**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on**

**Thursday 4 September 2014**

**15 Minute Public Forum**

No items were raised by members of the public.

**106/14 Present:**

Cllrs Hattersley (Chair), Bell, Gauntlett, and Lyons.

C.Binnie (Clerk), and 4 members of the public.

**107/14 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Simon.

**108/14 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Hattersley declared a non-pecuniary interest in the remaining items by reason of being a member of the IWALC Executive Committee.

Cllrs Hattersley and Gauntlett declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 115/14c, by reason of being a member of the Havenstreet and Wooton Bridge Community Bus Joint Management Committee.

Cllr Gauntlett declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 116/14a, by reason of being a member of the IOW Council, and Ryde Town Council.

**109/14 Minutes**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 August 2014 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the meeting.

**110/14 Parishioners Correspondence**

Correspondence from parishioners D.Smith, H.Dawes, M.Halder, M.Preece, F.Watts, and K.Rann, commenting on the community bus, newsletter, recreation ground, wild flower garden, best kept village, and the proposed 20mph speed limit, was read out and noted.

**111/14 Chairman’s Report**

The Chairman reported she would look at submitting an application under the Vodafone Rural Signal Scheme.

**112/14 Questions to the Chair**

No questions were raised. It was agreed that in future this item would become Members Questions

**113/14 Policing Items**

The Clerkreported on behalf of the police that police support volunteers were required to operate community speedwatch. A recruitment morning was being held on 22 October 2014.

**114/14 Isle of Wight Councillor’s Report**

In his capacity as the Isle of Wight Councillor for Havenstreet, Ashey and Haylands, Cllr Gauntlett reported that the IOW Council had been in its summer recess, but

1. He had attended numerous meetings, particularly relating to discretionary services,
2. He confirmed the proposed 20mph speed limit for Main Road, Havenstreet, was in the IOW Council capital programme.

**115/14 Other Reports**

To receive the reports of H&APC representatives on outside Bodies:

1. Havenstreet Community Association

There had been no meeting in August, but a quiz night was being held on 13 September. A book club was also being set up.

1. IOW Association of Local Councils

There had been no meetings in August.

1. Community Bus Partnership

A meeting of the Havenstreet and Wooton Bridge Community Bus Joint Management Board was to be held on 18 September.

The Chairman and Cllr Gauntlett were the representatives.

**116/14 IOW Council Discretionary Services and Recreation Ground**

1. Consideration was given to the letter from the IOW Council, dated 20 August 2014, detailing its discretionary service proposal for the recreation ground, and request for a contribution towards the cost of beach cleaning and environment officers.

It was agreed to defer this item to the meeting on 2 October, in order to obtain a quote from an alternative ground maintenance provider.

1. Consideration was given to the proposed wildflower garden on the recreation ground. The Chairman, Cllr Lyons, and the Clerk had met with IOW Council officers and contractors, who were providing information on the cost of ground preparation and maintenance. As this had not been received, it was agreed to defer this item to the meeting on 2 October.

**117/14 Best Kept Village Award**

Following Havenstreet’s success in the competition, the invitation to attend the award ceremony on 25 September was received. It was agreed the Chairman and her husband would attend.

**118/14 Planning**

The following planning application was considered:

1. Overdene Chase, Gatehouse Road, Upton.

Proposed variation of a condition to allow a revised position, design and layout of approved stable block.

**Resolved:** Councillors to view the application, and forward any comments to the Clerk by 25 September, for submitting to the IOW Council.

The following planning decisions were reported:

1. Extension to waste station, Briddlesford Road, Newport - Approved.

ii) Extension to Taveners, Church Road, Havenstreet - Refused

**119/14 Correspondence**

The Clerk reported the following correspondence:

1. IOW Council – Community Highways Fund

It was agreed to support the formation of across-party group to prioritize highways improvement schemes, and to contribute to the implementation of small schemes in the parish.

1. County Partnership Training, on Contracts and Tenders, on

1 October.

It was agreed the Chairman and Clerk would attend.

1. IOW AONB Partnership forum on 8 October.

It was agreed the Chairman would attend.

1. IOW Music, Dance and Drama Festival, seeking funding donations.

**Resolved:** To make a Sec 137 donation of £50

**120/14 Clerk’s Report**

The Clerk reported:

1. Arrangements had been made for the re-varnishing of the wooden seats on the recreation ground, in the church yard, at Rowlands Cross, and at Upton Cross; and the re-painting of the recreation ground goal-posts.
2. He had reported to Island Roads:
3. the poor condition of Main Road, Havenstreet, opposite Coppidhall Farm;
4. the tree, ditches, rubbish and the lay-by road surface, at The Glade, Ashey, to Island Roads.

**121/14 Finance**

1. **Resolved:** To authorize the following payments:

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| **Cheque No.** | **Payee** | **Details** | **Amount £** |
| 521 | C.Binnie - Clerk | Salary, allowances, & expenditure | 349.49 |
| 522 | HCA | Room Hire | 12.00 |
| 523 | IOW Music, Dance & Drama Festival | Sec 137 Donation | 50.00 |

1. Consideration was given to the allowance paid to the Clerk for the use of his home office, telephone and broadband. It was noted the average paid by other similar Parish Councils was £25 per month.

**Resolved:** To increase the Clerks allowance fro £16.50 per month to £25.00 per month.

**122/14 Date of Next Meeting**

It was noted the next meeting will be at 7pm on Thursday 2 October 2014, at the Havenstreet Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm