountants be retained for the 2014-2015 Audit checks and preparing the accounts.

The RECOMMENDATION was proposed by Cllr Grajewski and seconded by Cllr Bull and agreed. It was noted that it was time for a review of provider.

- vi) To AGREE the RECOMMENDATION from the Asset Management Committee that the Council introduce Terms and Conditions of Hire and associated fees (£475 per quarter) for commercial fitness training on their open spaces.

Following proposal by Cllr Hughes and being seconded by Cllr Bicknell the RECOMMENDATION was AGREED on a show of hands.

547 TO AGREE A REVISED DATE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL DUE TO EBC HAVING THEIR ANNUAL MEETING ON THE 18 MAY AS WELL.

Cllr Bicknell questioned the changing of the date for the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council from the 18 May to the 20th within 6 months of the motion being resolved. Within the terms of Standing Order 10 (a. xv) Cllr Grajewski proposed that the relevant Standing Order [7 (a)] be suspended. This was seconded by Cllr Luffman and AGREED.

The original motion was proposed by Cllr Grajewski and seconded by Cllr Cox and on a show of hands AGREED.

548 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported back on the pensions provision advice given at the HALC conference, the potential significant financial risks associated with the Local Government Pension Scheme fund shortfalls, and commented that he could not progress any work on the statutory provision of pensions due to having a significant conflict of interest as an employee and as the Responsible Finance Officer. It was agreed to take the pensions provision to the Policy and Finance Committee's next Agenda.

The Clerk was happy to be able to report that the Internal Auditor had done her initial and systems audit and had no adverse comments to make.

549 TO AGREE MATTERS TO BE TAKEN TO THE NEXT AGENDA OF THE COUNCIL.

The discussion of a potential Fryern Community Association was to be taken forwards to the next Agenda.

That being all the business the meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

Date and place of next meeting: 27 April 2015 after the Annual Parish Meeting, Kent Room, Velmore Centre, Falkland Road.

Chairman.....