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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH APRIL AT SMITHSWOOD SPORTS COLLEGE.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT.

Councillor K. Evans. Chairperson of the Council.

Councillor B. Mulready. Vice-Chair.

Councillor A. Follows. F. and G.P. Committee Chair.

Councillor D. Davis. Allotments Committee Chair

Councillor S. Daly. Events Committee Chair.

Councillor L. Brunger.

Councillor. G. Carter.

Councillor D. Cole

Councillor D Evans Minute Taker.

Councillor B. Follows. Tree Warden.

Councillor T. Williams.

Councillor D. Wooley.

Also Present

Councillor J. Kimberley. Borough Councillor. Janet Bradbury- Regeneration Partnership. Gurvinder Sandhu – Regeneration Partnership. Two Police Officers.

7 Members of the public.

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The Chairperson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending.

Apologies

These were received from-

Councillor R. Hall.

Stoneham housing.

The chair also apologised for not issuing an invitation to the Borough Councillors, explaining that it was an oversight on his behalf.

Declarations of interest of items on the Agenda.

Cllr. D. Evans – N.S.V.C.A, Neighbourhood Watch, Regeneration and Seeds of Hope Bowls.

Cllr. A. Follows – Regeneration.

Cllr. B. Follows. – Regeneration.

Cllr. D. Davis – Events and Regeneration.

Cllr. L. Brunger – Regeneration.

Cllr. T. Williams – Allotments, Grant Aid, Regeneration and Events.

Cllr. D. Wooley – Regeneration.

Cllr. G. Carter – Grant Aid and K.E.C.

Cllr. S. Daly. Events and Regeneration.

The Chair asked Council to nominate a member to take the minutes.

It was proposed that Cllr. D. Evans do this by A.F. and seconded by D.D.

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th March 2008.

These were proposed by A.F and seconded by D.C. The minutes were passed.

To Receive a Presentation by the Regeneration Partnership.

The Chair welcomed both Janet Bradbury and Gurvinder Sandhu and invited them to give their presentation.

J.B. Thanked the Council for the invitation. She then proceeded to give a joint presentation with Gurvinder. They showed diagrams and plans for the new properties to be built on Ballard Walk and stated that six properties would also be

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built on Gilson Way. They then asked the Chair if they Could take Questions? The Chair announced public participation would commence.

Numerous questions were asked about the parking on Ballard Walk and Gilson way in relation to the increased volume of cars in an already over parked area. The answer given was that Regeneration had carried out a number of surveys prior to the plans being drawn up. They were happy that the parking spaces they were providing wouldn't add to the existing problems. They had also consulted with the local community and they were happy with the plans.

Comments were made about the volume of cars parked outside the school both before and after the school day; there was no clear access for emergency vehicles at these times. The meeting was informed that the new car park had opened on Monday of this week and that parents had the opportunity of dropping their children off and picking them up at the end of the day. The school were also sending out frequent reminders not to park outside the school. J.B. felt this problem would be resolved by these measures.

The question was asked about parking arrangements for existing residents as the turning circle at the end of the Ballard Walk was being used to park cars overnight as were the pavements. Also what measures were being taken to ensure the children's safety whilst building was taking place? G.S. gave reassurances that the children's safety was paramount. He also said that they would go back and revisit the issue of parking. The Council sort assurances that G.S. would write to them with the results. He <u>promised</u> to do so.

At this point a resident pointed out that there had already been forty minutes of discussion on this item and no other items of public participation had been taken. The Chair said he was going to allow another 15 minutes of public participation for general issues and asked J.B. if they had finished. She said she had and thanked the Council for their time. The Chair thanked Janet and Gurvinder for their presentation and looked forward to their response to the issues raised.

Public Participation.

A further 15 minutes were allowed for this item.

Question – why are you holding your meetings here, they are not accessible for disabled people?

Answer. – At the time these were the only premises we could find, however now

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the new school has been built we have had permission to hold them there.

Question – is it true that the clerk has resigned and is considering a case for constructive dismissal against the Parish Council.

Answer – That is a matter for the Council and the Clerk. Not for the Public arena.

Question- With reference to the work being carried out on the allotments can I ask how much of the £3,000 precepted for the year 2008 has been spent.

Answer – the Chair asked the R.F.O. to answer this. He stated that none of the money from this year's precept had been spent because the new financial year hadn't started when the work was carried out.

P.C. Ben Mayne informed us that he was leaving his current position and introduced his replacement P.C. Martin.

The Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator invited everybody to attend the next meeting on the 15th May2008, at 6.30p.m. at the Pavilions.

The Chair wished Ben well in his new post and said we were sorry to see him go. The Chair then closed public participation.

Reports from the Borough Councillors.

Councillor Kimberley said that regeneration remained a problem. He was pleased to see crime rates were falling. He pointed out the importance of family values.

He also said that the community must motivate itself to solve these problems.

He thanked the council for its time.

Request from Councillor Wooley that Kingshurst Parish Council opposes the proposed development on Ballard Walk and Gilson way.

This was proposed by D.W. and seconded by B.M. and unanimously agreed. Resolved this council will write to the planning department opposing this development.

To accept the recommendations of the Grant Aid Working Party.

After various concerns were resolved, it was proposed by B. M. and seconded by D.C. that these be accepted. Unanimously agreed.

<u>To accept reports from the various Committees.</u>

Cllr A. Follows gave the Finance and General Purposes Committee. He reported that -

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- The committee had agreed the cheques and direct debits be paid.
- It was agreed to transfer £3,500 from the Deposit account to the Current account.
- Council was asked to endorse that the Chair, F. and G.P. Chair and one other councillor be allowed to sign cheques in the interim, with the agreement of the R.F.O. proposed by B.F. and seconded by D.W.
- agreement was sought to write the necessary cheque for W.A.L.C. and the insurance proposed by K.E. seconded by B.F.
- A.F. then asked if we should stay with Npower and there was agreement that we should proposed by S.D. and seconded by D.D.

Allotments Committee.

Report attached.

Events Committee.

Report attached.

To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies.

Cllr. B. Follows (tree warden) reported that she had a very informative meeting in Yorkswood, with a Mr. Farmer. He explained that the reason they had had to cut some healthy trees down was to promote new growth.

B.F. also stated that in order to obtain a Tree Preservation Order the tree had to be under threat. So she recommended that we write to the Pavilion and ask them not to cut the tree down without consulting the Parish Council. Proposed by A.F. and seconded by D.W. Cllr B. Follows asked permission to leave the meeting to take Cllr. L. Brunger home the Council gave its permission.

Cllr. Mulready reported that work on the extension to the runway at the airport would be completed by 2010

Cllr. D. Evans reported that N.S.V.C.A. was still undergoing a period of transition and she would keep everybody informed.

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To agree the time change for the meetings as discussed at the last meeting.

The members were informed that although this had been discussed at the last meeting it hadn't been proposed and seconded. It was proposed that the Full Council Meetings start at 7-15p.m. in future, and that the A.G.M. start a 6-30p.m. Proposed by A.F. and seconded by K.E.

Calendar for 2009 to be distributed at the Christmas Event.

Cllr Daly said she thought it would be a good idea to produce a calendar with all the Councils meeting dates on it. Cllr. Daly said she would try and get some estimates for the project. Council agreed in principal to this. Proposed by D.E. and seconded by B.M. To be followed up at the next Full Council meeting.

Items for the next Agenda will need to be with the Clerk by 30th May 2008 at 10-30a.m.

The next meeting of the Council will be the A.G.M. which is on the 13th May 2008, at 6-30p.m. venue to be decided

N.B. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on the 20th May 2008, at 6-30pm. At Seeds of Hope

Cllr. G. Carter asked permission to leave the meeting. This was given. The meeting ended at 21.25pm Cllr. B. Follows returned. The Chair announced a break prior to the 12a part of the agenda in order to let the public leave.
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