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Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 15th January 2019 at Pyecombe Church at 7:00 pm

Present – Cllr D. Wilson – Chairman, Cllr C. Bere, and Cllr T. Cullen.
Mid Sussex District Councillor C. Trumble.
West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis.
Clerk and RFO – Mrs D. Langston.

Minutes

1.19 Apologies for absence were **r**eceived from Cllr G. Bishop.

2.19 **Declaration of interest by Councillors on any item on the agenda.** No interests were declared.

3.19 **To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th December 2018.** Minutes were agreed by Council and signed by Chairman.

4.19 **Update by Mid Sussex District Councillor C. Trumble:**

- Mayfield Market Town has lodged a preferential planning application with Horsham District Council although no details are available. MSDC do not support Mayfield Market Town as not in the District Plan.
- MSDC Scrutiny Committee has formally responded to the consultation on the Gatwick Master Draft Plan.
- MSDC has issues on temporary accommodation within the district which results in people being allocated to units as far afield as Worthing. They are working to address these issues and have provided another four units which will rise to twenty units containing both one and two bed rooms. It is envisaged this will help to reduce the costs involved in providing this type of accommodation to around forty six families per year.
- MSDC have received confirmation of retention of business rates. These monies will go towards upgrading digital infrastructure with a specific focus on rural economies.
- Cllr Trumble is liaising with Clerk regarding funding/upgrading for the children's play area. Clerk will keep Council updated on progress.

Cllr Trumble left the meeting at this point.

5.19 **Highways Issues.**

- TRO is progressing Pyecombe are currently eighth on the list with projects one to five being dealt with. Council have requested this be extended to include an area to the North of the white gates on the London Road and additional signage.
- A recent repair to gas mains at the bottom of Church Lane has resulted in an uneven road surface. Clerk has reported to WSCC Highways.
- Benches located on the bank at by the Church and the bottom of The Street will be replaced. Clerk will liaise with Cllr Saich on this item.

Cllr Dennis arrived at this point.

- Council have reviewed sites for SID location and will liaise with Cllr Dennis regarding installation.

6.19 Update by West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis:

- Operation Watershed still has funding available. Clerk will contact to ask for advice reference works to be carried out.
- Gatwick Master Draft Plan. No budget has been presented to deal with the increased infrastructure of a second runway and therefore WSCC are not in support of the proposals.
- Chichester College has been appointed as provider of services at Hayward's Heath Sixth Form College. It is hoped the facility will be running by September 2020 focusing on Academic and T Levels.
- A2300 upgrade continues to progress. Burgess Hill Strategic upgrade plan will look at items such as cycle paths, bridleways, pavements and both Burgess Hill and Wivesfield stations with a view to further parking provision. A rural TRO will be implemented to protect rural country lanes with the introduction of further signage highlighting width and weight restrictions.
- Budget will be retained at current level despite the rising number of people requiring adult social care and increasing numbers of children with very complex needs.
- Council requested Cllr Dennis look into recent proposals to remove school bus provision from Pyecombe children.

Cllr Dennis left the meeting at this point.

7.19 Finance/Clerks Report.

Balance Sheet handed to all Councillors.
Council resolved to accept the recent NALC pay increase.
2019/20 Budget was set by Council. It was agreed Precept will increase to £9,000.

Cheques raised for signature:
£349.81 WSCC Invoice 8001343878
£349.81 WSCC Invoice 8001350208
£ 45.91 EDF Energy Invoice 5156124
£ 23.45 D. Langston Expenses
£134.21 D. Wilson Newsletter Expenses.

8.19 Date of next meeting confirmed as Tuesday 12th March 2019.