

COLNBROOK WITH POYLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL held at the Westfield Hall, Colnbrook on Tuesday 14th September 2004, commencing at 7.30pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

CHAIRMAN: Cllr L. Tucker
Cllrs. Angell, Ghatora,
Mrs Gipps, Hood, Laxman, and
Maddison

The Clerk and Finance Officer,
Mr. R.L.N. Hewson

Thames Valley WPC's – Tara
Flockhart and Debbie Skinner

3 members of Public

PC/04/38 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllrs. Gray, Rayner Thomas and Mrs Underhill. Also SBC Cllr. D. Smith.

PC/04/39 PUBLIC SESSION

- a) Mr Coe said that the work on the Crown Meadow to open it up for public access has actually started.
- b) Mr David Wood introduced himself as the treasurer and membership secretary of the East Berkshires Green Party. He asked if it were possible for the Parish Council to express its concerns over the loss of the mature trees at the proposed Cottesbrooke House redevelopment. The clerk explained that Slough Borough Council had already refused this application and it was going to appeal. If there was a fresh application, notification had not yet been received. Mr Wood said that he had only just received the plans. The Chairman undertook to speak to Mr McIsaac the chair of the planning committee.
- c) Mr Crockett once again referred to traffic through the village, the 81 bus route accidents and the 20mph speed limits. He also referred to a recent accident on the motorway when the High Street was completely gridlocked with traffic making U-turns etc. WPC Flockhart said that she was aware of the situation as she had been turning traffic away at the Punch Bowl end. The chairman referred to the ability of the Parish Council to erect its own Colnbrook signs and the matter would be pursued.

PC/04/40 MINUTES

(a) The minutes of the annual meeting held on Tuesday 13th July 2004 were confirmed as a true record.

(b) Matters arising

There were no matters arising not on the agenda.

PC/04/41 SERVICES COMMITTEE

Cllr. MacDougald reported on the meeting held on Tuesday 27th July 2004 which was accepted by the Council.

PC/04/42 FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

(a) Cllr. Laxman gave a report of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th July 2004 which was accepted by the Council.

(b) Lists of Payments:

The list of payments in the sum of £17,273.22 from 9th June 2004 – 13th July 2004 was confirmed and approved.

(c) Audit of Accounts 2003-2004 – Notice of Conclusion of Audit.
The Clerk reported the formal conclusion of the audit for the financial year 2003-2004, and that no matters give cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. Accordingly the external auditor has issued his certificate.

PC/04/43 EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The Chairman reported that the Emergency Committee had approved the payment of the setting-up grant to a new youth group K.A.S.T. (Kids Amateur Stage Theatre) of £400.00 Cllr. Laxman declared an interest. The Council endorsed this action and AGREED to raise the existing grants budget by £500.00 and instructed the Finance Officer to arrange payment.

PC/04/44 VILLAGE FORUM

Cllr. Laxman reported that the leaflets had been printed and would be distributed. The Parish Stand had been planned and prepared, and everything was ready for 25th September.

PC/04/45 PLANNING MATTERS

- (i) Appeal by Legal and General Assurance Society against the enforcement notice to clear the illegal fly-tipping on its land on the south-side of Colnbrook Bypass. The clerk read out a letter of support of the action of Slough Borough Council he had written at the request of the chairman. The Council unanimously endorsed its contents.
- (ii) P/01740/005 – Erection of single-storey rear extension etc. at 31, Sutton Lane – Clerk instructed to obtain plans.
- (iii) P/12934/000 – Proposed demolition of existing dwelling etc. at Theale, Old Bath Road – Clerk instructed to obtain plans.
- (iv) P/12945/000 – Erection of single-storey rear extension etc. at 18, Cottesbrooke Close – Leave to neighbours.
- (v) P/05637/002 – Erection of a pitch rook detached garage/store at 34, Springfield Road – Leave to neighbours.

PC/04/46 CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDENCE

- (i) Planning Aid South – Information Leaflet.
- (ii) Chenies Landscapes Ltd – Change of ownership of company.
- (iii) Government Office or the South East – Queen's Award for Voluntary Service Information.
- (iv) Slough Borough Council – Meeting with Borough Council Representatives.
- (v) Slough Community Training Partnership – Training Bulletin.
- (vi) Michael Trend, CBE, MP – Thank you letter.
- (vii) B.A.L.C. – Newsletter
- (viii) 2004 Autumn Funding Fair – Slough Windsor and Maidenhead 19/10/2004.
- (ix) Deputy Prime Minister – Consultation Document – Draft Code of Conduct for Local Government Employees.

PC/04/47 OUTSIDE BODIES

- (i) Cllr. MacDougald reported that the next meeting of the C.R.A. would be on 7th October at 8pm.
- (ii) Cllr Maddison reported on the BIFFA meeting and informed the Council that there was no sufficient gas given off to produce electricity.
- (iii) Cllr Angell informed the Council on the progress of the Village Plan. The questionnaire was now complete and accordingly it was AGREED that the Environment Sub-committee meet on 30th September at 7.30pm

(iv) Cllr. Tucker reported that he had attended:-

Tuesday 20 th July 2004	Environment Sub-Committee
Wednesday 21 st July 2004	Eleanor Resso visited from Colebrook – Laurie Tucker showed them our Parish.
Thursday 29 th July 2004	Meeting with Chenies Landscape at Colnbrook Rec.
Monday 2 nd August 2004	Meeting SBC & Andy Pepper re Colnbrook Flood Relief Scheme.
Tuesday 24 th August 2004	Environment Sub-Committee
Tuesday 7 th September 2004	Environment Parish Plan
Friday 10 th September 2004	LAANC Meeting (Knowle Green, Staines)

PC/04/48 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Chairman moved and it was AGREED that the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by virtue of the confidential nature of the business.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

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