**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**At 7.45pm on Thursday 6 July 2023**

**15 Minute Public Forum**

 **Present:**

 Cllrs S Lyons (Chair), V Hattersley, K Hull and M Lyons.

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

**27/23/24 Apologies**

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Gauntlett, Ballard and IW Cllr Mosdell, and the Chair welcomed Raine Elliss to the meeting, to help the Clerk address capacity issues at this time and help with future projects.

**28/22/23 Declarations of interest**

Cllr S Lyons was vice-chair of the Community Association, and Cllr M Lyons was a member of IWALC and his wife involved in HCA. There were no other declarations in addition to those previously disclosed on declaration forms.

**29/23/24 Minutes**

**Resolved unanimously:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the meeting.

**30/23/24 Questions to the Chair**

Cllrs noted increase in dog fouling in the Recreation Ground and the clerk would contact the Environment Officer accordingly, and also seek update of repairs to the perimeter fence. Members also noted concerns regarding E-Scooters in the village, as well as continued issues with drivers parking and using Station Road inconsiderately in Ashey, and members agreed for this to be an agenda item in the Autumn and residents to highlight concerns in local media.

The Chair updated on possible events for the Kings Birthday with a mini-orchard at the Recreation Ground; members confirmed budget allocation of £100 to help towards costs of Parish newsletter; Island Roads had indicated a delay in planned works in Church Road, although Utilities Firm taking forward Pondcast works

**31/23/24 Ashey**

Members noted continued concerns regarding road markings at Deacon’s Lane Bridge, which had been reported to Island Roads, and Fix My Street.

**32/23/24 Planning**

Members noted correspondence circulated by the Clerk.

**33/23/24 Councillor Reports**

Cllr M Lyons noted recent IWALC AGM, and being appointed to IWC Appeals Committee, and that there was a new IWALC Chair, Ann Bamford, and IWC were still asking local Councils about taking responsibility for specific IWC services in the future, such as some planning functions; and there was no LAF meeting.

Cllr V Hattersley updated members on the success on the fruit and veg patch in the HCA garden, a donation of £115, possibility of a joint Parish/HCA with Southern Water in the Autumn, and securing Xmas Tree for annual event.

**34/23/24 Clerk’s Report & Corresponence**

The Clerk updated members on Recreational Ground issues, possible invitation of new High Sheriff to community event, and work on the Glade, with other reports previously circulated.

**35/23/24 Finance**

**Resolved:**

1. Members confirmed accounts and reconciliation until 30 June 2023.
2. Members noted receipt of £700.86 VAT claim.
3. Clerk to refund Coronation Rose for recent celebrations.
4. Members confirmed future contribution toward Parish newsletter costs;
5. Clerk confirmed purchase of Umbrella’s for Parish event and project;
6. Raine Elliss updated members on upgrade to laptop, as well as discussions with Ashey Garage regarding Defib project, which could be celebrated in November as part of wider King’s event.

**36/23/24 Date of Next Meeting**

The Chairman confirmed, there were no planned meetings in August or December, with the schedule of meetings as at the Community Centre at 7.30pm on:

Thursday 7 September 2023

Thursday 5 October 2023

Thursday 2 November 2022

Thursday 4 January 2024

Thursday 1 February 2024

Thursday 7 March 2024

Thursday 4 April 2024

Thursday 2 May 2024

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.