

HALSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11 September 2017 AT 19.45 in THE PAVILION, STATION ROAD, HALSTEAD.

PRESENT Cllr. Christine Halliday, vice Chairman of Council in the chair.
Cllr. Phil Draper
Cllr. Barry Gardiner
Cllr. Roger Sales

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk, 3 parishioners,,District Cllr Grint County Cllr Chard . The meeting convened at 19.45

1 **APOLOGIES:** were received and accepted from Cllr Terry Brooker who was on holiday. Cllr Baldwin was absent.

Cllr. Karen Grosvenor had submitted a letter of resignation which was read to the Council. Councillors agreed to accept her resignation and the vacancy will be advertised.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Items other than those already declared in Councillors' Register of Interests
Nil

2.1 **DISPENSATIONS**

Nil

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RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14 August were Approved and Signed as a True Record. With one correction.: The137 payment to the Cricket Team was in the sum of 700.50

4 **FINANCE**

4.1 **Resolved:** that accounts as itemised will be paid.

Proposed by. Cllrs. Gardiner and Draper

C4082	Viridor waste disposal		£53.24
C4083	Arco		£88.86
	<u>Clerks' expenses incurred while carrying out her duties:</u>		
	Internet allowance	17.66	
	Stationary SDC Book	20.00	
	Travel	18.90	
	Postage	7.40.	
	1 &1 internet	<u>79.13</u>	£143.09
	Cleaner Parish Room and Pavilion		£302.50
DD	EDF Parish Room		£ 23.00
DD	EDF Pavilion		<u>£ 44.00</u>

TOTAL £354.69

The cheques were signed at the close of business by Cllrs Sales and Draper

Castle Water has submitted another bill. The clerk will send a letter attached to the payment expressing Council's concerns on the cost of the service and lack of communication with the company.

4.2 **RECEIPTS** **NIL**

4.3 Water usage and charge: Chairman of Finance Committee

Cllr. Sales stated that there is more work to undertake. Before approaching Castle Water *Agenda item November meeting*

5. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Grint encouraged Council to look **at the Local Plan Consultation**. Meetings are being organised by District Council. Response to this document is required by October.

A question was asked about the future of Fort Halstead. The only information has been from the local paper. Cllr Grint wondered what was going on at Polhill with the land movements. County Councillor Chard is making short, unannounced visit to Councils. He advised that the buses are running quite well.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

A It was agreed that Council should continue to support the Freighter service. This may have to stand alone without Knockholt in 2018

B Council unsure if Council will be able to hold a village clear-up before Christmas.

C Councillor Grint asked how Halstead Parish managed to have parishioners willing to support this actions and asked for advice

7 Remembrance Service, Cllr Brooker will lay the wreath. It has been ordered

7 PLANNING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17 August were approved and signed as a true record.

7d DECISIONS

Refusal

SE/17/02337/FUL Land at Curry Wood Farm, Knockholt Road.

Granted

SE/17/0190 1 Jessmere, Shoreham Lane. Demolition of existing store to erect two storey side extensions

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8 AMENITIES AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

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ALLOTMENTS - use of hoses.

Council expressed concern about the increased cost of water.

To be discussed at a future meeting

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SPEEDING

No decision was made to re-start Speed Watch.

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INFORMATION: NIL

10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: MONDAY 9 October 2017

The meeting closed at 20.00

