

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 11 MAY 2017

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs J Tomblin (Chairman), Cllr Mrs S Cameron, Cllr Mrs P Chester-Master, Cllr Mrs R Freyne and Cllr N Price

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E Hamey, Cllr S Parsons (CDC and GCC) and Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk)

1. **Election of Chairman**
RESOLUTION 14/17
Cllr Mrs Julie Tomblin was unanimously re-elected to hold office until the Annual Council Meeting 2018
The Chairman signed the Acceptance of Office
2. **Election of Vice Chairman**
RESOLUTION 15/17
Cllr Mrs Sue Cameron was unanimously re-elected to hold office until the Annual Council Meeting 2018
3. **Apologies and Reasons for Absence**
Cllr G Edwards (Personal), Mr A Stone and Cllr S Parsons (CDC & GCC)
4. **Declarations of Interest and Update Register of Members' Interests (as required)**
None
5. **Acceptance and signing of Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday, 2 March 2017**
RESOLUTION 16/17
The Minutes were unanimously agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.
6. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
Grants for Defibrillators
The Clerk advised that Mrs Sutton is willing to take on the project. Cllr Parsons had confirmed that there is a CDC grant available of £500 and Members agreed that whilst the Council would be prepared to make a contribution, most of the funding would need to come from residents.
It was suggested, however, that as Cirencester Hospital is so close it might be more practical to phone the Emergency number. In the circumstances, the Clerk was requested to consult other Parishes such as Chedworth to find out how easy the units are to use and how their funding was raised.
Action: CB
Litter near Football Club on Kingshill Lane
Cllr Mrs Freyne and the Clerk confirmed that they had both written to the Football Club but neither had received a response. It was noted that the condition of the roadside is better but this may be a co-incidence.
7. **Co-Opt to Fill the Vacancy**
As no-one had come forward to fill the vacancy it was agreed to raise it at the Annual Village Meeting following this Council meeting.
8. **Village Affairs**
Village Design Statement -To Receive Update
The notes of the meeting held on 25 April were circulated and Members were advised that Mr Stone had again amended the document and re-submitted it to CDC. It was hoped that it would now be placed on CDC's website.

9. **Questions from the Public**
Mrs Hamey raised the issue of dog fouling and was advised that this is already in hand.
10. **Playing Field**
Annual Safety Report
The report was noted. Cllr Edwards had advised by email that the old slide should be removed and it was agreed to discuss this with him when he is available.
The Chairman advised that there had been reports of a syringe and an e-cigarette being found near the garages on the edge of the Field. The Police had been advised and it was agreed that regular checks need to be made. Cllr Price confirmed that it was already checked by the grass cutter.
11. **Village Hall**
Cllr Mrs Cameron agreed to take over as the Council's representative on the Village Hall Committee and it was agreed that if she is unavailable then one of the other Councillors would cover.
12. **Finance**
- 12.1 **Budget Report and Bank Reconciliation for Year Ending 31 March 2017**
RESOLUTION 17/17
It was resolved to adopt the report as attached.
- 12.2 **Audit Return for Year Ending 31 March 2017**
- 12.2.1 **Annual Governance Statement**
RESOLUTION 18/17
It was resolved to approve the Annual Governance Statement as attached.
- 12.2.2 **Annual Accounting Statements**
RESOLUTION 19/17
It was resolved to approve the Annual Accounting Statement as attached.
- 12.3 **Revised Budget for 2017 – 2018**
RESOLUTION 20/17
It was resolved to adopt the revised budget as attached creating a new budget heading for the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- 12.4 **Bills for Payment as detailed on the attached Schedule**
RESOLUTION 21/17
It was resolved to approve payment of the Bills on the attached schedule.
- 12.5 **Insurance Renewal (FiveYear Agreement)**
RESOLUTION 22/17
It was resolved to renew the Insurance Policy with Zurich in accordance with the Five Year Agreement.
- 12.6 **Pensions Update**
The Clerk advised that there is no liability on the Council to provide a pension and that the Pensions Regulator had been advised accordingly.
13. **Planning**
- 13.1 **New Planning Applications** - None
- 13.2 **Planning Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting** - None
- 13.3 **Planning Decisions Received** – None
- 13.4 **Planning Correspondence** - None
14. **Correspondence**
Fairford Town Council – Flooding and Drainage - Noted.
GAPTC – Call for Resolutions - Noted.
15. **Any Other Business**
Newsletter – It was agreed that in order to protect personal information, that items for circulation to the whole Village should be done via Mrs Warren.
16. **Date and Time of Next Meeting – Parish Council Meeting**
Tuesday, 27 June 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall
There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50 pm