

PLAYDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD 2nd OCTOBER 2014 AT 19:30 AT THE PLAYDEN W.I. HALL

DRAFT MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES:

PCSO Bevan (DB)

2. ATTENDEES:

Cty Cllr Glazier (KG); Dist Cllrs Osborne (PO) & Ramus (NR); Cllrs Blackham (AB), Lenihan (TL), Osborne (PO) & Stone (DGS)
Messrs. Maxfield (CM) Ross (WR) & Dickenson (AD) & Mrs Ramus (JR)

3. PCSO REPORT:

There was no report

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none

5. PUBLIC SESSION:

WR questioned the the wisdom of mending potholes, rather than re-surfacing and adversely commented on the condition of local signage. KG responded by explaining that the Highway Stewards working with the road programme were attending to matters as best they could, however not a lot more can be achieved in view of current budgetry restraints.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:

The invitation sent by the Clerk to ex-Councillor Dearden had elicited no response whatsoever. The Clerk was directed to write and point out that we need to be in possession of knowledge about the current situation. Failing any response once again we shall try to obtain the information from the PCSO.

Action Clerk

7. VISITING COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

KG advised that the Bus consultation had received an encouraging number of responses and decision on future subsidies will be made in December. He was pleased to report that Stagecoach had agreed to take over subsidising some of the routes. He reported that neither Tesco or Sainsbury's will be establishing a supermarket in Rye and that they will now be jointly marketing the site. He also reported that ESCC are investing £50 million on roads in a planned way over the next 3 years and people should continue to report pot holes or any other defect with roads

NR reported that RDC's Local Plan had passed a further stage in its process (which includes the construction of 5,700 houses – somewhat less than was originally required by H M Government). He reported there still some glitches in the Waste Collection programme. There will be some modest salary increments for RDC personnel.

PO

8. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF: 4th September 2014 having been proposed by TL & seconded by AB it was resolved they be adopted.

9. MATTERS ARISING:

Clerk reported that both footpath 12 and the Military Road sign have been reported to the appropriate authority.

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

It was agreed that the change of address details for the MP should be placed on the notice board.

11. PLANNING:

There were no applications

12. ACCOUNTS:

- a) It was resolved to pay Clerk's salary & expenses.
- b) Clerk reported that the external audit had been completed and advised members that next year's accounts will need to be finalised earlier than heretofore.

13. PARISH AFFAIRS:

- a) AB had carried out a full review of Parish signs & Finger Post signs: it was agreed to investigate cost implications of repairs/replacements.
- b) AONB - Extension to encompass the entire parish would be a long & laborious process, according to Natural England and would therefore prove impractical.
- c) Clerk's draft contract of employment was reviewed and agreed. AB to provide a fair copy for endorsement.

14. PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

AB has had meetings with Iden P C regarding the proposed Cycle Path and it was resolved to approach local businesses with a view to obtaining support for the preparation of a set of working drawings required for the alterations to Scots Float.

Action Clerk

15. ADDITIONAL ITEMS: To consider such other items as the Chairman; he also reported decides are urgent and due notice of which has been given to the Clerk on the day of the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:52 hours

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE W.I. HALL ON:

6th NOVEMBER 2014 in the WI Hall



Signed

Ray Harrington-Lowe, Parish Clerk