

Sunningdale Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Tuesday 26 May 2015

At 7.30 pm at the Pavilion, Broomhall Lane

- 74/15 **Attendance:** Anne-Catherine Buxton (Chairman), Robin Booth, Michael Burn, Yvonne Jacklin, Rosemarie Nash, Valerie Pike,
Apologies: Lilly Evans
In attendance: Anne Martin
- 75/15 **Induction of new Councillors:**
Yvonne Jacklin and Michael Burn signed their Acceptance of Office forms and were welcomed as Councillors
- 76/15 **Declaration of interest:** there were none
- 77/15 **Approval of Minutes of Council 12 May 2015:**
Several changes were put forward by Cllr RB. Council accepted these changes and once corrected, the Chairman will sign the Minutes AM
- 78/15 **Consideration of name put forward to Council for co-option.**
Mary Sayer's letter and CV were considered and Council was pleased to invite her to become a Councillor. AM
2 vacancies still remain which can be filled by co-option in the 35 day period from the election.
- 79/15 **Adoption of Standing Orders –**
Cllr RB was encouraged to suggest amendments and to complete this in time for ratification by Council in June. RB
- 80/15 **Committees and working groups – to progress formation**
Councillors volunteered for the roles on the various committees, working groups and representatives. These will be subject to change when new Councillors join Council. Cllr ACB is on all committees as a member but will come off some as new people take up roles.
- 81/15 **Review of project list.**
Council commented on status of several projects. A review of the project list was proposed so that Council could focus on where it needed to work more closely with the Borough to ensure a project came to fruition. AM/ACB
It was agreed to review the issues of children walking or cycling to school to see if further improvements could be made. ?
It was agreed to use the A329 phone kiosk as an information centre with leaflets on walks and other useful information. RN/AM
- 82/15 **Village Hall.**
Cllr RB spoke of the successful year the VH had had. It had built up the reserves and had long-term plans for further improvements. The issue of reappointment of trustees had become a contentious issue, and the constitution was not clear on the reappointment of trustees. The 2 nominating bodies, SPC and Holy Trinity church, each put forward 2 names. The church was seeking to put forward a new name to replace another, on the basis of annual reappointment of trustees. Legal advice is being sought

from the Community Council of Berkshire's free legal service, of which the VH is a member, on whether or not they are entitled to do this. The AGM had adjourned without resolving the issue. There has to be a resolution within 3 months. In addition, the constitution will be reviewed and all the stakeholders will be consulted.

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| 83/15 | <p>Recreation Committee.
 Recommendations on fencing repair: Council approved the quotation for £910 and the Clerk should press for a warranty in writing.
 Council approved the second recommendation to resurface 3 areas around the play equipment for £2,295 following the ROSPA recommendation.</p> | <p>AM
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| 84/15 | <p>Planning Committee
 Council considered the letter regarding the planning application 15/01289 for an extension of Holy Trinity church. The letter was amended and approved.</p> | |
| 85/15 | <p>Borough Councillors
 It was agreed that our Borough Councillors, Christine Bateson and Sayonara Luxton, should be invited to attend Council in the near future to meet the new Councillors and discuss forthcoming projects and issues.</p> | <p>AM</p> |
| 86/15 | <p>Question time/</p> | |
| i. | <p>Council gave its approval to LE to write a letter regarding the traffic from the DERA Development.</p> | <p>LE</p> |
| ii. | <p>Councillors were encouraged to activate their Sunningdale Parish email address. Help could be obtained from Brian King</p> | <p>All</p> |
| iii. | <p>Council now operates 2 websites, one for the working documents and the Clerk was asked to look into password protecting the working documents once all Councillors had accessed it. This would be the place where papers for Council meetings and Committee minutes are routinely stored.</p> | |
| iv. | <p>ACB drew attention to the NALC email on the role of NALC in advocating for Parish Councils and the requests for parishes to promote themselves and the work they are doing to improve their areas.</p> | |
| v. | <p>Councillor training – it was agreed to invite Liz Howlett, trainer, to conduct a half-day Councillor training session for all Councillors.</p> | <p>AM</p> |

9.50pm the meeting closed.