

CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSESSBLY AND MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date: Wednesday 20th May 2015.

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: CVC, Brown Candover

Present: Jonathan Moseley Chairman
Sue Marriott Vice-Chairman
Edwina Curtis-Hayward
Adam Willmott
Di Peisley
Wendy Simson Clerk
PC Reid
Bob Parks Chairman of CVC (retired)
Alison Fydler Chairman of CVC
One member of the community

Apologise: None

832 Apologies

None

833 Election of Chairman

Councillor Moseley agreed to stand again as Chairman of the Parish Council. None of the other Councillors offered to stand, Councillor Peisley proposed and Councillor Willmott seconded this appointment. The Council voted in Councillor Moseley as Chairman.

834 Election of Vice Chair

Councillor Marriott agreed to stand again as Vice Chair of the Parish Council. None of the other Councillor offered to stand, Councillor Curtis Hayward proposed and Councillor Willmott seconded this appointment. The Council voted in Councillor Marriott as Vice Chair.

835 Declarations of Office

The Councillor all completed a declaration of office for the role as Councillor; the Chairman also completed a declaration of office as Chairman. The Clerk witnessed all signatures.

836 Chairman's statement for 2014/15

Changes in personnel – None

Summary of activity - Work on flood prevention and Lengths Man role
Wind Farm planning application refused
Defibrillator installed at CVC
War Memorial tidied up for 100th Anniversary of start of WW1
Neighbourhood Plan discussed
Website issues with uploading information now solved

Rural Policing Policy changes
Community Store plans
Increased level of traffic from heavy Lorries
Financial support for decoration at CVC

Planning applications - Moth House – Retrospective application for roadway and change of site and size of outbuilding – on-going
Moth Farm shooting Lodge – Approved
Internal work at Woolpack Inn – Approved
Installation of new gas canisters at Woolpack Inn – Approved
Installation of children’s play area at Woolpack Inn – Approved
Tree work at Pegs Cottage – Approved
8 Gravel Close extension – Approved
Signage at Woolpack Inn – Old Application which was approved
Manor Farm replacement windows and door - Approved

Summary of financial statement -£4,442 income from Basingstoke and Deane
£3.05 additional income from bank interest
£10,840.40 payments made, including £5,000 for decoration at the Club
Opening balance £9,051.40
Closing balance £3,276.05

Any business being carried over - Flood work

837 Annual Policing Report

Brown Candover

Reported crimes in 2012	2
Reported crimes in 2013	0
Reported crimes in 2014	1

Sadly this Parish saw an increase in reported crime from nil to one, this as a result of a search Police Officers found cannabis in a house, enforcement action was taken against the owner.

In January the Parish was hit by severe flooding which saw the closure of the B3046 for several weeks. Also as a result of the weather we had three reports of fallen trees across parish roads and a report of cables hanging low across the road. Although the road was closed we did receive a report of a car broken down in deep floodwater.

Other incidents included a report of a suspicious van suspected involved in poaching, albeit off duty I attended but unfortunately was unable to locate it. We also executed a search warrant at a premise in this Parish looking for illegally held firearms of which none were found.

I also attended the local annual Duck Races.

Chilton Candover

Reported crimes in 2012	1
Reported crimes in 2013	1
Reported crimes in 2014	4

Reported crime rose in this Parish with four crimes being reported, one concerned silver wear stolen from a house during renovation and three others of criminal damage to growing

crops by poachers coursing for hares and deer at night, part of the illegal coursing completion mentioned in the Farms and Rural Crime Section.

In the parish we also had reports of vehicles driving at speed, enquires showed that this was an authorised car rally, we had a report of a tree across a road, a non reportable accident involving a deer and a report of a suspicious car with some men and a female seen near the buried church late at night, albeit off duty I attended and spoke with them and they decided to leave the area.

838 Sign off audited accounts

The Parish Accounts have been internally audited by Mandy Parks who had made the following comments:-

I am pleased to report that I have reviewed the accounts and can confirm that it is my belief that they are a true and accurate representation of the annual accounts for 2014/2015.

I am also pleased to note that following my notes and recommendations of last year:

- 1. The clerk's salary and PAYE entries are annotated as to the period that they cover to aid clarity.*
- 2. The agreement regarding the purchase of sandbags and the procurement of hedge cutting services have been given an exact value and have been formally recorded in the minutes.*
- 3. However, the initial enthusiasm of the chairman to initial each page of the minutes (as recommended by the guidelines given by John Murray) has dwindled somewhat. So I suggest this policy be re-invigorated!*

Here are my notes and recommendations as a result of the internal audit for 2014/2015:

- 1. I note that some payments are not backed up by invoices, perhaps those suppliers who do not provide invoices could sign a receipt as proof of service provided.*
- 2. I note that you have started a new cash book and suggest that you add two new columns for cheque numbers and folio number/minute reference.*

Additionally, thank you for a copy of the 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 budgets as these provide proof of the budgetary process as required as part of the internal control objective.

The Parish Council reviewed the Annual Governance Statement for the Annual Accounts and the Chairman signed the paperwork.

839 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes for the last meeting held on 26th March 2015 were reviewed and agreed by the Council as an accurate record. The Chairman signed to confirm this.

840 Policing Update

Brown Candover – reported crimes Nil

- Reports of two suspicious
- Compliant concerning hedge cutting
- Chain saw seller checked
- Dead horse at Lone Barn
- Damage RTA HGV left road

Chilton Candover – reported crime Nil

- Injury RTA

841 Financial Update

The Clerk informed the Parish Council of the following payments to be made:-

- Insurance - £265.00
- Membership of HALC - £124.00
- Internal audit - £50.00
- Contribution to St Peter's church - £350.00
- Contribution to CVC - £1,000.00
- Grant for Scouts - £300.00
- PAYE (April – June) - £60.00

The following payments had been received:-

- Basingstoke & Deane - £3,533.00
- Lloyds - 10p

842 CVC Update

Bob Parks introduced Alison Fydler as the new Chairman of CVC having been elected last month. Bob thanked the Parish Council for their support during his time as Chairman and the vast amount that had been achieved with these grants including the decoration work in 2014.

The CVC had purchased anew oil tank which had been placed behind the garages so it was hidden from view and away from the wall of the church. The new tank holds 3,000l and cost about £3,000.

The CVC now have about 200 members and this continues to grow.

The Chairman thanked Bob and his wife Mandy for all their efforts that they have put into the Club and suggested the CVC would not be in the position it is with his support.

844 Website

Councillor Peisley informed the Council that she needed to upload the most recent minutes to the website along with some photos and narrative about the Duck Race.

845 Planning

Moth House – the Councillor discussed the on-going retrospective planning application for the Moth House. The Parish Council had been made aware of a new application which had been received by some of the local residents but the Parish Council had not received copies. One of the local residents had attended the meeting to hear the Parish Council's point of view on the situation. The Chairman explained that the Council held the same view as they had for the previous retrospective applications and would be writing the give the Parish Council's view.

Following the meeting a new application has been received dated 21st May with comments to be made by 11th June.

Action: Councillors to agree response.

846 Community Store

The Clerk explained that the Community Store Action Group had attended the last Parish Council meeting in Preston Candover and had spent some time with the Councillors on the field next to the village hall which is the proposed site for the building. Plans are currently being drawn up and they an exhibition will be advertised at the Preston Candover Village Hall to display the plans and answer any of the communities questions. This consultation is planned for June.

847 General correspondence

None

848 Any Other Business

Increased Heavy lorry traffic - Councillor Peisley raised the issues of the Lorries being routed through the Candover Valley, there were at least 10 on Sunday but this may have been due to the Watercress festival. The Chairman is to talk to the “trucked off” group in Alresford who are stopping the Lorries using this right of way and so have forced the Lorries out to us.

Action: Chairman to report at next meeting.

Fencing at end of Duck Lane – this fencing has now been erected but the gap is narrow so not sure how the owners plan to keep it maintained.

Flooding – The Councillors asked when the culvert under Spybush Lane was due to be removed. The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact the Environment Agency about the plans.

Action: Clerk to pass on information

Dog poo – The Vice Chair asked if a bin for dog poo was required for the entrance to the churchyard at the bottom of the Wayfarers Walk. The Chairman asked who was responsible for emptying these bins.

Action – Clerk to ask Basingstoke and Deane if they empty these bins and report to next meeting

War memorial – the Vice Chair reported that Jesus has lost his arms; Councillor Willmott had thought that the statue may need repair but now that it was falling apart he would get it fixed or replaced.

849 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 21st July 2015 at Candover Valley Club starting at 7:30pm, later meeting in 2015 to be on:-

- Monday 5th October
- Monday 7th December