

PUTTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Puttenham Parish Assembly held on Friday 11th May 2018 in the Marwick Hall

PRESENT Mr J Green (Chairman)
Mr M Blundell-Jones (Vice Chairman)
Mr P Adlam (Councillor)
Mr D Williams (Councillor)
Mrs W Hazzard (Clerk)
Mr T Rooth (GBC Councillor)
7 members of the public

1. The Chairman welcomed all present

2. **APOLOGIES** Mr R Griggs (Councillor)

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 12TH MAY 2017**

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on Friday 12th May were confirmed and signed.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING OF FRIDAY 12TH MAY 2017**

4.1 The bench in memory of Roger Dawe has been purchased and is sited outside the pavilion

4.2 Following the departure of the headteacher we have welcomed the new one and work closely with her

4.3 A letter of thanks was sent to our outgoing County Councillor, Mr George Johnson

4.4 Unfortunately there is nothing that can be done about the cyclists coming through the village

5. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

5.1 Currently attending 2 x bi-monthly meetings as we continue with the neighbourhood plan. There have also been meetings held with Guildford Borough Council in regard to the housing plan

5.2 There are now 10 minutes at the start of parish council meetings for the general public to give us any concerns they have

5.3 As heard in the meeting which preceded this one the neighbourhood plan is now in the draft stage. The committee feel that the village are behind them

5.4 We have fitted a new climbing net in the play area. A stress test is undertaken each month on the equipment and fencing

5.5 The school continue to use the recreation ground for after school clubs and a corner of the bonfire field for their forest school

5.6 The youth club is now in its 11th year and has approximately 40 members. It is well supported by the bonfire committee.

5.7 We have purchased 2 seats for the cemetery with our Grant Aid and there are 2 more to be purchased to replace others in the village. We have also been granted funds for some more grass strimming equipment

5.8 Our application to make the camping barn a community asset failed, however this year we are going to apply for The Good Intent with the consent of Gavin and Kate

5.9 The chairman contacts neighbours of those who have applied for planning permission.

5.10 The chairman thanked all the councillors for their support over the last year.

6. **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

6.1 Mr Blundell-Jones reported on the recreation areas

- The football club have had another successful season. Negotiations for the next season are due to take place
- There were 26 tennis members last year
- The playground is now 20 years old. We have replaced items over time but it is now time to replace the whole park. Working with Verity Cassar to obtain quotes and the most recent is £77,600. Funds will have to be raised as well as applying for grants

- The bonfire celebrates 30 years next year. Donations from the profit last year had been given to Puttenham Youth Club, Puttenham School, Puttenham PSA, Puttenham & Wanborough Community Group, Puttenham & Wanborough History Society and Wanborough Village Hall. They had also been able to donate to Chase, No 5 Homeless shelter and Simons Trust charities as well as Guildford Food Bank. The field is cut ready for the bonfire but then left for the rest of the year to encourage wildlife
- Our contractor who cut the recreation ground, tended the tennis court and pavilion had given his notice. An alternative is being sourced.

A question was asked if the lane at the back of the school could be repaired. Mr Blundell-Jones responded that it is due to have some work done on it.

6.2 There was no report for Puttenham Down, however for the new residents' information Mr Green gave a brief account of its history.

7. FINANCE

7.1 The clerk presented a financial statement for 2017-2018. They have been agreed by the parish council and are due to be sent to the internal auditor. Following new guidelines, they may not always have to be externally audited, however as our income was above £25,000 this year they will have to be. There were no questions from the public.

8. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

8.1 It was suggested that the trees by The Priory and in Lascombe Lane have a TPO on them. Mr Williams agreed that the parish council get a lot of tree planning applications. Mr Rooth responded that if the parish council are concerned when they are received to contact him

8.2 Could a speed camera be put on B3000. It was agreed to take the request to the next parish council meeting.

Thanks were given to the parish council for their work.

9. A.O.B.

9.1 None

10. CLOSING REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN

10.1 The chairman thanked everyone for attending.
There being no more business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm

Signed: M Blundell-Jones
(Chairman)

Date: 10/05/2019