

ST STEPHEN IN BRANNEL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held in the Brannel Room, Fore Street, St Stephen on Wednesday 23rd November 2016 at 7.30p.m.

Present: Chairman: Cllrs Mrs Allsopp
Vice Chair: Cllr D Simpson
Messer's: Cllrs R Allsopp, McLening, Sibley and Wonnacott MBE
Mesdames:

In Attendance: Verna Hedley – Clerk, Linda Ranger Deputy Clerk and Cllr Mills.

Cllr Mrs Allsopp welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded Members that, if they intended to participate in the meeting, they could be recorded, photographed, filmed or otherwise reported about.

F71/16 Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Coles.

F72/16 Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest or hospitality or gifts over the value of £10.

F73/16 Dispensations:

There were no dispensation requests.

F74/16 Public Participations:

There were no members of the public present.

F75/16 Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

It was

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28th September 2016 be adopted and signed as a true and accurate record.

F76/16 Matters Arising (for information only):

1. The resurfacing of The Square had been completed.
2. F68/16 – Costs of signage regarding the public car park were still awaited.
3. F69/16 – The Lanjeth notice board had been removed and repaired. Contact had been made with Lanjeth Memorial Hall and permission had been given for the board to be put on the gable end facing the car park entrance.

F77/16 Payment of Accounts:

There were no payments to authorise.

F78/16 Quarterly Accounts:

RESOLVED to approve the second quarter accounts as presented.

F79/16 Grant Applications:

RESOLVED to recommend that the following grants be approved.:-

St Stephen-in-Brannel Community News - £500 (Power of Competence).

Foxhole Village Green - £1,500 (LGA 1976 s19 Misc. Prov.).

F80/16 Interim Audit Report.:

Members discussed the report received from the auditor. The Clerk advised that the recommendation regarding the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders being harmonised had been actioned. Members **RESOLVED** to accept the interim report. The comments regarding an accounting system capable of producing income and expenditure accounts were acknowledged but it was felt a change was not required at this time. Members would continue to monitor the situation.

F81/16 Budget 2017/2018:

Members discussed the draft budget in depth and it was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council that the budget, as amended, be approved.

F82/16 Precept:

RESOLVED to recommend to Full Council that a precept of £185,510 for the financial year 2017-18 be approved.

Members gave a vote of thanks to Cllr Mrs Allsopp and the Clerk for their excellent work in producing another budget which was clear and concise.

F83/16 Information & Answers (For Information only):

There was nothing to report under this item.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

Recommendations:

1. That the following grants be approved.

St Stephen-in-Brannel Community News - £500 (Power of Competence).

Foxhole Village Green - £1,500 (LGA 1976 s19 Misc. Prov.).

2. That the Budget for 2017-18 be approved as presented.

3. That a Precept of £185,510 for 2017-18 be approved.