



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.00 P.M.
ON THURSDAY 19 JULY 2018
IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, VILLAGE WAY, CRANLEIGH

Councillors

Cllr E Townsend* (Chairman of the Council)
Cllr A Richardson* (Vice Chairman of the Council)
Cllr J Betts*
Cllr R Burbridge*
Cllr R Cole*
Cllr K Fernandes*
Cllr M Foryszewski
Cllr B Freeston*
Cllr S Jeacock*
Cllr D Nicholas*
Cllr R Tyler*

PRESENT*

ALSO PRESENT: Parish Clerk B Bell FSLCC, nine members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The prior commitment apology from Cllr M Foryszewski was AGREED.

2. GUEST SPEAKER: SEMUR-EN-AUXOIS 10th ANNIVERSARY OF TWINNING

Julia and Richard Brown attended the meeting to present a limited edition print and certificate to the Parish Council to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the twinning of Semur-En-Auxois with Cranleigh.

3. GUEST SPEAKER: CRANLEIGH VILLAGE HOSPITAL TRUST (CVHT)

Mr Robin Fawkner-Corbett Chairman of CVHT said the Trust was formed in 2001 to support the development of healthcare in Cranleigh which is free at the point of access. He outlined the history of the application: In 2004 the Trust obtained outline planning permission for a 14 bed hospital with healthcare facilities in Cranleigh after the loss of the community beds in the village hospital. In 2010 the Trust agreed a land swap with the Parish Council and spent £95,000 of Trust funds on the creation of the football pitch at the Bruce McKenzie Field. Four years ago the Trust funded a feasibility study working with the Clinical Commission Group, Royal Surrey Hospital, Surrey County Council and the League of Friends. The group agreed that outpatients and diagnostic facilities would remain at the village hospital and 20 community beds would be made available in an 80 bed care home on the Knowle Lane site. The Royal Surrey Hospital and Surrey County Council would have first call on the community beds, which will be allocated on need and association with the area. A 26 unit low cost accommodation block will be available to all care workers from Cranleigh and surrounding villages. Two years ago HC-One was selected as the chosen provider of the care home, as recommended by the Royal Surrey Hospital. There will be a public consultation in September before submission of the planning application for the care home in October, with the build anticipated January 2019 – February 2021. HC-One will fund the build of the care home including the community beds. The community bed wing of the care home will be called the Albert Napper Wing.

The accommodation block costing £3 million is being funded by a donation from a benefactor and will be managed by CVHT. Access will be via Snoxhall Fields to the accommodation block and from a roundabout on Knowle Lane to the care home. The freehold of the land will remain with CVHT forever, who will receive an income of £1 million for the 150 year lease of the land to HC-One.

4. PUBLIC SESSION

- A member of the public raised concern about the CVHT lease, land swap arrangement and allocation of community beds in the care home. The Chairman asked the member of the public to address their concerns in writing to the Council for a full reply.
- A member of the public said Waverley Borough Council had sought the opinion of legal counsel about the asbestos pipes and had determined there is not really a risk to health. The member of the public wished the Parish Council to pursue the matter further with DEFRA.

5. PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21 June 2018, having previously been circulated, were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Cllr E Townsend declared she is a Waverley Borough Councillor.
- Cllr K Fernandes declared she is a member of Cranleigh Civic Society.
- Cllr D Nicholas declared he is a member of Cranleigh Football Club but is not on the Management Committee.
- Cllr S Jeacock declared an interest in agenda items 3 and 15 as he is a former neighbour.

7. CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman's Report, previously circulated, was NOTED with the following additions:

- The Chairman thanked all Councillors for their support with the Neighbourhood Plan consultation event.
- Discussions continue for a Friday Project for young people based at the Leisure Centre.

8. CLERK'S REPORT

The Council NOTED the Clerk's report and asked for more details about the planning peer review.

9. REPORT FROM SURREY AND WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

No reports.

10. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

- The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 05 and 25 June 2018 were RECEIVED.
- The Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee meeting held on Thursday 07 June 2018 were RECEIVED.

11. OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council NOTED the following report:

- Cllr A Richardson said the recent Town and Parish Planning Forum presentation is awaited.

12. COUNCIL STRUCTURE

The Council AGREED the following nominations:

- Cllr A Richardson to the Town and Parish Planning Forum.
- Cllr B Freeston for Remembrance Sunday.

13. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. The expenditure list to 19 July 2018 circulated this evening and was AGREED by the Council and signed by the Chairman. Cllrs B Freeston and A Richardson will sign the accounts.
2. The bank reconciliation to 30 June 2018 was AGREED and signed by Cllr R Burbridge.
3. The cashbook reconciliation to 30 June 2018 was AGREED and signed by the Chairman.

14. CENTENARY GARDEN

- The Council NOTED the report from the Management Group circulated this afternoon.
- The Council AGREED additional expenditure for small plaques up to £200.
- The Council AGREED for bespoke bench carving up to a cost of £2,000.
- The Council AGREED for bespoke stone plaque carving up to a cost of £3,000.
- The Council AGREED to the purchase of a wrought iron entrance gate at a cost of £500.
- The Council discussed three quotations for fencing in private and confidential session due to commercial in confidence and AGREED to purchase fencing from AVS.
- The Council NOTED the cashbook and AGREED for Cllr B Freeston to meet and update the cashbook forecast.
- Cllr K Fernandes asked for thanks to Cllrs B Freeston and E Townsend to be recorded for their work on the garden.

15. CRANLEIGH VILLAGE HOSPITAL TRUST

The Council discussed this item in private and confidential session as it is commercial in confidence. The Council AGREED to form a Working Party of Cllrs K Fernandes and S Jeacock to undertake further work and report back to the September meeting of the Council.

16. SNOXHALL FIELDS CHARITABLE TRUST

The Clerk reported that she had met with the Council's accountant and discussed the operation of the Snoxhall Fields charity in detail. The Council AGREED to accept the accountant's advice to continue to budget and precept to maintain the recreation ground and to apply the income from the car park to the charitable trust to meet the charity's objectives.

17. ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk had met with an officer at Waverley Borough Council to discuss the Parish Council's nominations in more detail. It was AGREED to submit the nominations in stages and the Council AGREED to submit nominations for Rowleys, the Cranley Hotel, the Arts Centre and Fountain Square next and for an update to be given at the next meeting of the Council.

18. LETTER TO DEFRA ABOUT ASBESTOS PIPES IN CRANLEIGH

The Council heard concerns from a member of the public this evening about the risk to health from ingestion of asbestos fibres from water pipes in Cranleigh. The Council AGREED to write to DEFRA again and the response will be brought back to a future meeting of the Council.

19. SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL DRAFT VISION FOR 2030

The Council AGREED to submit individual responses.

20. WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL DRAFT ECONOMIC STRATEGY

The Council AGREED to contact Waverley Borough Council to confirm that they would like to be involved in their consultation.

21. WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER

The Council DOES NOT SUPPORT the Public Space Protection Order as the community is losing access to local open spaces through development. The Council felt the proposed order is too draconian and is curtailing people's enjoyment of open spaces and is unmatched to the problem here.

22. WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS EVENING

There were no volunteers for the prospective members evening.

23. BUSINESS PLAN 2019 – 2023

The Council held a public consultation on the Business Plan projects in July and DEFERRED the Business Plan to the next meeting.

24. CRANLEIGH YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

The Council AGREED to form a Working Party of Cllrs J Betts, S Jeacock, D Nicholas and E Townsend with the following terms of reference:

- To look at a holistic approach for the Leisure Centre, tennis courts, multi use games area and 3G pitch.
- To identify best use of land and resources.
- To report back to the Council by February.

The Council AGREED to write to the Football Clubs to advise them of the Council's Working Party.

25. WAR MEMORIAL REPAIR

The Council discussed this item in private and confidential session as it is commercial in confidence. The Council AGREED to appoint contractor Traditional Stone to repair the War Memorial in readiness for Remembrance Sunday.

26. SNOXHALL FIELDS

The Council discussed this item in private and confidential session as it is commercial in confidence. The Council considered three quotations for a height barrier at the entrance to Snoxhall Fields but AGREED not to proceed with the height barrier as it would be visually intrusive.

The Council DELEGATED AUTHORITY to the Clerk, Grounds Manager, Cllrs J Betts, B Freeston, A Richardson and R Tyler to seek the advice of the Police and proceed with the purchase of a CCTV system to a maximum budget of £15,000

The Council AGREED to fund the purchase of the CCTV system from its general reserve as an interest free loan to the Snoxhall Fields charity to be re-paid from the car park income.

Cllr D Nicholas left the meeting.

27. LONG TERM HIRE OF COUNCIL BUILDINGS

The Council discussed this item in private and confidential session as it is commercial in confidence. The Council DELEGATED AUTHORITY to the Working Party to investigate:

- Commercial rental of the buildings.
- Approach cafes in the village to provide a service at Snoxhall Fields.

The Clerk advised that the Council must meet the requirements of local government and charity law when considering a lease of buildings at Snoxhall Fields.

28. STAFF MATTERS

The Council discussed this item in private and confidential session as it is staff in confidence. The Council AGREED the recommendations of the Personnel Committee.

29. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 20 September 2018. The meeting closed at 10.35pm.

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