Fair Oak and Horton Heath Parish Council

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Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 19 December 2016 at 8.00 pm in the Fair Oak Village Hall, Shorts Road, Fair Oak

Those Present: Mr P Barrett, Mr A Cossey, Mrs H Douglas (Chairman), Mr J Goss, Mr P Harwood, Mrs D Lusmore, Mr H McGuinness, Mr T Mignot, Mr J Noel, Mr P Spearey.

Apologies: Mr C Bird, Mr R Rushton, Mr D Scott, Mrs M Shephard, Mr J Sorley,

In attendance: Mrs L Greenslade, Deputy Clerk, Mrs J Cahill, RFO, Mr C Burchett, Ranger.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mrs Douglas welcomed newly elected Borough Councillor Nick Couldrey.

156 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION

None received.

157 MINUTES

Mr Cossey proposed to approve the Extraordinary Full Council minutes of 14 November 2016, as a true and accurate record, Mr Goss seconded and all voted in favour.

158 MATTERS ARISING

Accounting and Booking System

Mr Noel asked if the package had been purchased. The RFO advised it would be purchased in February when the most up to date system was being launched.

159 PLANNING & HIGHWAYS

Members voted in favour of approving the minutes of the Planning & Highways meeting dated 14 November 2016, proposed by Mrs Douglas and seconded by Mr Goss.

160 MATTERS ARISING

Revisions to the Hampshire Statement of Community Involvement consultation

The Deputy Clerk reported that details of the consultation had been sent round to members but she had not received any response, therefore, the consultation was not completed.

O/16/79354 - Fir Tree Farm

The Deputy Clerk advised that a response from Andy Grandfield to Members' questions had been received and circulated.

161 PARISH OFFICE

Mr Noel proposed to approve the minutes of the Parish Office Committee meeting of 21 November, Mr Spearey seconded and all voted in favour. There were no matters arising.

162 FINANCE & STAFFING

The minutes of the Finance & Staffing meeting dated 5 December were approved, proposed by Mr Cossey and seconded by Mr Goss. There were no matters arising.

163 LEISURE & PROPERTIES

Mr Cossey proposed to approve the minutes of the Leisure & Properties meeting dated 5 December 2015, Mr Goss seconded and all voted in favour.

164 MATTERS ARISING

Allotments – Mrs Douglas warned she had heard a rumour that Drew Smith had been approached by the Allotment Association to divert a drain into the allotments at Knowle Park. The Ranger was asked to investigate.

Tennis Courts – the Deputy Clerk reported that classes would start from Thursday 19 January.

165 CORRESPONDENSE

- One Community November and December issue of Nexus, the monthly newsletter of the Hampshire Councils for Voluntary Service Network. Noted.
- **167** Street Pastors weekly diaries 18/11/16, 25/11/16, 9/12/16. Noted.
- 168 Mims Davies Constituency Name Alteration. Noted.
- 169 HALC invitation to a Board Awayday and Open Forum on 24 January at South Wonston. Noted.
- 170 EBC letter from Department for Communities and Local Government re Open Water Safety. Noted.
- 171 Notice of 2016 Poppy Appeal collection for the Parish Office at £26.60. Noted.
- 172 Thank you for support and help at the Fair Oak Widows Christmas party. Noted.
- 173 Notes of Village Centre Working Group. Noted.
- 174 Southern Water launch of Southern Water 2016/17 interim report and Discover Water scheme. Noted
- 175 Copy letter to residents from Safer Neighbourhoods Team in relation to the

- recent Police and Community Together survey. Noted.
- 176 The Hampshire Playing Fields Association notice of 90th Annual General meeting. Noted.
- 177 Office of Mims Davies copy correspondence relating to Sandy Lane Bus Shelter. Noted.
- **178** HALC Councillor Commission Interim Report. Noted.
- 179 Notice of Police and Community Together meeting 23 November. Noted.
- **180** Latham Road resident seating in the Village. Noted.
- 181 Poppy Press Live on Autumn 2016 newsletter. Noted.
- **182** Rund Partnership Services schedule of payments. Noted.
- 183 EBC guidance regarding Religion and Belief law. Noted.
- **184** NALC no extension of referendum principles. Noted.
- 185 Open Spaces Society renewal invitation. Mr Cossey proposed, Mr Goss seconded and all voted in favour of renewing for a further year.
- **186** Community Speedwatch update. Noted.
- **187** EBC Healthy Communities e-newsletter. Noted.
- 188 South Downs National Park local plan newsletter issue 6 Dec 2016. Noted.
- 189 SLCC Your News Bulletin 16/12/16. Noted.
- 190 EBC Enews 16/12/16. Noted
- 191 NALC bulletin on national developments and meetings 16/12/16. Noted.
- 192 Eastleigh Citizens Advise Annual Report 2015/16. Noted.

193 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Mr Mignot replied to the Parish's request for EBC to transfer the element of public art from the Crowdhill Green site to the Parish Council. He advised that EBC agreed in principle and that the money would be held until the Parish had invoiced the Borough. More information would be available in January but he thought a negotiable charge of £3,000 would be levied by the Borough for their work to date. He said there were lots going on at the Borough and a recent staffing restructuring had taken place.

Mr Spearey asked about the recent Local Plan meeting. He was concerned that the Parish would be told of developments rather than consulted. Mr Mignot assured Members that the Parish Council would be involved.

194 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

None received.

195 OUTSIDE BODIES – FAIR OAK VILLAGE HALL

Mr McGuinness reported on the activities of the Village Hall. Talks were continuing for an extension to accommodate a dance studio. Quiz nights, old time musical and the pantomime continued to bring in funds. He said work was ongoing on the website.

196 MEETING DATES

Members noted meeting dates set for 2017.

197 Y ZONE

Mr Spearey proposed to renew the management agreement for the BIFOHH Youth Project (Y Zone) for a further 5 year period, subject to the existing partners agreeing. Mr Cossey seconded and all voted in favour

198 PRECEPT

Mrs Douglas proposed to set the Precept for 2017/18 at £345,247.50 representing a £94.51 charge on a Band D property, to agree to request that Eastleigh Borough Council grant the sum by voluntary arrangement of £13,341.50, making a final budget for the year of £358,589.00. Mr Cossey seconded and all voted in favour.

199 WHITE TREE FARM

Members discussed the recommendation from Rund Partnership to purchase a Premier Guarantee which is a specialist insurance to cover the Parish Office should the builder go out of business. This item had not been budgeted for. One quote had been received at a cost of £4,500.

Mr Scott and Mr Rushton had advised previously that they thought the building should be covered under the Defective Premises Act for the first 12 years.

- (1) Mr Spearey proposed to purchase a guarantee at no more than £4,500 funded from general reserves, Mr Noel seconded.
- (2) Mr Barrett proposed further investigations be made, establishing if there is a national cover similar to that of the NHBC. He also requested that Bargate be asked what their policies were in such an event. Mr Goss seconded. Six voted in favour, four against.

Mr Cossey proposed that if there were no policies in place, the Council proceed with the purchase of the insurance. Mr Goss seconded and the majority voted in favour.

It was agreed to investigate further and Mrs Douglas suggested seeking more clarification from Mr Scott.

200 CROWDHILL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Mr Mignot, Mr Cossey, Mrs Douglas and Mr Goss volunteered to sit on a working part for the new community centre at Crowdhill Green to discuss

internal specification. Mrs Douglas suggested asking Mr Rushton due to his knowledge of the building trade. The first meeting will take place on Tuesday 24 January 2017 at 6.00 pm in the Grace Mears Room and prospective users had been invited. The Deputy Clerk asked for suggestions of a name for the building and advised that a notification would be put in the next newsletter asking for ideas.

201 FINANCE REPORT

The RFO tabled the monthly statement of account. She highlighted the major spends for the month which included £2,410.80 for Christmas motifs and the £2,500.00 deposit for windows at Horton Heath

Mr Cossey proposed to approve the Finance Report dated 19 December 2016, Mr Goss seconded and all voted in favour. Members noted cheque signing and BACS payments.

This was all the business and the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.	
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