

## **WOOLAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A Meeting of Woolavington Parish Council was held in the Village Hall, Higher Road, Woolavington on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- A. Sharp (Chairman), A.J. Chidgey, Mrs S. Chidgey, J. Dobson, B.J. Galloway, Mrs C. Galloway, R.J. Raymond, Mrs J. Reade, R. Young (Clerk) and 6 members of the public.

Apology for absence received from R. Darch, M.P. Herbert, District Councillor Mrs A. Hamlin and County/District Councillor M. Healey.

### **19. Declarations of Interest**

Mr and Mrs Chidgey disclosed interests in matters relating to the B3141 as residents of Causeway, Mr Sharp disclosed an interest in matters relating to BAE Systems due to a pension and Mr Galloway disclosed an interest in matters relating to the village hall as a member of the Village Hall Committee.

### **20. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 13<sup>th</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as correct records.

### **21. Reports of the County and District Councillors**

Neither Member was present.

### **22. Proposed Neighbourhood Agreement, Woolavington Estate**

Homes in Sedgemoor had advised that a further meeting with residents and interested parties would be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2014 with a view to forming an action plan.

### **23. Big Local Funding**

It was noted that Members were invited to attend the next Villages Together Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> June as local residents. A meeting was being arranged with Helen Baker and Angela Kerr of Vista who would be helping to write the Plan.

### **24. Maintenance Issues**

It was noted that a meeting had been held with a play and sports equipment provider and young people from Flare to enable plans to be drawn up to replace the play equipment in the Lower Playing Field. A goal/basket ball facility appeared to be top priority and it was agreed to work up an RLT3 grant application. It was also agreed to check the skateboard facility in the sports field. An order had been placed for the provision of a dog waste bin at Ham Lane. The Village Clean-up Day on 26<sup>th</sup> July was discussed. It was agreed to meet outside the Co-op at 10.00a.m. with light refreshments being provided afterwards in the Village Hall.

### **25. Highways Issues**

A number of highway defects had been reported since the last Meeting. It was agreed to report damage to the reflector posts along the Causeway by the grass cutter. No action had been taken by the Highways Authority since the last Meeting regarding the outstanding items which would be discussed at the next Polden Hills Cluster Meeting together with the standard of reinstatements:- signs at Church Street, bus stop flag and yellow hatching at Higher Road and damaged verges at Woolavington Estate. No progress had been made with the enhancement of the bus shelter at Lockswell but the appropriate notice boards had now been delivered. Reference was made to continuous breaches of the weight restriction by HGVs and it was agreed to log details of offenders for forwarding to the police whenever possible. It was also noted that the Police Commissioner had been invited to attend the next Cluster Meeting.

## **26. Authorisation for Payment**

The following payments were authorised:-

000877 W. Stone	hedge cutting	£420.00
000878 Greenslades	grass cutting	£313.99
000879 G. Bickers	grass cutting	£525.00
000880 WRAP	grant	£3,000.00
000881 Post Office	EDF electricity bill, pavilion	£136.68
000882 Parish Clerk	expenses and sundry payments	£1,696.33

## **27. Planning Applications**

There were no new planning applications to consider.

It was noted that planning application 007 - Change of use, conversion and extension of former public house to village convenience store, Prince of Wales, 42 Woolavington Hill – Box Property Group – had yet to be determined by the District Council.

The Chairman reported that it was hoped that a presentation by Newland Homes on their plans for the site off Crockers Hill would take place at the next Meeting.

## **28. Reports from Voluntary Organisations**

Mr Galloway reported upon issues relating to use of the Village Hall's small lottery grant of £265.

The Meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Chairman

Matters discussed during public question time included street cleansing and planning issues.