

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Harvey(Chairman), Ms Doman, Horner, Marshall, Payne and Walsby.

**Officer:** Stephen Hedges

028/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Howes, Howes, Jones, O'Brien and Varrall

029/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Harvey declared an interest as a member of the Management Committee for the Community Centre.

030/17 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present.

031/17 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT**

The Borough Councillors had submitted their apologies.

032/17 **MINUTES**

i) Annual Parish Council Meeting – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

***RESOLVED:** THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT OF TITLE TO INCLUDE "ANNUAL"*

ii) Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017

***RESOLVED:** THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED*

033/17 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

An update was given on the progress of the new Banking arrangements.

034/17 **CORRESPONDENCE**

i) Cox Green Community Centre (Trustees) – Appointment to Management Committee: It was noted that the Trustees had invited the Council to appoint members to the Management Committee of the Community Centre. It was agreed that subject to confirming the terms of office, the principle could be supported.

ii) BALC – Training Programme Autumn 2017: Details of upcoming training events were presented to the meeting. It was agreed that the Clerk would enrol for the CiLCA training ahead of seeking the qualification and that the costs would be met from the training budget. It was also agreed that the Clerk would attending the GDPR briefing event.

It was suggested that if any Members wished to attend any of the other events that they should contact the Office to make the arrangements.

035/17 **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- i) **Planning Committee**  
The Committee's Monitoring Report was noted.
- ii) **Traffic and Pedestrian**  
The Committee's Monitoring report was noted.
- iii) **Environment Committee**  
It was noted that the Environment Committee had requested that the Traffic and Pedestrian Committee monitor the Ockwells Bus pilot trial.

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**ITEMS RAISED BY MEMEBERS**

- i) **Cllrs Ms Doman - Food Bank**  
Background to this item explained. It was reported that the Food Bank collection point was currently at the Cox Green Community Centre. The Meeting was informed that usage of the facility was on the increase and that the anticipation was that it will continue to increase due to food prices increasing at the moment.

Discussion took place regarding the support that the Council may be able to provide including possible funding towards room hire costs associated with the distribution.

It was also suggested that a donation point was required in Cox Green and it was agreed to approach the Co-Op after speaking to the Food Bank Trustees.

- ii) **Cllr Marshall – “Where next for Localism”**  
Cllr. Marshall explained the background, including devolution items. The question was asked does the Parish Council have an appetite to address this? Discussion took place including the issue of double taxation and that clearly a process was needed to demonstrate transparency. It was agreed to explore this further and establish if the Borough Council was keen to look at this. It was also agreed that this point should be raised at the upcoming meeting with Cllr Bateson.

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**BIG SOCIETY/DEVOLUTION**

Discussed in previous item.

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**FINANCE**

- i) **Expenditure List**

**RESOLVED: THAT THE EXPENDITURE LIST BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.**

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**REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**White Waltham Airfield Consultative Committee**

There was no further report.

*The meeting concluded at 8.25 p.m.*

*Signed as a true record of the meeting .....*  
*Councillor Harvey, Chairman.*