

PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Pauntley Parish Council held in Pauntley Village Hall on Tuesday 21 February 2017 at 7.45 pm.

Present: Present: Councillor N Fowke, Chairman; Councillors Mrs A Rawson, Mrs C Philipps, Mr P Chapman, Mr M Elton, Mrs L Morris

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs L Harding

Two members of the public were present, along with County Councillor Will Windsor-Clive and District Councillor Clayton Williams.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND ACCEPTABLE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies and acceptable reasons for absence had been received from Councillor Trevail.

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda.

3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 2016

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2016 were approved.

4. TO DEAL WITH ANY ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETINGS

Dividing the main gate at the village hall is still to be considered.

Work on resurfacing Ketford Lane has been completed. Councillor Fowke expressed concerns about the quality of the work, which may not be very long-lasting.

The reservoir hedge has been cut although it was noted that high branches are still causing an obstruction. It was noted that the footpath by the Hollies is being used by horses and also that the hedges are obstructing the path. It was agreed that the proposed parish walks group could note any such obstructions.

The road sign for Ketford from the Dymock direction has been re-erected, although not in the correct position. The Pauntley sign at Payford Bridge has been re-erected.

5. PLANNING

- a. Cherrington, Pool Hill – discharge of conditions. Permission granted.
- b. The Dovecot, Pauntley Court – listed building consent for the installation of a wood burner and two new windows. Permission granted.
- c. Jasmine Cottage, Pool Hill – two storey extension to the rear. Permission granted.
- d. Compton Green Farmhouse – a retrospective planning application has been requested by the district council.
- e. Ketford Kennels – the enforcement section are not planning to take any action. The Footpaths Officer is still investigating as the bridle path has been

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6. FINANCE

The Clerk presented a financial report. The balance at the bank at 31 January 2017 was £ 3,998.61, and spending is within budget. It was noted that it had been resolved in 2016 that financial items for resolution would be individually approved only where these were over £100.

It was resolved to make payment to the Clerk of £35.17 for expenses.

It was resolved to make payment of salary to the Clerk for September to December 2016 at £566.61.

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Revised salary scales for clerks issued by SLCC in 2016 were again noted, whereby the hourly rate for Clerks on SCP15 increases on 1 April 2017 from £8.717 per hour to £8.873 per hour, equating to an annual salary of £2,306.98 p.a. This increase was approved by the parish council at its meeting on 27 July 2016. The Clerk will notify Thirsk Payroll.

It was resolved to make payment to Pauntley Village Hall of £18.00 for hall hire for the Community Planning Workshop held on 24 January 2017.

A donation of £260 for Pauntley Village Hall from Unite the Union Messier Bugatti Dowty Branch was acknowledged, paid to the Parish Council on behalf of the hall, and it was resolved therefore to make this payment over to Pauntley Village Hall.

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The effectiveness of internal audit was reviewed and the present service was felt to be adequate for the parish council's needs.

It was resolved to appoint Mr Iain Selkirk as internal auditor for the financial year 2016-2017 at a fee of £70.00 (£5.00 owed from last year's overpayment).

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7. TO CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR THE PRIDE OF THE FOREST AWARD

There was discussion of possible nominations for the various categories and it was felt that it might be appropriate to nominate Brian for setting up the coffee mornings on each occasion.

8. TO CONSIDER PROGRESS WITH THE PARISH MAP AND WALKS LEAFLET

This is to be discussed further at the next meeting.

9. TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY-LED PLANNING WORKSHOP HELD ON 24 JANUARY WITH GRCC AND TO CONSIDER AND RESOLVE ON ANY FUTURE ACTIONS

This item will be carried forward to the next agenda, when Councillor Tremain will hopefully be present.

10. TO AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

It was agreed to change the date of the next meeting to Monday 10 April, at 7.45 p.m. in Pauntley Village Hall.

11. TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER URGENT RELEVANT BUSINESS

There was no other urgent relevant business.

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