

# 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 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.00pm

Present: Sandra Slinger Chair  
Ms Sheila Marshall  
Nigel Evans

Mr Colin Warburton - Clerk to the Council  
Colin Trumble - District Councillor  
Alison Bennett - District Councillor  
Joy Dennis - County Councillor

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8 members of the public attended

## 1 Apologies

None

## 2 Matters Arising

Funding sources - Colin Trumble will help with this if anyone needs it.

## 3 Feedback from Chairman's Training

- a. SS felt it would be a good idea to have tea and biscuits at PC meeting to encourage attendance. This was agreed. NE suggested that the PC or a sponsor should provide alcohol as well. The clerk will enquire as to whether this is allowed.
- b. SS reported that other councils sometimes have problems with councillors "bad mouthing" other councillors to the public, thus undermining the authority of the council. She hopes that this does not happen with this council.
- c. SS recommended that the council invests in a small tent and PC banner so that the public can see what events the council is involved and so that they can approach whoever is manning it. This was agreed, the clerk to obtain prices.
- d. Code of conduct to be reviewed at the next meeting.

## 4 Public Participation

A Cook commented that there is not a planning application in from Mayfields. MSDC and WSCC councillors present all agreed that there were against the proposal.

C. Airey says that footpaths aren't used to the bus stop as they are muddy in the winter and can't see that this will change. SS suggested lockers in the bus stop to put muddy boots in when catching a bus.

### WSCC - Joy Dennis

JD said that there have been some Interparish Meeting about Mayfields and suggested that we have a representative attend. SM said that she has attended them in the past.

JD to give the Clerk contact details.

JD to talk to traffic group if requested.

JD to give the Clerk the contact details of someone in Albourne who can install the posts for the SID.

Middle car park up the Dyke to close after holidays for a deep clean.

Stonepound Crossroads to close for 6 weeks in the holidays.

**MSDC Colin Trumble**

Mayfield. MSDC have allocated land for required housing numbers and do not need any extra. Will arrange meeting with other villages if required.

**MSDC. Alison Bennett.**

Alison introduced herself as the new MSDC councillor.

The B Hill regeneration scheme has been passed

## 5 Expenditure

The following amounts have been paid for April 2019 and May 2019

Date	Payee	Amount
08-04-19	MSDC - Dog bin Maintenance	£165.42
08-04-19	DM Payroll Services	£70.50
08-04-19	Castle Water (Cemetery)	£30.12
08-04-19	WSALCC and NALC Annual subscription	£88.72
08-04-19	M Brennan. Cemetery & Church. 23	£90.00
07-05-19	Clerks Wages - April - May 2019	£500.00
07-05-19	M Brennan. Cemetery & Church. 24-25-26	£270.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,214.76</b>

Receipts for April 2019 and May 2019

Date	Payee	Amount
30-04-2019	MSDC - 6-month precept and Burial	£2,976.00
01-05-2019	HRMC - VAT refund	£3,851.34
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6,827.34</b>

## 6 Planning Applications

a. Shepherds Hey The Street Poynings Brighton West Sussex BN45 7AQ  
Ground floor extension, loft conversion and alterations. SDNP/19/02906/PRE

**Pre-application - Information only**

b. Downmere Poynings Road Poynings BN45 7AG

New internal configuration/layout of spaces. New glazing layout and specification throughout including new oak frame courtyard glazing design. Revised entrance design to south elevation with oak frame pitched roof overhang. Increase width of proposed extension. Inclusion of conservation style rooflights to main roof. Relocation off chimney. Proposed woodburner flue. Relocation of 2 dormers to suit internal layout. SDNP/19/02968/NMA

It was agreed to **object** to some aspects of the revised application:

1. The large windows on the road and footpath and above doors
2. Dark skies
3. Skylights

Clerk to draft objection

c. West End Cottage The Street Poynings Brighton West Sussex BN45 7AQ. Reduce tree size. Decision - passed

## 7 Winter plan

SS to contact M Lee to see if there are adequate salt stocks.

## 8 Traffic/footpath group

Traffic. SM was approached by villagers as they were concerned about the traffic speeds in the village with the summer holidays approaching so set up a group as a sub group of the volunteer group. Asked JD about the best way to set it up. JD advised

that they are better placed to obtain a grant if it is not part of the PC as long as the PC supports it and there is a member of the PC on it. Different people have been allocated different tasks. There will be new separate group to organise speed "pinging", part of "Speed Watch"

NE was disappointed the group wasn't advertised to the rest of the village. SM agreed to send out an email via Poynings.net inviting anyone else to join.

**Footpaths.** NE is to set up a footpath group and will advertise via Poynings.net and Facebook.

**9 Village sign post**

The application for a grant to replace the sign post was unsuccessful, not because it didn't have merit, but they ran out of money.

The clerk suggested that the PC applies for a grant via another channel and if this is unsuccessful the PC pays for it (about £600-£700) this was agreed. Volunteers would still be needed to install it.

**10 Declaring a climate emergency**

This Parish Council declares a 'Climate Emergency' and acknowledges the seriousness of the situation. The council's decisions will always take into account the climate emergency.

We support the pledge of West Sussex County Council to attempt to become carbon neutral by 2030.

**11 Cemetery Gates**

The gates are getting difficult to open, suggest a quote to see if the pillar needs rebuilding. Agreed, clerk to obtain

**12 Co-Opting new councillors**

The clerk read out a report, that had been circulated to the councillors, laying out the procedure that had been taken to recommend two councillors to be co-opted onto the council.

The clerk recommended that Neville Searle and William Selby are co-opted onto Poynings Parish Council and Michael Crowther and Leane Edmonds are to act as reserve councillors in the event of a future vacancy. This was agreed unanimously.

**13 Risk register**

It was agreed that the Risk register, which had been circulated to all councillors, was still valid and was duly signed by the chair and clerk.

**14 Items for next month's Agenda.**

Footpaths, and Traffic update

**15 Dates of next meeting**

September 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30pm

The following amounts have been paid for June 2019 and July 2019

Date	Payee	Amount
09-07-19	Clerk wages May - June 2019	£500.00
09-07-19	Martin Brennan. Cemetery & Church 37-28-29	£430.00
09-07-19	Chairman's annual allowance	£155.00
09-07-19	Chair training and networking	£228.00
09-07-19	Zurich Insurance	£435.26
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,748.26</b>

Receipts for June 2019 and July 2019

Date	Payee	Amount
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£00.00</b>

*Sandra Slup*

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