**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 3 March 2016**

**15 Minute Public Forum**

 No issues were raised.

**37/16 Present:**

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

 C.Binnie (Clerk). Mr Andrew Liddle (Guest). One members of the public.

**38/16**  **Apologies**

 Apologies were received from Cllrs Gauntlett for unavoidable delay in arriving.

**39/16 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; and Cllrs Hattersley and Gauntlett declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 47/16c and by reason of being a member of the Havenstreet and Wooton Bridge Community Bus Joint Management Board.

**40/16 Minutes**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting on 4 February 2016 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the meetings.

**41/16 Presentation**

Andrew Liddle of Westridge Ltd., gave an interesting and informative presentation on commercial waste recycling operations at their Downend facility.

Cllr Gauntlett arrived at the meeting.

**42/16 Parishioners Correspondence**

 The Clerk reported he had received, and replied to, correspondence from

Mr Barry Wyatt about the increase in the Parish Council precept for 2016/17.

**43/16 Chairman’s Report**

The Chairman reported she had undertaken HR training; and had attended an AONB meeting, which had included a visit to the digester plant in Arreton. She also reported she had attended the Saturday market, and an HCA quiz night.

**44/16 Questions to the Chair**

Cllr Lyons raised questions about the damaged fencing near the playground on the recreation ground; and about the on-going water/flooding in Church Road. It was agreed the Clerk would report these matters to the IOW Council and Island Roads.

**45/16 Policing Items**

The Clerk reported on behalf of PCSO Allen, that there had been instances of rogue traders pushing gardening services in the area.

**46/16 Isle of Wight Councillor’s Report**

Cllr Gauntlett reported:

1. The IOW Council’s financial situation; that a budget had been set; and that the situation was likely to be worse next year, with more devolution of services to Parish Councils.
2. There had been no significant developments on Hampshire Devolution, although there was notable resistance to the proposal for a regional mayor.

**47/16 Other Reports**

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

1. Havenstreet Community Association

There was to be a jumble sale on 19th March; there were on-going issues with the refurbishment of the Community Centre; and the next joint newsletter was due in April.

1. IOW Association of Local Councils:

The Chair reported she had attended the last IWALC meeting, when the main topic had been finance, cuts and devolution.

1. CBP and H&WBJCBMB:

There had been no meetings. It was agreed to discontinue this item as a regular agenda item.

**48/16 Ashey**

Cllr Bell reported a leaning oak tree at the Ashey lay-by, and concern about the new safety barriers. It was agreed to raise these matters with Island Roads.

**49/16 Planning**

1. There were no submitted planning applications to consider.
2. There were no planning decisions reported.
3. Two imminent planning applications were considered:
4. Cllr Simon declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application and took no part in its consideration.

**P/00006/16 or TCP/21646/N**

**Robin Hill Country Park, Downend, Newport**

Full planning consent for proposed 22 tree houses, 28 lodges, 40 glamping tents, associated footpaths and facilities; proposed bakery and reception building; alterations to vehicular access; formation of car park; associated landscaping.

As this application falls between meeting, it was agreed Councillors (excluding Cllr Simon) would examine the application, and forward any comments to the Clerk, by 23 March, for submission to the IOW Council.

1. **P/00207/16 or LDC/00847/R**

**Little Duxmore Farm, Rowlands Lane, Havenstreet.**

Lawful Development Certificate for the retention of mobile toilet block.

As this application falls between meeting, it was agreed Councillors would examine the application, and forward any comments to the Clerk, by 23 March, for submission to the IOW Council.

**50/16 Community Bus**

Cllr. Gauntlett reported the voluntary community bus service had now been registered as a charity; but that approval / registration of the route was awaited from the Traffic Commissioners. When all the approvals and registrations were in place, there would be a request to draw down the funding.

**51/16 Correspondence**

No correspondence had been received.

**52/16 Clerk’s Report**

The Clerk reported on:

1. An IWALC workshop on budgets and devolution, planned for 18 March.
2. The IOW Council’s new dedicated mailbox for Parish Councils.
3. IWALC’s progress on funding a planning enforcement officer.
4. A request for contributions towards the cost of funding the IOW Walking and Cycling Festivals. It was agreed not to contribute.

Cllrs Bell and Gauntlett left the meeting.

**53/16 Finance**

**Resolved:**

1. To approve the donation of the Best Kept Village prize money (£150) to the Havenstreet Community Centre to assist with the upkeep of the Community Centre.
2. To approve the purchase of 50 Queens Birthday Commemorative Medals, at a cost of £1.99 +VAT per medal, +P&P.
3. To approve the 2016/17 Financial Risk Assessment document.
4. To note/authorize the following payments:

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| **Cheque No.** | **Payee** | **Details** | **Amount £** |
| BACS | IWALC | Annual Subscription | 135.47 |
| 591 | Clerk | Salary and Expenditure | 353.82 |
| 592 | HCA | Room Hire | 12.00 |
| 593 | Haven Taxis | Community Taxi-Bus Service | 278.00 |

**54/16 Date of Next Meeting**

It was noted the next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday 7 April 2016, in the Community Centre, Main Road Havenstreet.

The meeting ended at 8.25pm