

CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date: Monday 26th March 2018 **Time:** 7:30pm

Venue: CVC, Brown Candover

Present: Jonathan Moseley Chairman
Sue Marriott Lady Vice-Chair
Di Peisley
Adam Willmott
PC Andy Reid
Wendy Simson Clerk

Apologise: Edwina Curtis-Hayward

1073 Public Forum

The Chairman welcomed Richard Walker, Chairman of the Community Store Committee, to the meeting. Richard gave an update on the plans for the store in Preston Candover, explaining that the planning application had been approved by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council earlier in March. Fund raising was due to be launched on 26th April in Preston Candover Village Hall and a total of £200k was required. There are three main avenues for funds; donations, grants, and a share membership scheme. The shares will be sold at £20 each and will allow each shareholder to attend and vote at the AGM.

The fundraising launch will be attended by a representative from the Plunkett Association who support projects like this one and will include a speaker on how successful community stores can be.

Richard asked for a letter to confirm that Parish Council's support for the project which would be used to support grant applications.

Action: Clerk to write letter of support

1074 Apologies

Councillor Curtis Hayward was unable to attend the meeting and sent apologies.

1075 Police update

PC Reid informed the Councillors that there had been several incidents in the Parish since the 1st January, these were:

- 8/1 – a suspicious man in Gunners Lane
- 14/1 – an abandoned transit in layby in Chilton Candover
- 13/2 – a deer incident on Bugmore Hill
- 18/2 – a car was seized for having no road tax
- 10/3 – an abandoned car in car park of CVC

There have been no crimes in Brown or Chilton Candover in 2018.

In 2017 there were 4 crimes in Chilton Candover up from none in 2016, they were one case of harassment, two of assault (which were counter claims following a road traffic incident) and one of criminal damage to crops.

In 2017 there were 8 crimes in Brown Candover up from 4 in 2016, they were, one case of criminal damage to crops, a public order incident, two thefts of car batteries and pot plants, one assault, one dwelling burglary, one case of vehicle tampering and one "other" crime. PC Reid has completed his report for all Parishes for 2017 and will send a soft copy to the Clerk to circulate.

The Chairman thanked PC Reid for all his hard work in the community to keep us all safe.

1076 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes for the last meeting held on 29th January 2018 were reviewed and agreed by the Council as an accurate record. The Chairman signed to confirm they were an accurate record of the meeting.

1077 Matters arising

Bus service – The Chairman spoke to Jeff from Cresta Coaches who has amended the timetable several times to meet the needs of the community.

Section 106 funds – The Clerk had received another email about the funds allocated by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council for section 106 projects.

Action: Clerk to forward email to Councillors

Speed limits - I have not been able to obtain a reply from Alfred Nortey at Hampshire Highways about the community funded measures despite emailing him twice. However, I have found some information online which I attach. It would be possible for the traffic management team to give advice and costings on the various measures listed. We already have village gateway signs ahead of the speed limit I think! I am not sure what they would be able to suggest for an area outside the speed limit. However, I am happy to contact them if the council would like to pursue this. I have also attached some information from the Department of Transport about village speed limits.

Action: Chairman to discuss with Councillor Curtis Hayward and suggest next steps

Lengthsman bank account – this account is open with a chequebook, so Wendy is now able to transfer monies in and out. Lloyds were very slow to send an account opening letter. I have chased this and hope that Wendy now has that paperwork. For the time being we have decided not to go online due to the complication that Sue and I are signatories and therefore technically need to approve all movements on the accounts.

1078 Financial Update

The payments to be made at the meeting are: -

- PAYE (Jan - Mar) – £120.00
- Clerk's salary (Jan - Mar) - £180.00
- Grass cutting at bus shelters for 2017 - £99.00
- Grass cutting at Burial Ground for 2017 - £86.00

These payments were all approved, and the Lady Vice Chair signed the cheques.

Action: Clerk to get cheques signed by Councillor Curtis Hayward

The Council also signed off cheques for Lengthsman work in Preston Candover, Northington, Wield, North Waltham and Candovers. The Chairman questioned in the invoice for Candovers Parish Council and suggested that a full day was not completed on 13th February.

These invoices totalled £2,250, however an invoice for £375 for work completed for Preston Candover Parish Council had been paid out of the Lengthsman Grant in error so this was deducted from the total and a cheque for £1,875 was approved.

One grant application has been received by the Parish Council for £1,000 for CVC, the Chairman declared an interest as one of the Trustees of the CVC. The Councillors discussed the application and agreed that they were a worthy recipient.

Action: Clerk to send email to Scout Group about grant to Chairman to chase up

Action: Clerk to send email to Church to Celia and copy in Vicar and Lady Vice Chair to chase up

Action: Clerk to send Councillor Willmott email to Cricket Club to chase up

1079 CVC Update

The Chairman reported that the back hall of the CVC is to be decorated over the Easter holidays at a cost of £1,000 and that there was some tree work required in the area between the Club and the Church.

Action: Clerk to send Lady Vice Chair email about tree work to circulate to PCC members

1080 Website

Councillor Peisley informed that Council that the website is up to date and all the minutes have been posted.

1081 Planning

Tree work at St Nicholas Church, Chilton Candover – no objections

The Chairman asked the Clerk to enquire about the status of the planning application for Foxhills as the Basingstoke & Deane website seems to indicate that it has been withdrawn.

Action: Clerk to report to Councillors about the status of this application

1082 Lengthsman Grant

It was agreed that the Lengthsman Grant be put out to tender for 2018/19

Action: Clerk to put piece in May Oxdrove

1083 General correspondence

The Clerk had brought along some information from CPRE

1084 Any Other Business

Councillor Willmott asked about the work required to restore the war memorial. The Chairman suggested a meeting with Charles Bradshaw who had secured support from the War Memorials Trust to get work done on the memorial in Preston Candover.

Action: Chairman to arrange meeting.

The Chairman informed the Parish Council that a “Trash & Treasures” event (car boot) was to be held on Sunday 8th July in place of the fete to raise money for the CVC and church.

1085 Date of meeting in 2018

- Monday 4th June
- Monday 23rd July
- Monday 24th September
- Monday 26th November