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Minutes of the full Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th September 2014 at Wayfield Farm Shop at 7.00pm

Present – Cllr David Wilson – Chairman, Cllr G Bishop, Cllr T Cullen, Cllr D Hunt and Cllr M Saich.

West Sussex County Councillor Peter Griffiths

Mid Sussex District Councillor Jack Callaghan

Mr G. Sibanda – Mid Sussex District Council

Clerk and RFO – Mrs Dawn Langston

3 Parishioners

Prior to the commencement of the meeting Council heard comments from members of the public regarding the Children's Play Area. Concerns were raised about the lack of any form of upkeep by MSDC and the dilapidated play equipment. As this was raised at the previous meeting the Clerk confirmed that this item had been raised with MSDC with a view to arranging a meeting to survey the site. Cllr Callaghan will contact D. Terry at MSDC and ask that this issue be rectified prior to the next Parish Council meeting.

34.14 Apologies for Absence; Mid Sussex District Councillor C Trumble.

35.14 Declaration of interest by Councillors on any item on the agenda; None received

36.14 Update by Cllr Griffiths

Cllr Griffiths requested that all council members and parishioners try to complete the WSCC

On Line Survey 'What Matters To You' highlighting how important it is that residents air their views on matters/services which are important to their Parish. Members of the public requested details via email. Clerk will also add a link to the Parish Council website.

A27 action group have also requested support from local people who use the road, details on their campaign can be found on www.a27action.co.uk. Tour of Britain Cycle Ride will be coming through Sussex on 13th/14th September road closures have already been advised by Highways. West Sussex County Council have a new Chief Operating Officer whose main aims are to improve accountability and customer services.

Cllr Griffiths queried whether the lorry parking along the London Road, Pyecombe was still an issue, Council confirmed this was the case and once again requested double yellow lines be marked on affected areas. Cllr Griffiths requested Mr Sibanda revisit.

Cllr Griffiths advised of a change of heart regarding the proposed second runway at Gatwick he has concerns regarding the use of any monies raised being used to benefit the people of Sussex.

Chairman raised the question of A23 Lay-by/Route 23 Diner Entrance however this is not an Issue for West Sussex County Council as it falls under the jurisdiction of the Highways Agency. Council also raised the issue of an email received from T Wyatt, Highways, regarding blocked ditches/gullies a copy of this has been passed to Gulu Sibanda who will look into land ownership in conjunction with Clerk.

Due to another engagement Cllr Griffiths left the meeting at this point.

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<p>37.14 Update by Cllr Callaghan who reiterated that he will take on board comments regarding The children’s play area and will liaise with Mid Sussex staff to ensure works are carried out prior to the next Council Meeting. Although not a Council item confirmation was given that funding for the new church kitchen has now been allocated. Secretary of State has turned down several planning applications in Hurstpierpoint due to the Neighbourhood Plan being in place. Cllr Callaghan left the meeting at this point.</p>	
<p>38.14 Minute of Previous Meetings Tuesday 8th and 22nd July were duly agreed and signed.</p>	
<p>39.14 Update from previous Minutes –Following contact with West Sussex County Council regarding the Online mapping Service and possible training available dates will be circulated by the clerk to all Councillors.</p>	Clerk
<p>40.14 Highways to include A23 Lay-by/Route 23 entrance. Overgrown hedgerows and verges – see Minute reference 36.14. Cllr Wilson confirmed suggestions had been made by West Sussex County Council that the overgrown hedgerows and verges should be cleared as part of a Community Initiative Scheme however due to the lack of attendance at the last initiative day council were not happy to take this option. Gulu Sibanda suggested that perhaps a Community Payback team could undertake the task it was also felt by council that this was a scheme that required an involvement of machinery and this would also not be viable. Gulu Sibanda has requested that details be emailed to him and a meeting was also arranged for Friday 12th September 2014 which Cllr Wilson will attend.</p> <p>Road markings on the A23 North slip road junction with Wayfield Farm road entrance/exit are missing Gulu Sibanda will speak to Nick DeSousa regarding this matter.</p>	Gulu Sibanda/ Cllr Wilson
<p>41.14 Operation Watershed - Council confirmed that there is still an issue when severe rainfall occurs a report is due from Contractors by the end of the week which Clerk will email to members.</p>	Clerk
<p>42.14 Planning – Land at Church Lane, Pyecombe, Mayfield, Inter Parish Meeting – A letter was received from Homes & Communities Agency confirming that they will now be marketing the site this month and will look to contract with a preferred developer by the end of March 2015. Updates will be requested by clerk prior to each Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>Mayfield continues to be an ongoing item however there are currently no planning applications in place. Inter Parish Meeting will be held on 30th September 2014 at 7.00pm Clerk will email Agenda to all Councillors who will confirm availability.</p>	Clerk
<p>Email received from South Downs National Park regarding Consultee Access it was agreed that all details will be filled in ensuring any comments relating to Planning Applications are only submitted by the Clerk.</p>	Clerk
<p>43.14 Finance/Clerks Update – Balance sheet was handed to members Clerk confirmed accounts and advised we are awaiting an invoice for works carried out under the Operation Watershed grant.</p> <p>Centenary Plaque – several options have been located by the Clerk however the wording has now been amended as follows; ‘This tree was planted in 2014 in commemoration of all those parishioners who gave their labour and lives in the great war 1914-2014’</p> <p>Defibrillator – Clerk has located several charities that will assist with the placement and purchase of defibrillation equipment this is an ongoing item which clerk will continue to research prior to the next meeting.</p> <p>Confirmation of cheques raised for signature; £261.84 Invoice 8001047033 WSCC Payroll Clerks Salary/August £25.95 D Langston for purchase of WinZip Standard Edition.</p>	Clerk
<p>44.14 Matters to be carried forward to next meeting; New bench for corner of Church Lane Clerk will take photos of those currently located in neighbouring parishes and send to members.</p>	Clerk
<p>Website could be more visually enhanced encouraging people to visit the site clerk will look at other sites for comparison.</p>	Clerk
<p>Section of the Wyshe remains unmade several properties are still owned by Affinity Sutton clerk will contact with regards to their plans.</p>	Clerk
<p>45.14 Date for next meeting – Tuesday 11th November 2014 – Venue to be confirmed</p>	