

**I hereby summons you to attend a Meeting of Pyecombe Parish Council
to be held on Tuesday 4th March 2014
At Pyecombe Parish Church at 7.00pm**

Members of the public have a right, and are welcome, to attend meetings of the Council. 15 minutes in total will be allowed *before the* meeting for questions to the Council from members of the electorate.

Dawn Langston

Clerk to the Pyecombe Parish Council

Minutes

Attendees –

Cllr David Wilson – Chairman
Cllr Tim Cullen
Cllr David Hunt
Cllr Marcus Saich
Cllr Colin Trumble – MSDC
Parish Clerk Dawn Langston
Four Members of the public

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – Received from Cllr Graham Bishop
- 2. Declaration of interest by Councillors on any item on the agenda**
None declared
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting** – Agreed by Council, signed by Chairman
- 4. Questions from the Public** - Meeting opened to Members of the Public for questions where questions were raised regarding the new farm shop residents queried whether the Lorries would remain in their current location and asked whether the piles of rubble currently in situ would be moved upon completion. Cllr Saich advised that once building work is complete Lorries will be moved to another yard, top soil will be grassed over and planted and that Lorries should not then be visible from local properties.
- 5. West Sussex County Council** – No report received.
- 6. Mid Sussex District Council** – Cllr Colin Trumble updated council on four main areas;
Mayfield – Despite MSDC being unsupportive these development plans appear to be gathering momentum and should be an area of concern for local residents. Cllr Trumble has suggested that the Council look into a Neighbourhood Plan and will arrange for some information on the process ready for the next meeting.
SDNP Consultation Plan- This is available to view on the SDNP website and any comments should be made within the allocated timescale, this information has been emailed round to all Councillors for their perusal.
District Plan – MSDC are hopeful that the District Plan will help in the fight against any Mayfield development and Cllr Trumble confirmed that although refused by the Inspector on the basis that there was not sufficient cooperation between Brighton and Lewes, the plan will be resubmitted and it is hopeful that this will be agreed in the autumn of 2014.
The White House, Church Lane – General discussion as no formal application has been received Council queried whether planning for three dwellings would be allowed by MSDC as SDNP have advised that they have no objections therefore the decision would be down to MSDC.
- 7. Highways** – Following a meeting between Cllr Wilson and N De Sousa it has been confirmed that Safety Mirrors will not be allowed by the Highways Department. There will be further white lines added to the areas of concern by MSDC. Having raised concerns regarding the parking of lorries on kerbs Council have been offered the

opportunity to plant trees along these areas and take over the upkeep however as there are cost and time implications this was not considered a viable option.

8. **Planning – SDNP/13/05124/HOUS** 20 The Street, Pyecombe – Application for retention of Straw Barn Outhouse. This application is still pending whilst MSDC hold talks with EDF. There is still no further update.
SDNP/14/01063/LIS Pyecombe Manor, Pyecombe Street. Strip tiles, add insulating roof membrane over rafters, re-batten, rehang original tiles (matching any replacements with originals). This is to be done on north, west and south roof slopes and tile hung walls. Replace 2 roof lights with similar style replacements. Remove non-original brick fireplace with brass canopy from within inglenook and replacement with wood burning stove. Council confirmed that there are no objections to this application.
Pyecombe Golf club have submitted a pre application request for an extension of the existing car park and this will be discussed upon full submission.
9. **West Sussex County Council Rights of Way** – proposed new signage for Chantry Farm. Signage is still an ongoing issue however it was felt that once the No through Road Sign has been erected this should alleviate the problem.
10. **Flooding and Operation Watershed** - Work is due to start on the Operation Watershed project towards the end of the month when gullies will be cleared and a camera will be used to see whether there are any further issues. Concerns were raised as to whether this would help the issue and there were suggestions of installing an interceptor tank. Council requested Cllr Wilson to contact contractors and request further information.
Action Cllr Wilson
11. **Community Initiative** – Following the clearance of the bank last year as this remains an ongoing Cllr Wilson will contact Gulu Sibanda and request funding of £350.00 towards bulbs and shrubs for this area. **Action Cllr Wilson**
12. **100th Anniversary WW1 – 2014** – Following the proposal at the last council meeting to plant a commemorative tree Cllr Wilson requested £25.00 towards the purchase on an Oak tree which will be planted by Council members during predicted spell of dry weather. **Action – Cllr Wilson to arrange.**
13. **Finance**
Balance Sheet – clerk updated Council with balance sheet showing predicted balances as at 31.03.2014.
100871 £175.00 Pyecombe Parish Church.
100872 £258.48 Invoice 8001014591 WSCC Payroll Clerks salary January
100873 £59.55 Invoice Easy Space
100874 £498.29 Came & Company Insurance Renewal
Confirmation of Bursary as requested towards Clerks Training Costs £43.75
Repeal of s.150 (5) Local Government Act 1972 – clerk explained this allowed Parish Council members to sign cheques with only one signatory however Council felt that they would prefer to continue with the current practise of two signatories.
14. **Dates for future Meetings**
Tuesday 13th May 2014 Annual Meeting followed by Council Meeting
Tuesday 8th July 2014
Tuesday 9th September 2014
Tuesday 11th November 2014