

Whitstone Parish Council

Minutes for the Annual Meeting
Wednesday 14th June 2017

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1. Public question time

Mrs Stanbury attended the meeting with reference to the Community Benefit grant application received from Whitstone CP School. The reason for the grant application was explained and noted.

1a. No County Councillor's report had been received.

2. To note Councillors present

Cllr Horn opened the meeting at 1930, with Cllr Collins, Cllr Medland and Cllr Hopper attending. Clerk Mrs K Denton

3. To receive Apologies for absence with reasons

Apologies had been received from
CCllr Chopak – business
Cllr Orchard - holiday
Cllr Furse - business

It was **resolved** to accept apologies for absence.

Proposed: Cllr Horn **Seconded:** Cllr Collins **Unan** **17/041**

4. To receive Declarations of Interest & Approve Dispensations

None

5. To receive and approve the Minutes of:

Ordinary Meeting Wednesday 10th May 2017

Proposed: Cllr Hopper **Seconded:** Cllr Collins **Unan** **17/042**

6. To receive Clerk's report on Matter's Arising:

Registers of Interests have been copied and sent by post.
CALC Training – contact Clerk to book on any of the training days.
Surface water at Dilland – email response received. Put on Agenda for July.

7. Planning

Any late applications received will be discussed under this section

7a. None

7b. Approvals

None

8. Portfolio Reports: to Elect committee & members to outside bodies

Footpaths – Clerk to chase up reinstatement of full width footpath as per previous correspondence.

Parish Hall – BT had removed a telephone line in error resulting in no broadband service.

Reconnection scheduled for 20th June 2017. There had been some difficulty with taking bookings but new members had now joined so hopefully this will help. Some minor vandalism had taken place.

Grants – A grant application had been received from Whitstone CP School.

9. Correspondence

1. CALC. Newsletters – received and noted
2. Fly the Red Ensign – received and noted

10. Agenda Items

1. One applicant for Co-option, Grace Martyn, attended the meeting. It was **resolved** to Co-Opt Mrs Martin to the Parish Council.

Proposed: Cllr Horn **Seconded:** Cllr Hopper **Unan.** **17/043**

2. A new bank mandate was received and it was agreed to remove signatory Esther Greig and to add Kate Denton (Clerk) and Cllr Horn (Vice-Chair). The form was duly signed.

Proposed: Cllr Collins **Seconded:** Cllr Hopper **Unan** **17/044**

3. There was some concern that not many applications had been received for Community Benefit grants. After discussion it was felt that a form of bursary for over-16s educational travel costs would be a good use of the funds. Cllr Hopper and Cllr Horn will work on a policy for this and present it at the next meeting.

4. A grant application had been received from Whitstone CP School for help in providing an outdoor covered reading area to encourage students to read for enjoyment. After discussion it was **agreed** to grant £389.99 for the project – the Parish Council were pleased to be able to help with the reading area itself but felt it would be an inappropriate use of funds to buy books for the school.

Proposed: Cllr Horn **Seconded:** Cllr Medland **Unan** **17/045**

5. The Parish Council Carnival will take place on 15th July. The school sports take place at 3pm, followed by the produce show from 4 – 6.30pm. Cllr Horn has spoken to the musicians who are happy to take part. A course is being sorted out for the Ball Run which will be at 7pm and full-sized balls will be needed. It was agreed that Cllr Horn will purchase 200 balls on behalf of the Parish Council and these will be kept for future events. These will then be 'sold' at £3 each or 4 for £10 to take part in the race. Cash prizes will be offered with the top prize being £100.

Proposed: Cllr Hopper **Seconded:** Cllr Medland **Unan** **17/046**

13. Accounts

13.a Balances 31st May 2017

Current Account	TBA
Savings Account	TBA
CCLA LPF	£ 45,000.00

Clerk will obtain balances once the signed mandate is cleared with the bank.

13b. To approve Accounts for Payment

Clerk	Net wages	000550	£ 58.09
Clerk	Postage – Cheques etc	000550	£ 4.33
Clerk	Mileage	000550	£ 15.00

13c. To note income

HMRC	VAT refund	BACS	£345.23
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It was **resolved** to approve the payments and to **note** income

Proposed: Cllr Collins **Seconded:** Cllr Horn **Unan** **17/047**

Cllr Furse joined the meeting at 8.30pm

15. Items for June's Agenda.

To **review** and **resolve** on the Community Benefit Policy

The Meeting closed at 2045.