

POYNINGS PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council
Mr Colin Warburton

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Minutes of the meeting of Poynings Parish Council held in the Village Hall on
Tuesday 7th November 2017 at 7.00pm

Present: Mr Mike Airey Chair
Ms Sheila Marshall
Mr Matthew Cutress

Mr Colin Warburton - Clerk to the Council

Joy Dennis - County Councillor
Colin Trumble - District Councillor

3 members of the public attended

1. Apologies

Ms Jan Nichols - Other commitments

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated, were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising

SM - Poynings volunteers now set up and has 22 members which is 10% of adult population. It has amalgamated with the Family group. Bank account has been set up and insurance needs to be looked at.

4. MSDC

Colin Trumble

SDNP consultation is out and has been challenged by MSDC

There are 36 Traveller sites proposed for Mid Sussex.

Most housing proposals affect the main towns and not Poynings.

Dwellings furthest from the BT box are receiving bad internet speeds.

WSDC

Joy Dennis

Councillors welcomed JD and she introduced herself.

WSDC is looking at budget which is difficult as a large older population.

3 of the 4 speed devices have been stolen. Highways to discuss with manufacturer a way of making them more secure. They do not take vehicle registration numbers.

Broadband in outer parts of village have poor broadband. CW to send out survey.

SM asked about grants for children's play areas. More can be applied for. MA and SM to meet with WSCC. SM is meeting Mr Hayler at the end of the month.

Tip opening hours are changing. See MSDC website

5. Public participation

Problems with parking in Mill Close, people have more than one vehicle now and not enough room. This was looked at by the council many years ago but the cost of removing the banks outweighed the advantage of 2 extra spaces.

6. Expenditure

The following amounts have been paid for September and October 2017

Date	Payee	Amount
05-09-17	M Brennan- Cemetery mowing	£390.00
05-09-17	Clerks Wages – July 2017 - Aug 2017	£500.00
05-09-17	Landbuild – Op Watershed	£42,506.40
05-09-17	SE Water	£22.77

TOTAL £43,419.17

Receipts for September and October 2017

Date	Payee	Amount
15-09-17	Cutress – Bench Donation	£572.49
29-09-17	MSDC – Precept and Graveyard	£2,902.00

TOTAL £3,474.49

7. Planning Applications

Golf Farm - Devils Dyke Remodel large man-made depression using imported inert soils. MSDC Planning has requested information from New England, Campaign for Rural England etc and asked for a geological survey. These are not planning issues so PPC felt that we are not qualified to comment.

8. Standing Orders

It was felt that although a simpler version might be more "user friendly" the council wanted to work the same way as other councils. The Standing Orders were adopted unanimously.

9. Operation Watershed

All work has now been completed and more funds will be applied for.

10. Bus shelter at Roundabout

The hedge is restricting the view towards Henfield. CW to approach Landowner.

11. SID - Speed monitoring

The SID device has been stolen and it is not known when it will be replaced.

12. Co-Opt councillor

JD has resigned and there is a vacancy. CW to put out notice.

13. Roundabout

CW to approach Toby for a quote to maintain roundabout now that Green Lotus Gardens have left the village.

14. Fireworks night

1,200 clicked in to the field this year. £2,840 collected. £2,700 paid for fireworks display. Plus £50 was collected by SM from food van. 12 people from the volunteer group did an excellent job on the traffic control. It was agreed that it would go ahead next year if the land owners want to.

15. Asset register

A proposed Asset register had been circulated and was agreed.

After consultation with MSDC, MC and Nicki Cutress, it has confirmed that we are responsible for the maintenance of the Cemetery and Graveyard. MSDC have done repairs in the past but do not have to. CW to see if MSDC will repair the footpath from the Steps to the front of the Church..

16. Items for next months agenda

Insurance and budget

17. Dates of next meetings in 2018

January 9th

March 6th

May 8th including Annual Parish Meeting

July 3rd

September 4th

November 6th

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.35pm