**CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**Date:** Monday 27th November 2017 **Time:** 7:30pm

**Venue:** CVC, Brown Candover

**Present:** Di Peisley

Edwina Curtis-Hayward

Adam Willmott

Wendy Simson Clerk

PC Andy Reid

**Apologise:** Jonathan Moseley Chairman

Sue Marriott Lady Vice-Chair

**1049 Apologies**

The Chairman and Lady Vice Chair were unable to attend the meeting and both sent apologies.

**1050 Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes for the last meeting held on 25th September 2017 were reviewed and agreed by the Council as an accurate record. Councillor Curtis Hayward signed to confirm they were an accurate record of the meeting.

**1051 Police update**

PC Reid informed the Parish Council that there had been no reported crimes in Brown or Chilton Candover since the last meeting and one incident in the same period, it was:

* 9/11 – a suspicious van seen at Chilton Manor Farm

To date in 2017 there have been several crimes in Brown Candover including:

* Criminal damage to crops
* A public order issue with a Police Car being rammed
* Theft of batteries
* Stolen plant pots
* An assault

In Chilton Candover there have been the following crimes:

* An incident of harassment
* An assault after a damage road traffic accident

The Councillors thanked PC Reid for his continuing support in the community.

**1052 Matters arising**

**Bus service & Good Neighbour Scheme –** The Clerk gave the Councillors an update on the presentation give by the Good Neighbour Project at the Cliddesdon Parish Council Meeting on 7th November. The project requires a committee to be set up to run the project along with volunteers and coordinators. The Clerk explained that to offer members of the community lifts etc that all these factors were required to be in place to safeguard those who volunteer and those who use the service. Natalie Rosebuck has asked to attend the next meeting and talk through how the project works to the Councillors.

**Action:** Councillors to agree if a presentation is required.

**Section 106 funds –** The Chairman confirmed to the Councillors that the section 106 money allocated to Candovers Parish Council with reference to Swarraton Farm is correct. The Councillors agreed that the £1,724.49 could be used to support the open spaces, Play Area and Playing Field criteria within the Candover Valley Club and associated facilities.

**Action:** Chairman to confirm if the money would be held by Hampshire County Council or paid directly to the Parish Council

It was agreed that an advert should be placed in the Oxdrove to ask the community for their thoughts about how the funds should be spent.

**Action:** Clerk to draft an advert.

**Speed Limits –** Councillor Curtis Hayward reported that she had spoken to the previous Clerk about the speed limit and the criteria for it being introduced. The limit had been approved for the road from Bryces Lane in Brown Candover to Chilton Manor Farm in Chilton Candover but this meant that the 3 homes a little further along the B3046 towards Preston Candover were not included. It was agreed that the limit would be implemented and then reviewed to get it extended to include these properties later.

PC Reid informed the Councillors that there had been no accidents along this stretch of the B3046 and that this would be one of the pieces of information Highways would use to decide if a limit was to be extended.

**Action:** Clerk to request one of the Speed Indication Devises from Preston Candover to be sited along this road so that data can be collected on the speeds driven.

The sign to direct traffic from Alresford to use the top road (C217) through to Preston Candover and Basingstoke was discussed.

**Action:** Clerk to chase up the emails about this sign

**1053 Financial Update**

The payments to be made at the meeting are: -

* + Hedge cutting at Cricket Field and Burial Ground - £560.00
  + Grant for Children’s Christmas Party - £300.00
  + Lengthsman duties for Cliddesdon - £456.00

The budgets for 2018/19 were discussed and the reminder of the 17/18 financial year. It is predicted that there will be approximately £3,600 in the account at the end of 17/18 and that the income is due to drop due to the reduction in the General Grant from £733 in 17/18 to £366 in 18/19 and nil the following year. The Council Tax support will also decrease and it has not yet been agreed the value of the grass cutting funds allocated. The Clerk explained that the predicted income for 18/19 was approximately £4,400 including the grass cutting funds and that if the usual grants are continued expenditure would be ££5,200. It was agreed that all the Councillors would review the costs ready for the next meeting.

**Action:** Councillors to look at costs and possibility of increasing the precept.

**Action:** Clerk to send out grant application forms to all the usual recipients with a covering emailing explaining about the limited funds.

**1054 CVC Update**

Councillor Curtis Hayward gave the Council a short update on the financial situation at the CVC including that while in the first quarter of 2017 it made a loss of £1,704, it made a profit of £318 in the second quarter and £1,871 in the third quarter.

The CVC is being used most days with a Palates class, Scouts, Darts, etc.

**1055 Website**

Councillor Peisley informed that Council that she needed to review if the last minutes were published on the website. It was agreed that the budget should be posted on the website once it is agreed.

**Action:** Councillor Peisley to update the Council at the next meeting

**1056 Planning**

None

**1057 Lengthsman Grant**

Councillor Peisley informed the Council that the speed limit sign on the Woodmancott Road is facing in the wrong direction and that some of the signs have become very faded. The Clerk explained that these issues should be reported to Highways via this website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance>

**Action:** Clerk to report signs to website

**1058 General correspondence**

None

**1059 Any Other Business**

Councillor Willmott reported that new telecoms cables were being added to the poles in Brown and Chilton Candover, which is believed to be faster broadband.

**1060 Date of meeting in 2018**

* + Monday 22nd January
  + Monday 26th March
  + Monday 4th June
  + Monday 23rd July
  + Monday 24th September
  + Monday 26th November