

**CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**Date:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2012. **Time:** 6:30pm  
**Venue:** Candover Valley Club

**Present:** Jonathan Moseley Chairman  
Sue Marriott Vice-Chairman  
Edwina Curtis-Hayward  
Di Peisley  
Adam Willmott  
Wendy Simson Clerk  
PC Andy Reid  
Andy Hill Candover Valley Club

**Apologise:** None

**628 Minutes of the last meeting**

Di asked about point 626 which stated that she would support the website development for the Parish Council which was going to be led by Preston Candover Council. The Chairman explained that he would contact Keith Irons, the Chairman of Preston Candover Council, and ask about how the project was progressing.

[Action: Chairman to contact Keith Irons and copy in Di to get action required.](#)

**629 Matters Arising**

The Clerk has looked into the cost of membership for CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England) which is £29 for a Parish Council. The Council agreed the cost and the cheque for membership was signed off.

[Action: Clerk to forward documentation to CPRE](#)

The Clerk explained that the 2011/12 accounts have been audited by the internal auditor and have been signed off. The Clerk has forwarded them to the Audit Commission by the 30<sup>th</sup> June as required. The Clerk explained that payment for the internal auditor was due at £50; the Council signed off the cheque.

[Action: Clerk to forward payment to Internal Auditor](#)

At the last meeting the Parish Council agreed to buy a marquee for the Jubilee celebrations. The cost was £977.82 which included heavy duty guide ropes which ensure it remains secure even in high winds. The Chairman asked for thanks to go to Lawrence for the purchasing of the item.

The Parish Council discussed the rental cost for the marquee. The Chairman suggested £100 for a weekend rental but it was suggested that this should be higher by other members of the Council. The Clerk agreed to send Edwina the dimensions of the marquee so she can identify how much a commercial rental would be for a similar item.

It was also suggested that the Clerk inform the insurance company about the purchase for public liability cover.

[Action: Clerk to send Edwina dimensions of marquee](#)

Action: Clerk to talk to insurance company about cost of cover for marquee.

**630 Police Update**

There have been two incidents in the Parish since the last meeting, a road accident where a car hit a tree and another where a tree fell across a road.

One of the attendees explained that they had reported through 101 a suspicious car, PC Reid confirmed that he had been informed of the call and that it belonged to a known family of thieves.

The Chairman explained that the lightening conductor, which was stolen from St Peter's church earlier in the year, has been replaced.

**631 Candover Valley Club update**

Andy talked the Parish Council through the refurbishment that is taken place at the Club in the front bar. The suspended ceiling is due to cost about £4,500 to £5,000 and this will make the room more snug. This will then allow for directional lighting particularly over the pool and snooker tables. There has also been replacement of the furniture and new tall stools and tables have been purchased to stand close to the bar area, in addition leather armchairs have also been bought.

A coffee shop is being run at the club at weekends and a number of rambling groups have booked to visit the club and use the parking and stop in for breakfast and afternoon tea before and after their walk.

There have recently been a high number of large events including the fete, jubilee and beer festival. There is now a gap in events until the children's Halloween party in October and the Christmas party in December.

There have been plans to sort out the car park area at the club. The costs are approximately £24,000 for a complete job or £4,000 to have the old surface removed and scalping's rolled in. The Club have decided on the latter option as this is due to last for about 10 years. Paul James, who owns a number of the properties, is being approached about approving the cost. The Club are also putting in a planning application for a sign. The old pub sign from the Crown Inn has been donated and they plan to erect it by the bus shelter. The Club also plan to put some signage by the cricket nets and also on the building.

**632 Financial statement**

The Clerk talked through the financial statement and explained that the Council are budgeted to have £8,728 at the end of the year against a carry in for 2011/12 of £11,563. The Vice-Chairman asked if there was any issue with the Council carrying such a large float. The Clerk explained that the money had been raised to pay for road works some years ago which was not required and so there was a reason for carrying this extra money. Also the grants which total £1,700 are likely not to continue and so this float would allow the Council to continue to claim the current precept if these was removed.

Di asked about replacing two of the pieces of glass in the telephone box in Brown Candover which have been broken by stones thrown up by passing cars. The Chairman agreed to a budget of £50.

Action: Di to get a price and order the glass and will talk to Jamie Brand about fitting it.

**633 Planning Applications**

**Moth House** – The planning application for the estate office, games room and gym has been amended to include a brick and flint front which is more in keeping with the surrounding buildings. The Council agreed that they had no objections to this application.

**Pelican House** – The planning application for a barn was discussed and there were some concerns raised about the access to the road from the barn and the limited visibility. The Clerk explained that this had been raised at the time the application was being commented on and while no objection was raised that this point of concern was reported to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

**Woolstrop** – The planning application for a garage and home office. The Parish Council have looked at the plans and they do not appear to be an accurate depiction of the buildings. The Council have therefore asked the Clerk to email Basingstoke and Deane for better drawings on which to make a decision. The general feeling was that the proposed building was disproportionately large against the main house.

[Action: Clerk to ask Basingstoke and Deane for more accurate plans](#)

**634 Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

The Parish Council felt that all the events planned for the weekend were fantastic. The Chairman asked that thanks be given to Alison, Gavin and the team for an exceptionally well planned and comprehensive event. The Chairman suggested that the Parish Council buy a gift for Alison and Gavin in thanks, which was agreed by the Council.

[Action: Chairman to look at a gift valued up to £50.](#)

The Chairman also thanked Chilton Manor Farm for supporting the Go-Cart races, holding the church service in their barn as it couldn't be held at the buried church due to rain and for the beacon. It was greatly appreciated the amount of time, effort and money had gone into particularly the beacon celebration on Monday evening.

**635 General Correspondence**

The Clerk explained that she had a number of regular publications through as electronic versions, so if anyone would like to receive copies she can send them on.

**636 Any Other Business**

The Chairman asked Di what she has written on the survey about local museums and art galleries, Di explained that it was a very simple return and she had suggested that more people needed to be able to get involved with local art related projects.

The Chairman also explained that the fete money was to be divided with £750 going to the Hampshire Air Ambulance and then £3,500 going to St Peter's Church and Candover Valley Club. This left a small float and money to buy some additional games and bunting for future years.

**637 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2012 at 7:30pm at the Candover Valley Club