

# Sunningdale Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Tuesday 7 July 2015

At 7.30 pm at the Pavilion, Broomhall Lane

- 103/15 **Attendance:** Anne-Catherine Buxton (chair), Anne Brindle, Yvonne Jacklin, Rosemarie Nash, Valerie Pike, Mary Sayer
- Apologies:** Robin Booth, Michael Burn, Lilly Evans
- 104/15 **Declaration of interest:** there were none
- 105/15 **Minutes of Council 9 June and 23 June 2015** were approved and duly signed.  
**Matters arising:** Training with Liz Howlett confirmed for 12 Sept
- 106/15 **Finance:**  
The Clerk's finance report put the case for internet banking, describing the secure processes that remain in place. Council unanimously **approved** that we proceed with Internet banking. VP recorded her reservation on the processes. AM  
Council **approved** the income and expenditure figures for June
- 107/15 **Councillor Luxton** - this item was not taken since Cllr L did not arrive
- 108/15 **Review of Committees, WG, Representatives.** With one or two additions the list of Committees was agreed. Council **approved** Robin Booth and Rosemarie Nash as trustees of the Village Hall and this will be formally communicated to the Secretary of VH Trustees. AM
- 109/15 **Christmas Lights.**  
ACB reported on the 2 quotations for Christmas lights. Council **approved** the quotation from Blanchere for 26 lights, plus 2 lamp lights and the trees amounting to £7,740. We have received a grant from RBWM of £10k to cover the new lights and the rest towards the installation of lights. AM
- 110/15 **Recreation Committee report**  
RN brought the recommendation to purchase a Chest Press & Pull-Down exerciser combo for the playground at the cost of £4,200. This sum would use up the remaining sum in the S106 fund for public open space. The gym equipment proposed complimented the other fitness equipment. Council **approved** the purchase of this equipment. AM
- 111/15 **Parish Conference and Devolution of Services.**  
ACB reported that devolution was a key subject, which was being looked at again following on from the Workshops in January but now funding had been obtained from DGLG for a consultant to talk with Parishes on how service provision could be more effective. The meeting with Karen Morton, Capability Company, had taken place and her report is awaited. Council remained concerned about the standard of work of services such as cleaning. Councillors will continue to work with Borough Officers to get things done and to improve working relationships with them, while pressing for more accountability and more information flow to the PCs about work undertaken.

- 112/15 **Neighbourhood Action Group** – report from Graeme Kennedy.  
Council was pleased to receive this good report from GK, and expressed its thanks. Council is pleased that he will continue to attend NAG meetings.
- 113/15 **Project Committee Minutes and Letter to Mr Phillip Gill**  
Project Committee had looked at the Retail Survey report, and LE had drafted a letter from Council to Mr Gill. With minor changes this was approved by Council and would be sent to Mr Gill and Cllrs Bateson, Luxton and D. Wilson. AM
- 114/15 **Village Hall Trustees update**  
Legal advice from Wendy Dacey, Community Council for Berkshire (CCB) adviser for Village Halls, was that all trustees must retire at every AGM and the nominating bodies put forward names of trustees for the year ahead. RB and RN will be the Parish Council nominated trustees. The way is now open for four nominated trustees to go forward from the EGM on 22 July, at which point Robin Booth will be chairman.
- 115/15 **Questions time and information sharing**
1. Ideas for SPC at Carnival 13 Sept. Following a short discussion on options, all Councillors were asked to put any ideas to the Clerk.
  2. ACB is away until 4 Sept. Yvonne agreed to chair the August meeting.
  3. Parish Newsletter. ACB thanked all those who distributed the Parish Newsletter. People had commented that it was a very good newsletter.
  4. New Official Guide for next year. Council felt it was a good idea to do a new one for 2016 and Cllrs were invited to volunteer. Having a date on it has made it feel out of date more quickly. Too many had been printed in 2014.
  5. Petition to bring the weight restriction over the Chobham Road be reduced from 18 tonne to 7.5 tonne. Council approved the wording of the petition but we would check out whether names and addresses were required. Councillors agreed to help distribute this and get signatures.
  6. CIL paper – comments received from YJ, but comments awaited from MS and RB

Council ended at 9.25pm