

# Sunningdale Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council

**Tuesday 8 December 2015**

**At 7.30 pm at the Pavilion, Broomhall Lane**

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**Attendance:**

Anne-Catherine Buxton : **ACB** - Robin Booth : **RB** - Lilly Evans : **LE**  
Julian Goringe : **JG** - Yvonne Jacklin : **YJ** - Valerie Pike : **VP**

The Chairman announced that Rosemarie Nash has resigned with effect from this date. Council thanked her for her wonderful work and especially for all her work on the Christmas event. Rosemarie Nash had agreed to stay on as Trustee of the Village Hall. Council will reallocate responsibilities to take over her roles. **YJ** agreed to a signatory on the bank account.

**ACB**  
**AM**

**Apologies:** Anne Brindle, Michael Burn, Mary Sayer

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**Declaration of interest:** There were none

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**Approval of Minutes of Council 10 November.** Two errors would be amended before the Minutes were signed.

**Matters arising:** The meeting on the IT strategy remained outstanding. **JG** agreed to join the group reviewing the strategy, and **LE** agreed to convene the meeting by Feb/March 2016 as the annual review.

It was noted that all Council and Planning meetings dates are on the website.

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**Finance:** The report was received.

Council agreed to insert an additional window in the refreshment chalet to allow Simon Grassi to trial his ideas for a tennis club and this includes using the kitchen facilities in the chalet during the winter months. . The use of the chalet by Simon would be discussed with Monika in a review of her agreement for 2016.

**AM**

**AM/ACB**

**Income and expenditure figures were approved.**

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**Budget 2016-17.**

The budget was presented along with points clarified in the Clerk's report and the Finance Committee Minutes. Council approved the recommendation to raise the Precept to £91,500 which will have the net effect on the Band D resident of increasing the charge by 10p to £27.80.

Council **approved** the increase in the tennis courts rent of £50 per court per year. Council **resolved** to approve the draft budget subject to any further changes brought to the January meeting.

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**Governance**

Council **resolved** unanimously to adopt the Code of Conduct based on the NALC template.

Regarding the proposed changes to the Standing Orders, several points were raised by the Councillors. Therefore all were asked to send in their comments to the Clerk by the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 which would then be reviewed by the Projects Committee and return to Council.

Council **resolved**

- 1) To adopt the NALC co-option Policy and

2) To give the Chairman authority to conduct an initial interview, along with one other Councillor to see whether the candidate meets the criteria set out in the Co-option policy and then report back to Council.

163/15 **Christmas Event 4 December.**

Council considered the various positive comments on the event, including how outstanding the new lights are, the positive feedback from the Police and from others on the different aspects of the events such as the reindeers, Father Christmas, Coworth Park food, the choirs and Martha Collison who switched on the lights.

On the downside, there was a lack of people at the Waitrose end and where the publicity for this could have been better and potentially started earlier. There will be a 'wash up' meeting where these points will be properly recorded. A financial report will come to the next meeting.

164/15 **Proposal for Community Facilities Fund**

Council **resolved** in principle to replacing the garage having first demolished the existing garage and to erect a new canopy over the walkway between the Pavilion and the new garage. The price should not exceeding £13,000 plus 10% contingency.

Council also **approved** the quote of £400 for cutting down of the conifer hedge and grinding out the stumps though this is not to be actioned immediately.

Ideas for CCTV or a gym will come back to a future Council with proper quotes.

165/15 **Parish Council Committees**

**Finance Committee** draft minutes were received. Many points concerning the draft budget had been raised on item 161 - see above. The future change to Audit Regime was noted.

**Recreation Committee** draft Minutes were received. Council **resolved** to purchase the Dragon Challenge to complete the toddler area costing £2475 plus installation, using available S106 money.

Council **resolved** to set up arrangements with Little Muddy Boots for outdoor learning sessions at the Rec.

T166/15 **Effective Parish Council.**

Council **agreed** to a proposed workshop with Karen Morton on how to use time more effectively and get the best out of Council. A mutually acceptable date would be arrived at by Doodle bug in late January.

**AM**  
**JG**

167/15 **Information Sharing**

**Devolution workshop** – feedback from this workshop will be brought to the next Council meeting due to lack of time.

**LE** spoke on RBWM Cabinet meeting on the Chobham Road Weight Petition. This item would be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

**VP** attended the Waste Management Forum and has circulated information on what is being achieved.

**VP** attended the Charters Open Forum. A report will be circulated to attendees.

There was an update on Magnolia House.  
The meeting closed at 9.59pm

