

Portbury Parish Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held 13th September 2016

Village Hall, High Street, Portbury

Present:

Councillors: Cllr Weekes Cllr Longstaff Cllr Romanski
Cllr Randall Cllr Hale Cllr Langdon

Chairman: Cllr Phipps

Clerk: Minutes taken by Dawn Drower

Representatives: Les Summerfield (footpaths)

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

No	Item	Action
PC/09/01	Apologies Received – Mandy Bishop	
PC/09/02	Minutes of PPC's monthly meeting held 2 nd August 2016 – approval RESOLVED that: The Minutes were a true record of proceedings and duly signed.	
PC/09/03	Chairman's Report Prior to the meeting Cllr Phipps had circulated a report for review:- Cllr Phipps commented on crime and disorder, Neighbourhood Plan, planning and village green/war memorial. All are covered in the relevant sections below.	

	<p>objection</p> <p>(b)Planning enforcements notices; 25 Priory Road – Cllr Hale declared an interest. The Environmental Health Officer has visited site, planning have not yet visited. After a visit from Cllr Phipps, Mr Britten had agreed to reschedule deliveries. However there have been further complaints that deliveries are happening again with some as early as 5.30a.m. PPC to write again to Mr Britten before any further action is considered.</p> <p>49 Mill Lane – It is apparent that a business is running from premises providing an ambulance service for events. Cllr Phipps has reminded NSC to attend site.</p> <p>Keepers Cottage - Cllr Phipps has checked legislation, and if PPC is unhappy about how the original enforcement was dealt with, it can be resurrected even after the 4 year time period has elapsed. However given the planning context it was felt that this would not be a fruitful course of action.</p>	<p>MP</p> <p>MP</p>
PC/09/08	<p>Maintenance</p> <p>(a) Portbury Sewage Pipes – Wessex Water has responded to Cllr Longstaff and said that the current pump is adequate for the village, but did not mention the size of the pipes. Wessex Water will do CCTV inspection and jet wash in June 2017. Should there be another overflow incident Cllr Longstaff will contact the Environment Agency.</p> <p>(b) Maintenance hourly rate review - Cllr Weekes declared an interest. Cllr Langdon has reviewed and researched the hourly rate for maintenance around the village. Cllr Weekes provides the equipment also. It has been agreed to increase the hourly rate from £15 to £18 from the 1/1/2017 and the village green cut to £50 (including equipment). Ongoing, rates are hence to be reviewed annually before the precept and budgets are agreed.</p> <p>(c) Village Green and War Memorial – Funding sources are being investigated for the improvement of the area. Costings for the work are being sought also.</p> <p>(d) Lamp post outside 19 Priory Rd – New post has been put up, it is not working and the stump from the old one has been cut short but is still there.</p>	<p>DL</p> <p>MP</p>
PC/09/09	<p>Council Administration/Correspondence</p> <p>(a) Task Monitor – lamp post as in PC/09/08 to add.</p>	PBS
PC/09/10	<p>Transport and Traffic</p> <p>(a) M5 Footbridge update – nothing happened with barriers yet. Contact NSC.</p> <p>(b) VAS – still over 2000 activations a day at 30mph setting. Cllr Langdon to summarise the recorded data in a short report</p> <p>(c) First bus route changes – The bus route and times have changed. There was no consultation from First Group despite previous letter on the subject of Sheepway by Cllr Phipps. The buses have been changed from single to double decker and at times the X3 and X4 turn up together. Cllr Phipps is waiting for a call back from First Group. Mr Keith Lanham from Sheepway is to be invited to represent Sheepway residents.</p>	<p>PBS</p> <p>ML</p> <p>MP</p>

PC/09/11	Allotments – nothing to report	
PC/09/12	Date and time of next meeting – 4 th October 2016 commencing at 7.30pm in the village hall	

Meeting finished at 9.20 pm

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