

ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Serving Farley Green, Brook, Little London & Newlands Corner

PARISH OF ALBURY NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Local Government Act 1972

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of Albury Parish Council which will be held on **Monday 5th November 2018 at 7.30pm**

In the **Memorial Library** for the transaction of the under mentioned business.

QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL

Present: Cllr J Rowland (in the chair), Cllrs S Dennis, P Gellatly, R Hogben, P Webb.

P Yeoman

County Cllr K Taylor Rev'd A Pearson

123/18 Apologies for absence: were received from Cllrs J Brockwell, G Robinson, S Scott, and the Clerk

Declarations of interest: Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest as defined by regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Localism Act 2011. You must withdraw from the room or chamber when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter

Cllr Yeoman recorded a personal interest in 127/18 (d) as he works for the estate

125/18 Minutes of the Meeting held Monday 1st October.

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held Thursday 11th October

The minutes were agreed as a correct record of the meetings and signed by the Chairman.

126/18 Matters Arising

Other than those contained in the agenda.

107/18: Open Spaces: adult exercise equipment: Cllr Rowland suggested that this should now form part of the Neighbourhood Plan portfolio. Cllr Dennis agreed

107/18: Village Hall debts: item deferred to December meeting, with interim update from Cllr Rowland. Cllr Rowland reported that he had met with Cllr Brockwell and the Clerk to review General Accounts including those for the Village Hall. Cllr Brockwell reported that the list of debtors had reduced. There were some historic debts (pre-2017) some of which Cllr Rowland had agreed should be written off as they were incurred in 16/17

108/18a: defibrillator report: item regarding defibrillator at Newlands Corner deferred to December meeting.

127/18 Chairman and Clerks matters arising

- a) Website report: members noted the request to advise the Clerk of errors or updates to the Parish Council website prior to each meeting, so that these can be circulated and acted on.
 - Discussion took place regarding the publication of a welcoming Pack for new residents. Cllr Webb undertook to provide a copy to Cllr Dennis
 - Cllr Dennis to meet with Cllr Rowland to discuss recommencing the Albury Matters bulletin as part of a general communications folio.
- b) WWI 100th anniversary: 4 banners have been purchased, at a cost of £183.49 + vat, and have been displayed around the Parish. This was well received by councillors who though they were an appropriate gesture

- c) Parish Council surgery: the Chairman and Clerk will now meet in the Memorial Library on the second and fourth Monday of each month, from 2.30pm, starting in November, and will be available to the public from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. JR confirmed this would commence as of 12 November
- d) New Campaign to stop countryside car park charges: launched by Surrey live. Cllrs Dennis, Hogben and Webb were of the opinion that the council should object to the Parking Charges on the basis that charges denied access for those who could not afford to pay these charges

Cllr Rowland noted that the council had previously provided qualified support for the charges and as such it may be difficult to reconcile a change on approach. He also noted that as this was a policy matter he felt that it was appropriate for the full council to consider this point. Cllr Rowland undertook to publish the previous letter of support in advance of the next meeting

- Police matters: the following offences were reported in the month of August: 1 theft and 1 anti-social behaviour on or near A25; 1 drugs on Water Lane; 1 drugs on Drove Road; 1 criminal damage and arson Warners Lane; 1 public order Brook lane; 1 vehicle crime Ride Lane.
- 129/18 **Open Forum**: members of the public are welcome to attend and to ask questions or make representations No matters were raised.
- 130/18 **Committee reports**: to receive brief reports on the following:

Highways, byways: Cllr Brockwell to Update at next meeting as he is currently away.

<u>traffic:</u> Cllr Robinson To Update at next meeting as he was unable to attend this meeting due to a lastminute work commitment

<u>Outdoor maintenance</u>: <u>Cllr Yeoman reported</u> that general maintenance matters were ongoing and that he was working well with Cllr Brockwell to stay on top of the day to day issues.

He would still like to meet and review with the Contractor Tadpole Water Gardens to review the maintenance proposals for the Farley Green pond going forward.

He is concerned at the kerb erosion that is occurring on the south side of the street just past the Mill It was agreed he would organise a meeting with the relevant GBC inspector and invite Cllr Brockwell to join him Cllr Rowland noted that he would also like to attend

Open Spaces: Cllr Rowland suggested this should now form part of NHP folio. Cllr Dennis agreed

<u>Planning and Environment:</u> Cllr Gellatly raised the subject of posts erected on Parish Council land. Cllr Rowland confirmed that a letter would be written to occupants on this matter confirming that they are required to remove the posts.

Minutes of meeting held 15th October: noted and agreed

<u>Village Hall:</u> Cllr Brockwell to update at next meeting as he is currently on holiday

<u>Allotments</u> Community Orchard: Cllr Robinson To Update at next meeting as he was unable to attend this meeting due to a last-minute work commitment

131/18 Neighbourhood Plan

Members to receive a report from Cllr Dennis who reported she had received a second draft of the Housing Needs Survey which supported the need for Affordable Housing within the Parish.

Cllr Dennis will chase the final report from Louise Williams of Surrey Community Action

SD confirmed that there will be a Steering Group Visoning presentation by John Dowty of ONiel Holmer in the Memorial Library on the 14/11/18

132/18 **Finance**

- a) Cheque list for October 2018:
 - Members approved the cheque list and expenditure for the period
- b) Bank reconciliation: end September 2018: noted.
- c) Management report to date: Noted
- **d)** External auditors report and Clerk's notes to the report: members agreed to defer this item to the December meeting, as neither the Clerk nor Cllr Brockwell are present.

133/18 Councillors business: for noting or including on a future agenda

- a) KT asked the Council to note that SCC were projecting as Budget overspend of £80M with the cost of social care continuing to rise and as such it formed a very significant proportion of SCC Budget. As such it was inevitable that there will be cuts across all services.
- b) Cllr Hogben tabled a letter of resignation from the Council.

134/18 **New Correspondence:** *tabled at the meeting.*

a) University of Surrey: Surrey Hills Symposium, 28th November. Debate: is the countryside under threat? Do we need a new national park for the Surrey Hills? Open to the public, full information on the Parish Council website.

117/18 Dates of meetings

Full Council: 3rd December, 7th January
Planning: 26th November, 17th December

Highways: 10th December
Maintenance: 10th December
Communications and Marketing 26th November
Village Hall: tba, when required

SCC Local Committee: