

# POYNINGS PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council  
Mr Colin Warburton

Minutes of the meeting of Poynings Parish Council held in the Village Hall on  
Wednesday January 11th 2023 at 7.00pm

Present: John Digby Chairman  
Michael Crowther Vice Chairman  
Neville Searle

Colin Warburton - Clerk to the Council

4 members of the public attended.

## 1. Apologies

Fiona Weir. Other commitments. Alison Bennet, Colin Trumble, Rodney Jackson. MSDC Meeting. Joy Dennis - Other Meeting.

## 2. Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated, were agreed. Proposed by M C and seconded by NS. They were duly signed by the chairman.

## 3. Matters arising

None

## 4. MSDC and WSCC

None

## 5. Public Participation

Keith F. asked if there was any update on the road by the Ginger Fox. JD advised that after a meeting with the Clerk and Richard Speller it is unlikely that anything will be done. It would be too expensive to buy the surrounding land and the reported accidents are usually caused by poor driving according to Police reports.

Malcolm J advised that he draft the information to go on an "information sign" at Cora's Walk that the council agreed would be a good idea at a previous meeting.

## 6. Expenditure for October 2022 and November 2022

The following amounts have been paid for October 2022 and November 2022

Date	Payee	Amount
10/09/22	M Brennan - Grass cutting - Cemetery etc	£270.00
10/09/22	HMRC	£93.20
10/09/22	Castle Water (Cemetery)	£31.23
10/09/22	Clerk Wages Sept - Oct 2022	£740.34

TOTAL £1,134.77

Receipts for October 2022 and November 2022

Date	Payee	Amount
		TOTAL £0

This was unanimously agreed.

## **7. Planning Applications**

a. Two-storey infill extension and associated roof alterations | Rushfield Paddock Henfield Road Poynings BN45 7AY

After discussion, it was agreed that as the work could not be seen from the Dyke and does not appear to have any planning issues, no comment was needed.

b. Installation of 30 solar panels on ground mounted consoles | Rushfield Paddock Henfield Road Poynings BN45 7AY

DECISION - REFUSED

c. Creation of a rooftop terrace, and erection of an external staircase for access | Rushfield Paddock Henfield Road Poynings BN45 7AY

DECISION - PASSED

d. Retrospective - Removal of existing half glazed lean to the west elevation and the construction of single storey timber framed annex. Construction of swimming pool in rear garden. 16 Mill Close Poynings BN45 7AF

DECISION - PASSED

## **8. Jubilee Sign – Permanent placement**

JD advised that the village hall trust have agreed to allow the Jubilee sign to be permanently fitted in the village Hall. Malcolm J to quote for a permanent fixture and a removable fixture.

## **9. Dyke road Closure – Snow**

The clerk advised the council that the recent road closure over the Dyke placed by the Police for safety reasons. Not by WSCC.

## **10. Watershed**

A draft application for "Operation Watershed" work (Church to School), was shown to the council by the clerk which has been produced by highways. It was proposed by NS and seconded by MC that the application is submitted. It was unanimously agreed to do this.

## **11. Footpath**

A draft application for footpath work (Church to School) was shown to the council by the clerk which has been produced by highways. It was proposed by MC and seconded by NS that the application is submitted. It was unanimously agreed to do this.

## **12. Asset register, Standing orders, Code of Conduct, Risk assessment. Financial Risk assessment. Updates**

After discussion it was proposed by NS and seconded by JD that the Asset register, Standing orders, Code of Conduct, Risk assessment and Financial Risk assessment are adopted by the council. It was unanimously agreed to do this, and they were duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

## **13. Village Gates**

JD distributed photographs of the positions of the proposed village gates which had been approved by highways, hopefully to be funded by donation. Clerk to investigate costs etc. It is hoped to have Oak gates but Highways aren't keen as they have to break on impact.

## **14. Elections 2023**

Local Government Elections are on the 4 May 2023, If more than 5 people apply to be on Poynings Parish Council there will be a cost of about £1,000, if 5 or less there will not be a



Parish Council election and applicants will automatically be Councillors. More information at the next meeting.

**15. Annual Parish Meeting**

The Clerk requested that the councillors think of a speaker for the Annual Parish meeting. Suggestions are: Local community Police officer, Campaign for Rural England. National Trust.

**16. Budget/Precept 2023-2024**

Proposed budget had been circulated to councillors. As the number of residents has reduced this year, even though the suggested increase is 10% which is less than inflation (to balance projected income and expenditure), the actual increase to Residents would be 10.70% which would be 13p a week, £6.76 pa.

The precept was proposed by JD and seconded by MC and was agreed unanimously.

**17. FTTP Broadband**

The clerk advised that the Fibre to the premises broadband, that was applied for by the PC, rollout has now started.

**18. Village Hall**

The clerk advised that the Platinum Jubilee grant can only be applied for by the Freeholder of the Village Hall. JD to approach the village hall trust and the Clerk is to look at lottery funding. MC passed out more detailed drawings of the possible development.

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

None

**20. Date of next month's Meeting**

Wednesday March 8th

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15pm



6/3/23

**The following amounts have been paid for December 2022 and January 2023**

Date	Payee	Amount
13/01/23	Clerk Wages Nov - Dec 2022	£740.34
19/01/23	HMRC	£93.00
27/01/23	Information Commissioner (GDPR)	£40.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£873.34</b>

**Receipts for December 2022 and January 2023**

Date	Payee	Amount
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0</b>



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