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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ANGMERING PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 8 APRIL 2019

Present: Councillors John Oldfield, Chairman; Rhys Evans; Norma Harris; David Marsh; Alan Evans; Steven Mountain; Mike Jones; Nikki Hamilton-Street; Lee Hamilton-Street and Paul Bicknell.

In Attendance: Katie Herr, Clerk; Tracy Lees, Office Manager; District Cllr. Andy Cooper; County Cllr. Deborah Urquhart and 4 members of the public.

Action

18/213 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr. Phelon; Cllr. Hill-Smith and District Cllr. Dudley Wensley.

18/214 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS
None.

18/215 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2018
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 March 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for public consultation.

18/216 PUBLIC CONSULTATION
The Chairman invited members of the public present to speak if they wished.

A member of the public thanked Angmering Parish Council for the recent Community Litter Picking day held on Sunday 8 April; 148 residents attended with over 100 bags of rubbish collected, a great result. Thanks, was also given for the clearance of high vegetation on the corner of Nursey Road and other areas which have resulted in improved sight lines for both traffic and pedestrians.

The Clerk and the Office Team were acknowledged for their work in improving the way the Parish Council are now using Social Media etc. to communicate with local residents. Another great improvement.

The Chairman took the meeting back.

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THE CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS, BUT NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA

- a) The attached action list
For the Action List see **Appendix 1.**

- b) Any subsequent matters that have arisen since the agenda was set
None.

After the Clerks report was given the clerk asked if there were any questions, none were asked. At this point the Clerk wanted to thank the Angmering Parish Office Team for all their hard work over the last few months.

18/218

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman informed members that he, and our MP Nick Herbert, had opened the new Worthing Hockey Club Pavilion in the grounds of Angmering School.

The Chairman also reported that he had attended an Angmering Chorale concert at Arundel Cathedral, another great event to which he was very pleased to have been invited to.

18/219

REPORT FROM THE WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCILLOR

County Cllr. Deborah Urquhart gave an update on the fire that has been ongoing at Chichester Waste Site. The fire is now almost out but residents are being asked to keep visits to the site to a bare minimum if possible. Both the Fire Brigade and the Environment Agency have been consulted on the action needed to be taken to control the fire. The fire is now almost out, and the aim is to have the site fully operational in time for Easter, but this is still to be confirmed.

A new process for managing temporary housing development signs is being rolled out. West Sussex County Council (WSCC) will work closely with Parishes on how they should be managed going forward.

Cllr. Urquhart advised that the government has given £13 million of government funding to develop clean energy systems such as the district heating scheme in Shoreham along with Hydrogen Cell technology. This is a very exciting opportunity.

WSCC are supporting a call for voting rights for 16-year olds. A debate was held with the Youth Council a few months ago.

18/220

REPORT FROM THE ARUN DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

District Cllr. Andy Cooper had nothing to report but invited questions from everyone present.

Cllr. Cooper commented that it was a pleasure to be able to take part in the Community Litter Picking Day on Sunday 8 April and credit to all those involved.

Cllr. Marsh raised the question re parking bays outside of the shops within Angmering Village centre, particularly the disabled bay. He asked why there never seems to be traffic wardens in this area. A discussion then took place with reference given to the size and location of the bays as well as the line markings being worn away. Cllr. Bicknell stated that he had requested that this be re-marked some time back and that it had been completed.

Office

Angmering Parish Council Office (Office) will confirm the date this was completed.

Cllr. Cooper promised to take all the points raised back to Arun District Council (ADC) to see if anything could be done. He also stated that he understood parking was at a premium in the Village but if more people could register their concerns re the lack of parking direct with ADC this would highlight the problem to them even more.

District Cllr. Dudley Wensley was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Cllr. Mountain made comment that as this was to be the last full Parish Council meeting until after the elections on Thursday 2 May he wanted to propose that a letter of thanks be drawn up and sent to District Cllr. Dudley Wensley for all his many years of service to Angmering. All present agreed. The Clerk/Office to draft letter and once approved by Council members will send out.

KH / Office

18/221 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS
No grant applications have been received.

The 2018/2019 budget for Community Grants is £3,300. There is £131.20 left to be allocated for the remainder of the year.

18/222 2018/2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

Statements of the Bank Account Balances and Loans Outstanding as at 31 March 2019 were presented.

- Income and Expenditure compared with the Revised Budget, for the period to 31 March 2019.
- Lists of cheques and other payments for March 2019.
- Bank reconciliation for March 2019.

All of the above were signed by Chairman

No actions were requested.

18/223 NEW PAY SCALES

The Clerk made sure that all Councillors had received the relevant information and invited comments.

Cllr. Bicknell asked if the raises were in this year's budget. The Clerk confirmed that the budget that had been prepared covered the new pay scales.

Cllr. L Hamilton-Street asked about the sliding scale and if they were standard or did, they allow for the living wage. The Clerk advised that it allows for the rise in the living wage and the restating of the bands.

Cllr. R Evans asked about the pension increase taking place in April. The Clerk advised that we were already paying in above this amount.

18/224 CHANDLERS UPDATE

New plans and drawings have been produced and sent out to all Councillors. Various questions including footpaths, parking, bin collections and the look for the new Parish Council Office were raised. A lengthy discussion then took place. For the new plans see **Appendix 2.**



18/225

FLETCHERS FIELD PLAY PARK

The Clerk gave an update and explained that the finer details still needed to be agreed before a decision could be made.

Questions and comments were invited, and a lengthy discussion took place. It was commented that this Play Park is probably the most used park in the Village, this has been acknowledged by ADC.

The discussion then moved to who owned the area that the Play Park occupied. It was suggested that there is an agreement between APC and the Church. The Clerk will investigate and report back.

KH

After the discussion it was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. N Hamilton-Street **SECONDED** by Cllr. R Evans and **AGREED** by **ALL** to request that ADC replace the play park to our specifications before APC would agree to take this over.

KH

18/226

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The plan was discussed with concerns being raised about the amount of time that will be spent on amending the plan. The Chairman commented that he was seeking clarification from ADC on a number of concerns and will report back.

Chairman

18/227

SILENT SOLDIER

The Chairman said that he and Roger Miles had been discussing possible future sites for The Silent Soldier which has now been removed from the grounds of the Village Hall. As Mr Roger Miles was present as a member of the public, the chairman asked him to outline the ideas.

A proposal to ask other parishes to combine theirs with ours and to place them all in Swanbourne Park, Arundel had been discounted as the manager of the Norfolk Estates was concerned over possible vandalism and future maintenance

Another site was the forecourt of St Wilfred's School and Roger explained the merits of this.

He also said that he was prepared to act as custodian, placing The Soldier in his rear garden where it could be seen by the public from the adjoining footpath

After discussion it was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. N Hamilton-Street **SECONDED** by Cllr. A Evans and **AGREED** by **ALL** that a request is made to St Wilfred's Catholic Primary School to ask if they would be prepared to have the Silent Solider on their grounds. If this is not successful Roger Miles will be asked to be the temporary custodian until a permanent place is found, possibly the forecourt of the new office/business centre The Clerk will contact St Wilfred's Catholic Primary School and report back.

KH

18/228

QUESTIONS ON THE ALREADY CIRCULATED NOTES OF MEETINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL WORKING PARTIES AND REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS

JEAAC; ADALC; ASRA; JEAAC H&T; Twinning Association; Angmering Village Hall Committees & Littlehampton Health Services Advisory Group

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Cllr. N Hamilton-Street asked if ASRA were happy regarding the pitches for the coming seasons. The Chairman and the Clerk advised that they were in contact with ADC and the relevant leagues were being contacted.

Cllr. A Evans asked if in the future full names could be used for clarity.

The Chairman commented on the Health Services Advisory Group he had attended and the reported shortage of 32 GPs across the area. The money is available but there is a shortage of GPs across the country.

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QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING

- a) The Housing, Transport & Planning Committee meeting held on 2 April 2019 – None
- b) CLEW Committee meeting held on 27 March 2019 – None
- c) Governance & Oversight Committee held on 6 February 2019 – None

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TO CONSIDER ANY URGENT MATTERS, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, ARISING SINCE THE PREPARATION OF THIS AGENDA

No urgent matters to consider.

The Chairman took the opportunity to thank Cllr. Roger Phelon for his years of service to APC with particular reference to being the ASRA representative.


The Chairman also thanked all the Councillors for their support since becoming Chairman, they in turn thanked the Chairman for his support.

18/231

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on 13th May 2019.

The meeting finished at **20.42**.

Chairman.......... Date.....14/5/19.....

Appendix 1
Action List

Appendix 2
New plans for the Chandlers site