**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**At 7pm on Thursday 20 January 2022**

**15 Minute Public Forum**

Items covered in Parishioners Correspondence, attendance was limited

due to Covid guidance

**Present:**

Cllrs V Hattersley (Chair), S Lyons, K Hull, C Gauntlett, B Blezzard, and M Lyons.

R Priest (Clerk), Cllr C Mosdell and 2 members of the Public.

**74/21/22 Apologies**

The Chairman outlined Covid arrangements to members and public present, and noted rearranged meeting date due to guidance.

**75/21/22 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Hattersley noted that she was also Chair of Community association, Cllr S Lyons was also involved with Community Association, and Cllr B Blezzard was also a Parish Councillor in Newchurch, member of NALC, SERCAF, HIOWLGA and partner involved in HCA, Cllr M Lyons member of IWALC and LAF. There were no other declarations in addition to those previously disclosed on declaration forms.

**76/21/22 Minutes**

Members unanimously agreed, subject to correction of typo on65/21/22 the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4 November 2021 and the chairman signed them as a true and accurate record.

**77/21/22 Parishioners Correspondence**

Parishioners Correspondence would be covered by Chairman’s Report.

**78/21/22 Policing Items**

Members noted item.

**79/21/22 Chairman’s Report**

The Chairman noted the meeting with local residents and Cllr Mosdell, and the subsequent correspondence with IWC Planning Enforcement Officers, and the efforts taken to try and address the issues raised. Members noted that it may be appropriate later in the year to arrange similar meeting with residents from Ashey to try and address their concerns.

The Chairman noted the actions taken by the Clerk, and members, to address concerns regarding the abandoned vehicle in the Main Road near Church Road, and the correspondence with Island Roads, and hoped action would be taken once the advised deadline had been reached.

Cllr Hattersley also advised members of arrangements for the AGM in May, with consideration for using the Community Centre for the meetings, to be discussed at future meeting.

The Chairman welcomed Lucy Nicholas, Resilience Project Officer, from Community Action, who updated members on the initiatives taken forward from the hub based at Aspire in Ryde, including a transport initiative for residents, and members noted that it may be helpful to extend to Ashey, and that the Parish may be able to make a small contribution to costs in the future. Ms Nicholas noted the potential to develop groups, working with HCA, to address isolation in the village, as well as extend the support that is available. The Clerk would circulate the draft Resilience Action Plan, and a further meeting arranged at the Community Centre later in the year, to discuss, and take forward, initiatives within Havenstreet and Ashey. The Chairman and members thanks Ms Nicholas for the presentation and the work undertaken during the pandemic.

The Clerk updated members on the Defibrillator, which had been ordered but was subject to supply chain delays and NHS being deployed on Covid related activities, and that the box and defibrillator would be ready for collection later in the Spring, and the Clerk would liaise with Cllr Mosdell regarding installation.

Members discussed possible projects for the Queen’s Platinum Jubliee in June 2022, and would include £500 budgetary provision in 2022/23 Budget, for a potential event, and £100 per annum for 3 years towards HCA developing an accessible garden for residents, and this matter would be discussed further at the next meeting.

**80/21/22 IW Councillors Report**

Cllr Mosdell updated members on correspondence with IWC Planning Enforcement Officers, including Rowlands Lane, and the guidance to residents to keep a diary of any activity that may breach planning regulations and any permissions granted. Cllr Mosdell also highlighted the forthcoming update in the Highway Code, and the need for the IW Council to retain a budget line, and funding, for Road Safety especially in Rural Areas, and noted that the Executive Member had said the Speeding Review was due in November 2023 and, to date, Town and Parish Councils had not had any guidance on their involvement, including potential applications for Quiet Road status. Cllr Mosdell also noted review of Rights of Way, planned to end in 2026, and the Clerk would contact Daryl Clarke for details, and circulate to members.

**81/21/22 Other Reports**

a/ HCA – Members noted receipt of Island Roads grant, RJR grant and donation from White Hart, formation of Jubilee Committee, forthcoming events including jumble sale, and development of the 100 club, as well as plans for the 50th anniversary of the Association.

b/ IWALC – Cllr Blezzard noted that 23 March 2022 was virtual Lobby Day in Westminster, the Boundary Review Commission was meeting in Portsmouth and the submission by the Parish Council would be discussed and Cllr Blezzard was asked to attend on behalf of the Parish, as well. Cllr M Lyons noted code of conduct training, and there may be a need to change date of next meeting, and the Clerk would circulate options.

c/ LAF – Cllr M Lyons updated members on the development of the Coastal Path project, and involvement of DEFRA.

**82/21/22 Ashey**

Cllr K Hull updated members on recent issues, including the criminal damage to the Private Road sign, and members discussed actions to address this matter. Cllr K Hull also members on feedback on the Ponda Rosa application, from local residents which helped inform the response.

**83/21/22 Planning**

1. Consideration was given to the following planning applications:

i/21/02514/FUL – Ponda Rose, Ashey. Members unanimously agreed to oppose the application on the grounds of:

a/ The proposed development is outside and not adjacent to any defined settlement boundary, and contrary to SP1 and SP2.

b/ The proposed development is unsustainable given the absence of public transport and sustainable safe options for walking and cycling which will result in greater use of private car journeys contrary to DM17.

c/ The development will be out of character with the rural setting contrary to DM2.

d/ The proposed development comprising only properties for sale at the market rate will not meet any defined local need and will not support DM4 in the locality.

e/ Members were also concerned that safe access to and egress from the site issues have not yet been addressed to the satisfaction of the Highways Officer.

Members also noted other concerns, which included flood plain issues.

Members noted planning decisions taken since the November meeting and circulated by the Clerk.

**84/21/22 Correspondence**

The Clerk updated members on correspondence since previous meeting.

**85/21/22 Clerk’s Report**

The Clerk’s report was covered by items earlier in the agenda.

**86/21/22 Finance**

a/ Members noted the finance report until 31.12.2021, and the clerk would circulate electronic copies, updating website and noted cost savings during Covid, and agreed the payments schedule included in the finance report.

c/ Members discussed the current situation regarding reserves, including the savings made during the Covid pandemic, and the Clerk would circulate the letter received from IWC regarding timetable for precept notification. Members noted that a stand still budget may be appropriate for 2022-23 with consideration for possible inflationary increase for 2023-2024, but noted the cost pressures being faced by families at this time.

**87/21/22 Date of Next Meeting**

The Chairman, noted attendance on forthcoming training course and the clerk would circulate details for the budget meeting in February.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm