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PEASENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 27th of September 2017

Present:- Parish Councillors; Norman Ball, John Bawtree, Christopher Bishop, Peter Dance, Teddy Forsythe, Nicholas Levett-Scrivener, Chris Norrington (Chairman), Kenneth Parry Brown, Frank Potter (Vice-Chairman), and Tony Sore.

Apologies were received from Stephen Burroughes.

2017/110 The Chairman welcomed councillors and six members of the public.

2017/112 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - Councillor Levett-Scrivener declared an interest concerning agenda item 12, Planning Issues.

2017/113 PUBLIC FORUM - Questions were asked concerning the condition of The Gul (agenda item 13), village grass cutting (agenda item 19) and traffic calming measures (agenda item 15). The Chairman allowed these agenda items to be discussed at this point. With regard to The Gul, the Environment Agency has promised to carry out clearing works and has been contacted many times to this end. The Chairman stated that he has written to our MP to ask for her help to expedite matters.

With regard to grass cutting the contractor has promised to cut the grass in the near future. The Council is to go out to tender for next year's cutting.

With regard to traffic calming measures, the posts for the SID have been installed by Suffolk County Highways. The Clerk is to request a list of approved suppliers for the SID to enable the Council to select a suitable sign. The Chairman signed the agreement between Peasehall Parish Council and Suffolk County Council to enable the Council to administer the SID.

An additional question was asked concerning the cutting of the hedge opposite The Methodist Church. The Chairman stated that this was carried out by Sibton Parish Council. The Clerk is to contact them.

2017/114 MINUTES of the meetings of 14/06/2017 and 12/09/2017 (Planning Meeting Only) were approved and signed as a true record.

2017/115 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none.

2017/116 FINANCIAL REPORT - Balances (at 31/08/2017):-

Current A/C - £17813.14, Deposit A/C - £7098.61

Cheques were signed for:- SALC (payroll services) £54.00, Peasehall Methodist Church (room hire) £82.50, HMRC (PAYE) £140.80, MATrovell (salary April/May/June 2017) £563.45, MATrovell (Clerk's expenses Apr 1st to Sept 30th 2017) £84.54.

2017/116 GRANT APPLICATION FORM - the Clerk submitted a form to be used in cases of applications for funding from the Council by local bodies. This was approved unanimously.

2017/117 COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING - the possible application has been postponed to a future date.

2017/118 PEASENHALL PARISH COUNCIL DONATIONS - donations were agreed as follows :- Disability Advice Service (East Suffolk) £125.00, Leiston, Saxmundham and District CAB £200.00, Halesworth Volunteer Centre £50.00, EACH £50.00, Royal British Legion £100.00, Suffolk Foodbank £50.00.

2017/119 STANDING ORDERS - The revised Standing Orders were adopted by the Council

2017/120 THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION - the Clerk explained that new regulations concerning data protection were to come into force in May 2018. The Clerk requested that he should attend a short course on the effects of this change. The Council agreed to this.

2017/121 PLANNING ISSUES - The Suffolk Coastal Local Plan Review - Issues and Options Consultation was discussed at length.

In addition to opinions regarding the sites highlighted for development in Peasenhall and views on the Village Envelope and the housing mix within the village, the Chairman suggested that the Council's submission should cover overarching issues such as transport links, a vision for the village in the future with regard to services, shops etc.. It should also include matters of concern such as bus services and the need in the future to extend the Cemetery.

The Chairman asked for comments a week before the next meeting in order to formulate the Council's response at the next meeting. The final date for submission of the response to SCDC is 30th October 2017.

2017/122 SPEED STICKERS TO WASTE BINS - the Chairman introduced this idea, being used in some areas. Research on costs, acceptability etc. will be carried out before bringing the idea back to the Council.

2017/123 HIGHWAY MATTERS (x-ref;2017/98) - Stephen Burroughes has e-mailed the Council to say that he will arrange a visit to the village by a highways manager as soon as possible.

2017/124 CEMETERY TREE - The work to remove the Horse Chestnut Tree from the Cemetery and remove the stump has been carried out.

2017/125 CORRESPONDENCE A letter has been received from AON, the Council's Insurers, informing us that next year the policy will be handled by BHIB Insurance Brokers. The Clerk to establish whether the current 3-year deal will be honoured.

2017/126 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA -

Items from Minutes 2017/95//97/123/121, seat for the Cemetery

2017/127 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 29th November 2017 at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.