

Pyecombe Parish Council

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Minutes of the full Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th March at Pyecombe Church at 7.00pm

Present – Cllr D. Wilson – Chairman, Cllr G. Bishop, and Cllr T. Cullen.

Mid Sussex District Councillor C Trumble

Clerk and RFO – Mrs D. Langston

9 Parishioners

Prior to the commencement of the meeting Council were thanked by a parishioner for the works carried out at the Children's Play Area.

Cllr Wilson advised this was the last planned meeting scheduled prior to the Parish Elections.

14.15 Apologies for Absence; None received.

15.15 Declaration of interest by Councillors on any item on the agenda; None advised.

16.15 Minutes of Previous Meetings – Prior to the signing of the Minutes of Tuesday 20th January Cllr Cullen requested an update on items 6.15 and 8.15 Cllr Wilson confirmed these items are still ongoing. It was agreed the Community Bank Clearance and planting should take place on Saturday 11th April 2015. Clerk will liaise with WSCC. Minutes were then agreed and signed.
Action Cllr Wilson/Clerk.

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17.15 No updates were available from West Sussex District Council.

18.15 Mid Sussex District Council update – Cllr Trumble confirmed that Mid Sussex District Council have now set their budget with no increase in Council Tax although bills may show a slight rise due to the increase in the policing costs. Cllr Wilson queried why the Parish Council costs showed an increase when there had been no rise in the Precept. Clerk confirmed that changes in the electorate would reflect a percentage rise or fall in the parish council tax base.

Mid Sussex District Plan having been submitted is still under review it is hoped that if accepted it will be implemented by Spring 2016. Cllr Trumble confirmed the requirement for 11,050 new homes in the District in the period to 2031 although planned developments will cover some of these numbers. Mayfield Market Town is not currently supported by MSDC who are actively campaigning on the subject of Infrastructure Deficit.

Confirmation was given that MSDC opposed the second runway at Gatwick having outlined very powerful reasons for refusal.

Church Lane planning application currently only reflects a pre planning application Cllr Trumble will speak to Nick Rogers at MSDC regarding the attendance of the Parish Council at any future pre application meetings. **Action Cllr Trumble**

Cllr
Trumble

Arrangements had been made for the sweeping of roads in the Parish and this should now be complete. Cllr Trumble requested issues with Fly tipping be raised with either David Harper MSDC or himself. Cllr Trumble left the meeting at this point.

<p>19.15 Planning – There are currently no planning applications.</p> <p>20.15 Highways Wyshe Road –Following concerns raised by residents regarding works being carried out on this road without prior notification Cllr Wilson has been in contact with Affinity Sutton who confirmed full ownership was reached in 1990. Several meetings have taken place between Cllr Wilson and Affinity Sutton with confirmation now received that no further works will be carried out without consultation with residents. Several residents queried why there had previously been questions raised as to who owned the road it was highlighted that this road has a very rural character which residents would like to retain. Clerk will look into the ownership. Action Clerk.</p> <p>21.15 Children’s Play Area Update – MSDC have confirmed there is currently no funding for the replacement or updating of the equipment although they will replace the safety surface. Clerk will continue to liaise with MSDC regarding this item. Action Clerk.</p> <p>22.15 Relocation of Notice board Cllr Wilson had been approached by several residents regarding the relocating the notice board in The Street to an area which sees more footfall. Council will consider this item prior to the next meeting. Action all Councillors.</p> <p>23.15 Flooding and Operation Watershed – Cllr Wilson and Cllr Cullen met with Richard Spiller who agreed the current works have not resolved the issues and has suggested improvements to include the installation of a pump which will enable water to be drained off to the nearest main drainage system. Further funding will be required with an application needed prior to the end of March. Action Cllr Wilson/Clerk</p> <p>Lighting – Following the installation of new LED bulbs a complaint has been received from a resident whose house is affected by the brightness of these bulbs. Council has been advised there are no shades available. Clerk suggested that this light be turned off earlier during the evening and Cllr Cullen will look into this. Action Cllr Cullen.</p> <p>24.15 Finance/Clerks update – Email account clerk will look into generic addresses for Councillors. Balance sheet was handed to all Councillors. Cheques raised for payment since last meeting confirmed as follows; Confirmation of cheques to be raised for signature since last meeting £261.84 Invoice 8001065959 WSCC Payroll Clerks Salary £261.84 Invoice 8001071421 WSCC Payroll Clerks Salary £10.00 Mid Sussex Association of Local Councils Membership £75.36 Invoice EDF 579902725750 £2495.68 Invoice IN_22033 Operation Watershed Works Balfour Beatty £73.74 D Wilson to cover Invoices for Pyecombe Newsletter</p> <p>25.15 Parish Council Elections Nomination forms must be delivered to MSDC by hand at set appointment time’s clerk will undertake this task and requested all forms be ready by Tuesday 24th March. All Councillors will be standing for election. Action Clerk.</p> <p>26.15 Dates for future meetings; 19th May, 14th July, 15th September, 10th November. Venues to be confirmed.</p>	<p>Clerk.</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>All Cllrs.</p> <p>Clerk Cllr Wilson</p> <p>Cllr Cullen</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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