

## Draft Minutes of Horsington Parish Council Meeting

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Margaret's Hall, Horsington

### **Public Forum**

8 cheques amounting to £740.00 for donations to the Play Area project were handed to the Clerk by two members of the public.

Mrs Pyne reported that, with the money that had been raised through donations, the SSDC grant and the money that the Parish Council was contributing, there was enough funds to purchase the larger activity tower (with small roof), grass hopper, and 'dino' springer).

### **County / District Councillors Reports**

Hayward Burt reported that a planning application for 130 houses in Henstridge has been refused by SSDC.

Mr Burt also reported that some people were having problems in contacting Yarlinton Homes and are being directed towards contact through the company's website and this is not always suitable. If Councillors hear of any instances of this they should report it to Mr Burt.

### **110. Members Present and Apologies**

a. Members present: Mrs J Pyne (Chair), I Snowden, Mrs J Hodges, Mrs B Mann, Mrs A Clayton and Mrs D Gray

b. Public present: D Chapman (Clerk), District Councillor District H Burt and 2 members of the public.

c. Apologies: M Tucker & County / District Councillor W Wallace

### **111. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations - none**

### **112. Approve the draft minutes of the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

Proposed by I Snowden and seconded by Mrs A Clayton as a true record.

### **113. Matters arising from minutes**

Clerk reported that the Highways Department intend to repair a pothole near the chicken farm in Marsh Lane during February. I Snowden suggested that the potholes developing between the Half Moon and the A357 could be repaired at the same time. Clerk to contact Highways Department.

### **114. Planning**

#### **Applications:**

17/04776/FUL Mr & Mrs Peter Holmes, 22 Duck Lane, Horsington BA8 0EG – demolish existing store and the erection of a single storey rear extension single storey extension - no objections.

#### **Determinations:**

17/04487/FUL Mr & Mrs Burnett, Cheriton House Cottage, Higher Road, Horsington BA8 0BS – demolish single storey extension and two out buildings and the erection of a two storey extension – granted – noted.

#### **Other:**

A letter from a local resident asking if the Parish Council would support an application for a single storey barn style house. Councillors thought that they would be in favour of such an application in principle but it would depend on the exact details of the application. Councillors also stated that the Parish Council is only a consultee in the planning process and SSDC were the only body who could grant planning permission.

### **115. Finance**

a. **Authorised Cheques** 1083 - £134.40 D Chapman – Clerk's salary January 2018

1084 - £33.60 – H M Revenue & Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary

1085 - £269.00 – S P Collins grass cutting and Cemetery maintenance

1086 - £140.00 – grass cutting

## **b. Monies Received**

£500.00 Clark Foundation – donation for Play Area project

£500.00 Horsington & South Cheriton Villager magazine – donation for Play Area project.

£100.00 South Cheriton Garage – donation for Play Area project.

8 cheques amounting to £740.00 for donations for the Play Area project.

The Parish Council is very grateful for all the generous donations that it has received.

### **116. Play Area**

It was agreed that the larger activity tower (with small roof), grass hopper and 'dino' springer should be ordered for the sum of £12,522 including VAT before the end of January to take advantage of the extra discount that had been offered by the suppliers. It was also agreed that the equipment would be held by the suppliers until the end of March 2018.

Various fund raising options were discussed.

### **117. Cemetery / Church Yard**

Nothing to report.

### **118. Horse Pond**

Nothing to report.

### **119 Footpaths**

Nothing to report

### **120. Newsletter**

It was suggested that an update about the Play Area project should be submitted for the next edition.

### **121. Correspondence**

SSDC – Annual Town / Parish Council meeting – noted

Somerset County Council – estimated costs for the provision of Speed Indicator Devices – it was agreed that the Parish Council would not contribute to this revised scheme.

Somerset Waste Partnership – Newsletter - noted.

The Local Government Boundary Commission - consultation – Hayward Burt reported that the proposal was to reduce the number of Parishes in the Blackmore Vale ward and to reduce the number of district councillors from two to one - noted.

Somerset County Council – Speed Indicator Device results – noted.

Somerset County Council – School Admissions consultation – noted.

### **122. Any other business of importance - none**

Meeting closed 20-45

**Date of next meeting: Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7-30pm**