

PRESTON CANDOVER AND NUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date:	Monday 15 th May 2023	Time:	8:15pm
Venue:	Preston Candover Village Hall, Preston Candover		
Present:	Robin Human	Chairman	
	Rebecca Kennelly	Vice Chairman	
	Daphne Prosser		
	Tish Owencroft		
	Luke Sherbrooke		
	Tara Paul		
	Wendy Simson	Clerk	
Apologise:	ClIr Juliet Henderson	County Councillor	
	Paul Gaskell	Borough Councillor	

1366 Apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Clerk had received apologies from ClIr Henderson and ClIr Gaskell.

1367 Minutes of the last meeting

The Councillors confirmed that the minutes were a true record of the last meeting held on Monday 20th March. The Clerk to provide a copy of the minutes for the Chairman to sign.

1368 Matters arising

QR Code on Map Board – the Chairman has produced a new QR code which will be attached to the map board, this project is now complete.

Marketing for new Councillors – As minute as part of the AGM a new prospective Councillor has been approached for Axford and two additional Councillors are required for Preston Candover.

1369 Financial Statement

The Clerk circulated the financial report prior to the meeting.

The Clerk applied for a Councillor Grant from ClIr Henderson towards the Coronation celebrations, £1,000 was awarded and the Parish Council had allocated £1,500 towards the event.

The following payments for the Coronation celebrations were approved since the last meeting:

- Hog Roast - £1,995
- Bouncy slide - £252.35
- Invitation printing - £67.50

The Parish Council received the following payments since the last meeting:

- £5,509.11 – 50% of precept plus grass cutting support
- £1,000 – ClIr Grant
- £8.24 interest

The payments due for approval are:

- Refurbishment of Play Area including new rocker - £2,136.00
- Coronation cake - £250.00
- Internal Audit - £160.00
- Hampshire Association of Local (HALC) subscription - £260.96
- Grass cutting (April) - £190.00

All these payments had receipts and were approved.

1370 Rights of Way

Cllr Kennelly informed the Council that there had been no new issues to report.

1371 Parish Council website

The Clerk reported that the website was up to date. There were a number of good photographs from the Coronation Big Lunch Party which the Clerk suggested using on the website. The Clerk also informed Councillors that a piece had been submitted for the June Oxdrove including some of the pictures.

1372 Planning

There have been no new planning applications since the last meeting.

The Clerk was contacted by Q2 Development about attending the meeting, the Clerk had agreed but explained that it would be a public meeting. There had been no other communication other than the original email. Councillors agreed that when plans are received that a meeting was to be called to allow all residents to view the application.

1373 Lengthsman

The Lengthsman dates for 2023/24 have been agreed, they are:

- Wednesday 31st May
- Tuesday 29th August
- Tuesday 28th November
- Tuesday 27th February

The Chairman was asked if a self-set ash tree could be removed by the Lengthsman from the area next the BT sub-station.

The Clerk also asked if a gate post could be replaced at the allotments, the new post is available.

Action: [Chairman to inform Lengthsman of tasks for next visit](#)

1374 Children's Play Area

All the outstanding actions have been completed.

The Clerk has purchased some varnish to paint the exposed wood.

It was also suggested that the trees in the Play Area needed cutting back, the Chairman confirmed that he would ask the Lengthsman to bring the appropriate tools for his next visit.

1375 Highways

Some of the potholes have been filled including those at the bottom of Stenbury Drive and by the War Memorial.

It was suggested that the SID be located on Wield Road in the near future but that the grass on the verge would need to be cut. The Clerk agreed to bring the "Smilie Face" SID back from Brown Candover so the units can be relocated, and one put on Wield Road.

Action: [Clerk to bring "Smilie face" SID back to Preston Candover and install outside Preston Farm, the SID from this location can then be placed on Wield Road.](#)

1376 Flooding

There have been some very heavy storms causing flash flooding particularly in Axford in the last few weeks. Cllr Gaskell and Cllr Henderson were both very helpful and have asked that ditches and grips be cleared along Green Lane.

Cllr Gaskell is also investigating if Ellisfield Parish Council are still working with landowners to ensure fields are ploughed parallel to the road to stop water running down the slope and onto the road.

Action: Ensure included on the next agenda

1377 Coronation Big Lunch

The Councillors agreed that the Big Lunch celebrations went very well and asked that thanks be reported to all members of the community who helped make it a success.

1378 General correspondence

The Clerk has received information about a license request for the "Cosmic Roots Music and Arts Festival at Kingsmore Copse, Ellisfield on the weekend of 2nd & 3rd September. The event will include:

- Films
- Live Music
- Recorded Music
- Performances of Dance

The license has been requested for the following hours:

Thursday 14:00 → 02:00

Friday 11:00 → 05:00

Saturday 11:00 → 06:00

Sunday 11:00 → 23.59

Any communication about the event needs to be sent to B&D by 9th June.

The Clerk has also had a grant request from Victim Support, Cllr Kennelly asked when the last application was received, the Clerk has investigated, and it was 2022.

Daphne reported that the Recreation Ground had been closed off in error and horses grazed on the area. The horses have now been removed and the fencing opened up to allow residents access, the remaining fencing will be removed in the next few days. It appears that John, who holds the lease on the field, has been unwell and the area has not been tended and no football played for the last two seasons. The Clerk has emailed John to ask for an update and offer support if required.

Action: Clerk to keep Councillors and Daphne up to date with progress.

1379 Dates of next meeting

- Monday 17th July 2023 (7:30pm)

The meeting closed at 9:15pm.