



Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council

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**Minutes of the FULL COUNCIL meeting
held on Monday 16 December 2019 at 7.00 pm
at 2 Knowle Park Lane, Fair Oak**

P – present, Ab – absent, Ap – apologies.

Ap	Cllr Abbott	P	Cllr Douglas	Ap	Cllr Mignot
Ap	Cllr Anderson	P	Cllr Forfar	P	Cllr Scott
Ap	Cllr Barrett	P	Cllr Higby	P	Cllr Spearey
Ap	Cllr Bird		Vacancy	P	Cllr Tennent
P	Cllr Couldrey	P	Cllr McGuinness	Ab	Cllr Warrillow

Officers in attendance: Ms M Stephens, Clerk & Mrs L Greenslade Deputy Clerk, Mrs J Cahill, RFO.

PUBLIC SESSION

Two residents expressed grateful thanks to the Parish Council for its dedication in serving the Parish over the year.

One member of the public addressed the Council on the Burnetts Lane development, including the water running off the road and the many pot holes. The Chairman asked Cllr Tennant to respond being the County Councillor representative and responsible for roads. The resident also complained about the treatment he had been given when contacting the Borough Council. Cllr Couldrey, EBC representative, offered to investigate this complaint.

72 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

73 MINUTES OF MEETINGS (PAPER A)

RESOLVED:

- a) That the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 18 November 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record;
- b) That the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 25 November and 9 December 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record; and
- c) That the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 18 November 2019 be noted.

74 ONE HORTON UPDATE

Members received a verbal report from Eastleigh Borough Councillor, Nick Couldrey on progress at the One Horton development (Appendix 1).

75 REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER (REPORT B)

Members considered the report of the Responsible Financial Officer.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the contents of the report be noted; and

b) That the cheque and BACS payments be authorised.

76 ANNUAL BUDGET 2020/21 (REPORT C)

The Council considered the Annual Budget 2020/21. This would provide a balanced budget and maintain a 0% increase in the current precept which stood at £103.11 per Band D property.

The Clerk advised of an amendment to the budget, to allow for the increased cost of the music licenses at Horton Heath and Woodlands Community Centre, equating to an extra cost of £3,486.29. Therefore, to balance the budget to the agreed figure, the amount had been deducted from the Meadowsweet Way play area pot, reducing this figure to £26,650.

RESOLVED

That the Annual Budget 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 1 to the Report C, be approved, subject to the amendments that the Meadowsweet Way code be reduced to £26,450 with £3,486.29 being coded to Horton Heath and Woodlands Community Centres to cover increase in music licence fee.

77 CEMETERY ROAD

Wyvern College had recently carried out a survey on the access and egress of their site and intended restricting access in order to address security and safeguarding issues. This would impact on the Council owned Cemetery Road with increased footfall during school drop off and pick up times. Improvements to the road and lighting might be needed.

Preliminary assessments undertaken by the Council's Operations Manager had indicated that an options appraisal report would be submitted in due course.

RESOLVED

That the update be noted.

78 CONDITION SURVEY – HORTON HEATH COMMUNITY CENTRE/LAPSTONE PAVILION

RESOLVED

That the matter be deferred, pending receipt of the condition surveys.

79 FORWARD PLAN (REPORT D)

RESOLVED:

That the Forward Plan as set out in Report D, be approved.

80 OUTSIDE BODIES – FAIR OAK SQUASH CLUB

Cllr Douglas reported on the Fair Oak Squash Club including the club's history and improvement plans for the future.

saying the club was started in 1971 by a Dr Bond and whose wife is still President. The club was a private members club run by volunteers, not for profit, and had opened its doors to youngsters on a Saturday morning for a £30 annual fee. It also offered the facilities to anyone who was unable to afford the fee, free of charge. The Club boasts two Nationally ranked players.

81 BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Tennent, County Councillor gave a detailed report attached as Appendix to these minutes.

Cllr Couldrey, Borough Councillor advised of the Borough's initiative to create "tree paths" connecting the Parishes, progress of which would be submitted to the Parish Council as and when appropriate.

82 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS

RESOLVED

That under Section 1(2) of the public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960, the public and the Press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information which would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of its confidential nature (commercial & staffing matters).

83 SCOUT HUT, SHORTS ROAD

The Clerk reported on the latest situation regarding the Scout Hut. A response had been received from the Scouts on 19 November following advice from their valuer, rejecting the Council's final offer. They had asked if the Council would reconsider its offer and if not the case, would submit their valuer's report to the Charity Commission.

After discussion, it was:-

RESOLVED

That the Parish Council would not reconsider its offer and would wait for the outcome of the Charity Commission's findings.

This was all the business and the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Signed..... Chairman