

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.00pm in the War Memorial Hall, Tutshill.

**Present:** Councillors: Birch, Bollen, Evans, Gregory, Koning, Lewis, O'Toole, Powell and Tullett.

Officers: Clerk (Carol Hinton), Admin Assistant (Kevin Duffin)

Also present - 6 members of the public

## 1. ATTENDANCE

a) ) Apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend were received from Councillors Duff and Molyneux.

b) **Resolved to accept** those apologies received with reasons for absence from Councillors Duff and Molyneux. The Clerk announced the resignation of Councillor Bullivant – Councillors asked Clerk to send a letter of thanks.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) **Resolved to receive Declarations of Interest** in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.

b). **Resolved to consider any Dispensation Requests** received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

## 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

a) **Resolved to approve** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017

b) **The Council considered** matters arising from those minutes – there were none.

## 4. THE RISING SUN PUB - WOODCROFT

Councillors received a short presentation from 4 members of the local Save Our Sun (SOS) Group who have triggered the moratorium on the sale of The Rising Sun Pub which they had previously listed as an ACV (Asset of Community Value), now that it has been placed for sale on the open market. Michelle Hawes, Chairman of the Group, informed Councillors that they were formed in 2013 and now have until March 2018 to submit a bid to buy the Pub as a pub and community hub. In 2013 there was a lot of support for the project and the Group are exploring various ways of funding it including through issuing community shares. There will be a public meeting in January with details of this. The Parish Council was asked for its support and for any help it could give including identifying possible funding streams.

**Resolved to** consider support at the next meeting of the Council. Clerk to liaise with Ms Hawes for further details.

## 5. PUBLIC CONSULTATION

There were no questions from members of the public.

## 6. COMMITTEES

**Resolved to receive reports, minutes and recommendations from committees**

i) Planning, Development Control and Highways Committee meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017

There were no questions to Councillor Powell, Chair of the Committee

ii) Amenities Committee meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Councillor Birch questioned Councillor Koning, Chairman of the committee, about the decision to record late arrivals of Councillors and at which item of the agenda. This will be decided at the next Amenities meeting.

## 7. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**To receive and note any announcements from the Chairman** of the meeting.

There were none

8. **POLICING IN THE PARISH**  
**Resolved to note** downloaded crime report (PC Assirati and PCSO Natalie Lang were unable to attend the meeting) Clerk will include report at each meeting
9. **PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**  
**Resolved to receive** the Parish Clerk's Report.
10. **FINANCE**  
a) **Resolved to approve payments** according to the Financial Statement for October 2017  
b) **Resolved to receive and approve the Financial Statement** for October 2017
11. **DEFIBRILLATORS**  
a) **(Woodcroft) – Resolved to approve** quotation from Hewer Facilities Management for £190 plus VAT (£228 total cost) for installation of defibrillator in the telephone box at Woodcroft.  
b) **(Beachley) – Resolved to approve** quotation for purchase of 60W Off Grid DIY Solar Power Unit from plug-in Solar for £666.66 plus VAT (£799.99 total cost)  
c) **(Beachley) – Resolved to approve** quotation from Hewer Facilities Management for £340.50 plus VAT (£408.60 total cost) for installation of the defibrillator on the bus shelter at Beachley
12. **FoDDC PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON MEETING 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017**  
**Resolved to note** feedback from Councillors Evans and Lewis who attended the liaison meeting. The District Council cabinet were introduced and a number of presentations given including rural broadband, information on Publica and Planning Enforcement (this item interesting but disappointing to learn potential ineffectiveness of enforcement). Clerk has copy of minutes of the meeting) Councillor Birch expressed concern on the future with Publica.
13. **FENCE - SHIRLEY'S GROVE**  
**Resolved to note** further responses from NALC regarding the fence at Shirley's Grove.
14. **AGREEMENT-TIDENHAM WAR MEMORIAL HALL & RECREATION GROUND TRUST**  
**Resolved to note** resolution passed at Amenities Committee meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 " Resolved that due to the issues with para.10 of the Agreement the Clerk writes to the Trust asking to mutually terminate the existing agreement with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2018 in favour of a new agreement acceptable to both parties." Draft revised Agreement to be prepared.
15. **NEWSLETTER**  
a) **Resolved to approve** cost of distribution of Newsletter by Storm Distribution to NP16 7 postcodes of £320 inc VAT  
b) **To consider** draft newsletter if available by the time of meeting - draft not available.
16. **NOMINATION OF COUNCILLOR FOR GLOS HIGHWAYS/PUBLIC POTHOLE LIAISON**  
**To consider** Councillor Koning as contact for members of the public requiring help notifying potholes and other road issues to Glos CC Highways Dept – item withdrawn / not considered
17. **PARISH COUNCIL EMAIL ADDRESSES**  
**Resolved to approve** introduction of individual Parish Council email addresses for each Councillor at an additional annual cost of £90 plus VAT (£108 total cost)
18. **CORRESPONDENCE**  
**Resolved to note** any other correspondence as detailed in the Clerk's Report.  
Also - introduction from Ruth Ward, Dementia Friendly Community Enabler – Clerk to invite Ruth to speak at next meeting. Email about dog mess on the Tutshill Recreation Ground – Clerk to look into introduction of

PSPO, also for the play areas at Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall and Buttington Road. Councillor Tullett expressed a wish to attend the Monmouth CAB AGM – Clerk to inform them. Tidenham Historical Society will be putting up the Sedbury Centenary Board, part funded by Parish Council and Mopla Cottages Grants, on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 12.30pm – all Councillors welcome. Councillor Evans asked for more information on the circulated email from a member of the public attending the Planning Committee meeting.

## 19. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

**Resolved to note** the following raised by Councillors:

Councillor Koning – expressed concerned that consideration of the new build projects, poor public transport in this part of the Forest and closure of Beachley Barracks have not been taken into account in the Forest Hospitals consultation, neither has the use of Chepstow Hospital been mentioned. He was not able to get answers to these at the 'drop-in' session at Toast.

Councillor Bollen – was disappointed at the 'drop-in' session in Toast and has invited the NHS representative to give a presentation to members of the public on 30<sup>th</sup> November 5.30 – 7.30pm at the Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall. Cllr Bollen also announced the S&BVH Christmas Fair on 26<sup>th</sup> November 1-4pm.

## 20. FUTURE MEETINGS

**Resolved to note** the dates of future Council and Committee meetings:

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 - Planning, Development Control and Highways Committee

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Finance and Probity Committee

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Mopla Cottages Committee

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – Full Council meeting

**The meeting concluded at 20.57hrs**