HORNDEAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT JUBILEE HALL ON MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2016 AT 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs L Evans (Chairman), Councillors D Alexander, P Beck, Mrs D Denston, D Evans, A Forbes, P Little, Mrs E Tickell, R Veitch and N. Wren.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Baverstock-Jones, Chief Officer, Sarah Guy, Senior Administrator (Minute Taker).

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: There was one member of the public and County Councillor Mrs Marge Harvey in attendance.

HPC 217/16/17 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Burridge, Dr C Jacobs and I Weeks.

No apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ms J Murray and Cllr R Sowden.

HPC 218/16/17 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

HPC 219/16/17 **TO RECEIVE A WRITTEN UPDATE FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS M HARVEY REGARDING COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

A report by County Councillor Mrs M Harvey was circulated (as attached). A query was raised by Cllr D Evans regarding paragraph 4 of the report. He asked if HCC had a Policy to force Parish and Town Councils to put money into their precept, to contribute to County related matters within their area to help get them done sooner.

County Cllr Marge Harvey said that she wasn't aware of any policy pertaining to that but said she was suggesting that if certain projects, traffic calming etc. were important to a Parish, that funds being put into their precept could help get a task done sooner.

It was suggested that HPC direct the question to HCC and copy to County Cllr Marge Harvey.

The Chairman asked for clarification regarding the feasibility for a crossing at Blendworth. County Cllr Marge Harvey said that once the doctor's surgery had been built, it would trigger the need for a feasibility study.

HPC 220/16/17 **TO RECEIVE A WRITTEN UPDATE FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REGARDING DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

A report by District Cllr D Evans was circulated and noted by Members.

HPC 221/16/17 **TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMANS REMARKS**

The Chairman said there were no comments to be made.

HPC 222/16/17 **PUBLIC SESSION**

There were no questions in the public session.

HPC 223/16/17 **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2016**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 November 2016 be duly signed as a true record of the meeting.

HPC 224/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE ORDERS FOR PAYMENT (LIST 9 ATTACHED)**

The Orders for Payment (List 9 attached) was circulated and it was **RESOLVED** that it be approved and duly signed.

A query was raised under the December 2016 BACS payments regarding the Connected IT payment for the HP 400Desktop Intel i5 Processor. The Chief Officer confirmed that this was a replacement PC for the laptop currently being used in the Countryside Team office.

Cllr D Evans queried why there were 3 small petty cash items showing on the orders for payment. The Chief Officer said she would direct this question to the RFO.

HPC 225/16/17 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE TAX BASE FIGURES FOR THE BUDGET 2017/2018**

A Report by the RFO was circulated and duly noted.

HPC 226/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AND AGREE THE BUDGET 2017/2018 AND TO SET THE PRECEPT**

It was **RESOLVED** that the draft budget for 2017/18 be approved with the Precept being set at Band D (£72.04).

HPC 227/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE TRANSFER IN RESPECT OF LAND AT WAGTAIL ROAD**

The Chairman explained that the land in question related to some land which the developer had failed to hand over. She said that HPC had considered which parcels of land they wished to take and that two Councillors signatures were required, in order for the document to be signed and sealed.

HPC 228/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE IN RESPECT OF THE COSTINGS FOR: SUMMER FAIR, HORNDEAN BLOOM AND THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE VILLAGE**

Costings for a Summer Fair were circulated.

The Chief Officer explained that a leaflet drop to local businesses and shops had taken place, requesting an expression of interest regarding Horndean in Bloom, however, she said that only one expression of interest had been received.

Maintenance of the village square in Horndean was discussed and Members put forward that they were not happy with the lack of weeding, sweeping and general upkeep of the village. The Chief Officer said she had made extensive enquiries with EHDC regarding additional funding, however, she said she was yet to receive a reply. She said that perhaps the Parish Council would need to provide funding in its entirety since no reply had been received but said that it was a matter for Council. The Chairman said she felt that enquiries should be pursued and suggested that she take it on and chase to get a suitable answer.

Rebecca from EHDC was in attendance at the meeting and informed Members that she was in the process of organising a South of Butser Event for Horndean, Clanfield and Rowlands Castle.

It was suggested that a Summer Fair be looked into by HPC, with the view to getting a working party together.

HPC 229/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE IN RESPECT OF THE SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE**

The Chairman said that she had been working to get some volunteers together and said that Cllr Peter Little would be the liaison between the group and HPC. A named PCSO will liaise between the group and the Police. She said they had the support from the Sgt and was aiming to meet in the New Year with a view to being up and running in the spring.

HPC 230/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER A WRITTEN REQUEST TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS**

An application by four Members of the Council was circulated, asking for an amendment to be made to Standing Orders, whereby an item be added as follows "No person shall be eligible to stand for re-election to the position of Chairman of the Council for more than two consecutive years".

A discussion took place and concerns were raised regarding a possibility of HPC ending up with no-one else willing to take over as Chairman or there being no one else capable of taking over.

A suggestion was made for the voting to be done by way of a secret ballot. The Chief Officer said that all ballots must be open unless specified in standing orders.

The Chairman asked for a vote to be taken and the following results were counted.

For: 2
Against: 5
Abstaining: 3

It was **RESOLVED** that no amendments be made to standing orders.

HPC 231/16/17 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE IN RESPECT OF FOOTPATH 26A**

A report was circulated and duly noted.

HPC 232/16/17 **TO RECEIVE A WRITTEN UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

A report by the Chief Officer was circulated. Members congratulated the Chief Officer on completion of the IOSH Managing Safely Course.

HPC 233/16/17 **TO NOTE THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL BEING THE 16 JANUARY 2017**

Noted.

HPC 234/16/17 **TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS, IN THE VIEW THAT PUBLICITY WOULD PREJUDICE THE PUBLIC INTEREST BY REASON OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS OR ARISING OUT OF THE BUSINESS ABOUT TO BE TRANSACTED.**

It was **RESOLVED** that the public and press be excluded for the confidential part of the meeting. The public part of the meeting closed at 8:30pm.

HPC 235/16/17 **TO APPROVE THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 21 NOVEMBER 2016**

It was **RESOLVED** that the confidential minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 November 2016 be duly signed as a true record of the meeting.

HPC 236/16/17 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON HEALTH AND SAFETY**

A report by the Chief Officer was circulated.

A discussion took place regarding a sign being erected on the fence at Jubilee Field.

The Chief Officer informed Members that a claim had been submitted in relation to the incident that occurred at the Remembrance day Service, whereby a piece of equipment, namely a speaker toppled over and collided with a female spectator, causing a laceration to her head requiring stitches at A&E.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this agenda item be put into the public domain and that a sign be devised and ordered informing the public that "no admission allowed" past the safety fencing at Jubilee Field.

The meeting closed at 8:40pm.

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REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS M. HARVEY.

Quite a lot is happening around Horndean at the moment.

The change of speed on Havant Road is due to happen in the very near future with the road markings and reminders being put in place.

As above, the road from Clanfield to Lovedean is also due to take place, but from a no speed limit road to 40mph, which we hope will slow the traffic going in to Lovedean Lane.

I was asked to get a crossing on Havant Road from the flats at the Gales development to the shop and hoped for doctors surgery and that is going to be assessed again very soon.
One of the problems there has been is that the money from the developer is only triggered by the shop and doctors surgery being open and at the moment that is not happening. There is only £20,000 from the developer which, I am told, will not be enough to get a pelican crossing, but still not enough to pay for a modest crossing, as in other places on the Havant Road.

The problem with all of these schemes is that there just isn't the money to pay for these things, but I am told that if the parishes put money in to their precept to help pay for the things that they want in their area, then it will help get them done sooner.

I have had emails from a few people in Horndean about the state of their roads and have visited and asked the officers to rate them. This is done to decide whether the road is satisfactory or needs attention and then put on the list to be done in the future, but with the problem with money and the fact that there is only so much to go around 78 Councillors areas it may take some time before it is done.

I do realise that this can cause a lot of problems for people, but I can only do so much and I do put the roads forward and hope that it will be our turn soon.

All is not gloom and doom but there isn't the money available to do everything and that is why the traffic calming is now only done with accident records and safety records deciding which will be calmed and I note that you have speed limit reminders on your agenda and after meeting residents in Lovedean last week. I understand that you have some volunteers to help with this available and as I have said before, I am happy to contribute to these from my devolved budget and with maybe some councillors at District level helping, then perhaps this will happen in the New year. If the Council would like to take up this offer, then please apply very soon, as my budget closes at the end of January and there is money available at the moment.

I would like to finish by wishing you all a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.
Marge