

STANSTED MOUNTFITCHET PARISH COUNCIL**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES**

MINUTES of a meeting of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at 7.55pm on Wednesday 19th July 2017 in the Council Offices, 72 Chapel Hill, Stansted Mountfitchet, Essex.

PRESENT Cllr F Richards - Chairman, Cllrs M Jessup, J Salmon and D Wallace-Jarvis

ATTENDING Mrs Ruth Clifford - Clerk
Mrs Emma Philbrick - Admin Assistant
2 members of the public

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee it was agreed that, Cllr Richards should take the Chair for this meeting.

151 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs M Caton, P Jones, J O'Brien and G Sell

152 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

153 MINUTES

J O'Brien had emailed and asked for the following amendments to be made
Page 13 - Sought from Bat Conservation website not spoken to them and should read what if any "effect" not "affect".

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were approved

154 MATTERS ARISING - None

155 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - Nothing to report

156 FINANCE

(a) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION - Approved

(b) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE TO 30/06/17 - The report was received

(c) VAT RETURN TO 30/06/17 - The report was received

157 LIGHTING**(a) OUTAGE REPORT**

Woodfields - A fuse in the substation keeps blowing. UK Power Networks has apologised as this should have been dealt with sooner when this blew the first couple of times. They are now working on site to fix this issue.

Park Road - Fitting being changed

(b) UPDATE ON CROASDAILE ROAD LIGHTING

Cllr J O'Brien had sent in an email with comments to be made in his absence.

He had received an email from Mr Harris of Croasdaile Road regarding the lighting column to be installed in the alleyway next to his house. Mr Harris has proposed that he would replace the base gravel boards to his fence and inserting three LED light fittings into the new boards with a PIR motion detector at each end of the fence. Mr Harris has offered to pay for this

himself and will pay for the electricity this uses as it should be minimal. Cllr O'Brien suggested that the Parish Council pay £100 towards to the cost of installing the fence and lights.

Cllr Salmon proposed the following

RESOLUTION To pay £100 to Mr Harris towards the cost of installing new fence and lights to alleyway.

This was seconded by Cllr Jessup and unanimously agreed.

It was then discussed that the solar light that was going to be used in Croasdaile could be moved to Millfields to solve the issue of one of the columns partly obstructing the driveway of one of the properties.

Cllr Jessup proposed the following

RESOLUTION The Clerk to obtain costs to install the solar column in Millfields.

This was seconded by Cllr Salmon and unanimously agreed

158 AMENDMENT TO ASSETS REGISTER

The Clerk reported that no amendments needed to be made

159 INCREASE OF CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE LINK

The Link has asked for an increase of £250 per year towards costs from 2018 as the cost of printing has gone up. This was agreed in principle by Cllrs as long as Cllr Jones and Cllr O'Brien agree on their return.

160 WINDMILL

Internal decorations have been completed and everyone is very happy. External work has been started but will be finished in September. The shutters need to be removed and taken away to be painted so this will be done after the August Bank Holiday fete has been held. Cakes are needed for the stall at the fete so any donations will be greatly received and should be given to Molly Clark the evening before or on the morning of the fete.

161 YOUTH CENTRE

A brief report had been received from Linda and numbers are still increasing which is positive. A meeting is due and just awaiting a date for the diary.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm