**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 1st February 2018**

**15 Minute Public Forum**

No items were raised.

**19/18 Present:**

Cllrs Hattersley (Chair) M Lyons, E Bell, and K Hull.

R Priest (Clerk).

**20/18 Apologies**

Cllr Gauntlett & Cllr S Lyons. Cllr V Churchman

**21/18 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest. Cllr Gauntlett submitted an update to his Declarations of interest.

**22/18 Minutes**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 1st January 2018, be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the meetings.

**23/18 Parishioners Correspondence**

Members confirmed ongoing monitoring of parking issues near to the Havens development, and that the ongoing construction work had contributed to the parking pressures. In addition, planning issue was being taken forward by Ward Member and Chair had informal meeting with planning officer in February.

**24/18 Chairman’s Report**

The Chairman reported on Roebeck concerns, and members discussed raising concerns with MP who had expressed similar concern regarding a development in Rookley, and it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the MP accordingly.

The Chairman also noted there was considerable uncertainty regarding possible healthcare changes at St Mary’s Hospital and impacting on local residents, and there was a possibility that Dr Arun Baksi, a specialist consultant at St Mary’s, may be available to give a presentation to a future meeting (possibly in March), the Chair would discuss and take forward if appropriate.

**25/18 Members Questions to the Chair**

Members discussed the ongoing issue with excessive surface water on Church Road, and at other locations across Havenstreet and Ashey, and that it appeared to have been aggravated by roadworks in recent years, and it was agreed that the Clerk contact the Island Roads District Steward again to seek a site meeting to seek a resolution to this matter.

**26/18 Policing Items**

The Clerk had previously circulated the Police Report, and it was also agreed to seek clarification on whether there was still a Beat Surgery in Binstead.

**27/18 Isle of Wight Councillor’s Report**

Cllr Churchman sent apologies, and sent a report highlighting ongoing ward work, the forthcoming IWC Budget, and that the planning issue was still subject to extensive discussion, and that there was a potential revision.

**28/18 Other Reports**

Havenstreet Community Association – the Chair updated members on continued success of the Raise the Roof fundraising initiative, including a recent Burns Night Celebration that also raised funds for other good causes, and that builders had been on site to provide estimates for the planned work.

It was also noted that proposals for shelving in the Bus Shelter/Community Library had been discussed and the Parish Council would draft a supportive letter if required by island Roads or other authority.

Cllr Lyons reported on the IWC Budget Meeting and the £8 million cuts being faced and limited publication of the areas to be cut, although it was suggested that Council Tax would rise 5-6%; the development of the Island Plan to replace the existing and outdated strategy for the Island, and it was hoped this would be available for consultation by 8th June 2018.

It was also noted that agreements for Grass Cutting and verge maintenance were due for renegotiation and members would discuss when letters had been received, as this would impact on the recreation ground.

**29/18 Ashey**

Cllrs Bell and Hull reported on the continued issues created by developments and road maintenance works, including at Gatehouse and Carters, and that any meeting with Island Roads would need to consider this together with speeding in that area. Cllr Bell also suggested that members consider holding a future meeting in Ashey, in the Garage, and would discuss with Garage to see if this was a viable in the forthcoming year.

**30/18 Planning**

1. Consideration was given to the following applications:
2. P/01549/17 Members noted the application and had read comments expressed and satisfied that Planning had dealt with concerns.
3. P/00728/H Members noted that this was a variation on existing condition and was being dealt with by the appropriate planning regulations.
4. Members noted the forthcoming informal meeting with planning officers by Chairman and Cllr Hull, and Clerk, and that the issues to be discussed had been forwarded to the Chairman.

**31/18 Correspondence and Meeting Dates for 2018/19**

Members agreed the Meeting dates for the year to be: Thursday 1st March 2018; Thursday 5th April 2018; Thursday 3rd May AGM; Thursday 7th June 2018; Thursday 5th July 2018; No meeting in August; Thursday 6th September 2018; Thursday 4th October 2018; Thursday 1st November 2018; Thursday 6th December 2018; Thursday 3rd January 2019; Thursday 7th February 2019; and Thursday 7th March 2019. All meetings from 7pm in Havenstreet Community Centre, except for AGM in Steam Railway, with consideration of a meeting in Ashey Garage.

**32/18 Age Friendly Island**

The Chairman reported on the 17th January meeting with Lisa Toynes, from Age Friendly Island, and that the Parish Champion, Cllr S Lyons, also attended. Members would be circulated the draft when received, and would also note that the plan was to highlight potential areas for development and external funding opportunities. Members had also been circulated related training opportunities.

**33/18 Clerk’s Report**

The Clerk’s report was covered by above items, and that emails from IW Council had been forwarded for information.

**34/18 Finance**

**Resolved:**

1. The IOW Council precept letter was noted and the total precept confirmed to remain as is for 2018/19: Precept = £11,804 with grant of £196 totalling £12,000.  
   Grant = £196
2. Members noted the budget situation, and agreed the draft budget for 2018/19; and agreed following payments:

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| Cheque No | Payee | Details | Amount £ |
| 665 | Community Action IW | Payroll, HMRC and Clerks Salary Dec 17 & Jan 18 | 688-46 |
| 666 | Vectis Tree Specialists | Xmas Tree installation & removal | 114-99 |
| 667 | Havenstreet CA | Room Hire Dec 17 | 5-00 |
| 668 | | R Priest | Clerk expenses Dec 17, Jan 18 & Stationery, Ink | 217-56 |

**35/18 Date of Next Meeting**

It was noted the next scheduled meeting will be at 7pm, on Thursday

1st March 2018, in the Community Centre, Main Road, Havenstreet.

The meeting ended at 8.15pm