



Pebmarsh Parish Council



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MINUTES of the meeting held 17 January 2017

Present:

Cllr Anderson
Cllr Crimmins

Cllr Holder
Cllr Sharp

District Cllr Spray

Clerk: Mrs P Potter

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Tufnell and District Cllr Siddall.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was Proposed Cllr Anderson, Seconded Cllr Holder and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 1 December 2016 as a true record and they were signed accordingly.

4. District and County Items

4.1 BDC Issues:

Cllr Spray reported that there is not much to report from BDC at present as things are fairly quiet.

4.2 ECC Issues:

Cllr Finch was not available for this meeting.

6. Public Forum

None

7. BDC Planning

7.1 Planning Applications:

None

7.2: Planning Committee – *these were noted:*

- 16/02003/FUL: Spoons Hall, Levitts Corner – Dismantling and rebuilding of an outbuilding. *The Parish Council had no comments and no objections.*
- 16/02135/FUL: Grove House, Cross End – Erection of first floor side and rear extension. *The Parish Council had no comments and no objections.*

7.3 Planning Results - *It was noted that the following applications were Granted:*

- 16/01601/FUL: Le Mote Cottages, Cross End – Proposed Boarding Cattery with reception and storage area. *The Parish Council had no comments or objections.*

- 16/01707/FUL: Oakapples, Byndes Corner – Proposed 25m x 45m domestic equestrian arena, muck clamp, track and hard standing arena. *The Parish Council had no comments or objections.*
- 16/01818/FUL: Barley Mow, Cross End: Single storey rear extension and first floor extension over existing. *The Parish Council had no comments or objections.*

8. Footpaths and Grass Cutting

Following receipt of three quotes for the cutting of the footpaths, it was Proposed Cllr Anderson, Seconded Cllr Holder and unanimously agreed to offer the work to Robert Henn for two cuts during the 2017/18 season. These are usually undertaken at the end of April and in September/October, depending on conditions.

Cllr Sharp proposed putting together a working party of volunteers to get some of the footpaths into shape, prior to the start of the season, to give a good starting point for their ongoing maintenance. Cllr Sharp will put out a notice on the email list to ask for volunteers. He has also arranged for a meeting with an ECC P3 Officer to discuss maintenance of the footpath bridges and other defects.

With regard to the cutting of grassed areas in the village, Cllr Sharp is currently waiting for further quotes on this and will report back to the Clerk once received.

9. Playground

Having received three quotes for the work identified in the recent RoSPA inspection, it was Proposed Cllr Crimmins, Seconded Cllr Anderson and unanimously agreed to instruct Robert Henn to undertake this work, subject to the clarification of two items. The Clerk will contact Mr Henn to progress this and report back to Councillors.

10. BDC Open Spaces Action Plan

BDC have requested that the Pebmarsh entry on the Open Spaces Action Plan be reviewed. It was agreed to keep the entry in regarding the football pitch but to change the playground entry to read 'for improvements and maintenance of playground equipment'.

11. Budget and Precept 2017/18

Following final discussions, it was Proposed Cllr Crimmins, Seconded Cllr Tufnell and unanimously agreed to set the budget and precept as follows:

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| Budget for 2017/18: | £8,838 |
| (BDC Localism Grant: | £ 979) |
| Precept Required: | £7,859 |

This equates to a -0.42% decrease on 2016/17, with a Band D property charge of £33.52 (a -14p decrease on 2016/17).

The Precept demand was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk and will be submitted to BDC.

12. Finance

12.1 Finance Report

The latest finance reports were received.

12.2 Cheques to be Approved for Payment

It was Proposed Cllr Sharp, Seconded Cllr Crimmins and unanimously agreed that the following cheques are approved for payment:

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| 12.2.1 | £418.16 | Salary (Nov to Dec 2016) |
| 12.2.2 | £ 35.94 | Clerk Expenses (Nov to Dec 2016) |
| 12.2.3 | £ 38.40 | C Mortimer: Play Equipment Inspection (Dec 2016) |

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| 12.2.4 | £ 85.00 | EALC – Chairman’s Training Day |
| 12.2.5 | £ 20.00 | Street Light Provision |

12.3 Payments made between meetings were noted and approved:

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| 12.3.1 | £ 26.40 | A & J Lighting Maintenance (Dec 2016) |
| 12.3.2 | £ 26.40 | A & J Lighting Maintenance (Jan 2017) |
| 12.3.3 | £ 13.77 | Clerk Expenses |

12.4 Monies received since the last meeting were noted:

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| 12.4.1 | £ 210.00 | EALC Small Council Training Bursary |
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13. Glebe Land – Deed of Variation

Cllr Anderson will be looking into the draft Deed of Variation received from Strutt and Parker’s solicitors, which are to remedy the fact that a break clause was not put in the lease correctly. This will be brought back to the next meeting for agreement. Councillors were in agreement that Cllr Anderson clarify the aspects and bring this back to the next meeting.

14. Clerk’s Report

Nothing to report.

15. Date of Next Meeting

To be agreed and publicised.

16. Closure

The meeting closed at 845pm.

Signed

Chairman

Date