

Hemblington Parish Council

Minutes of the Hemblington Parish Council Meeting held at Heathlands Community Centre on Monday 28th November 2016 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Present – Anthony Howe (Chair), George Pickersgill, Andrew Burtenshaw, Bryan Slater, Paul Fox and Steven Ford (Clerk)

1. Welcome and Introduction to the meeting by Anthony Howe who expressed a special welcome to the five residents of Pedham and Mr Goodenough.
2. **TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND AGREE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS**
None.
3. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**
3.1. None.
4. **OPEN FORUM - FOR PARISHIONERS TO RAISE QUESTIONS ON AND/OR MAKE STATEMENTS ABOUT MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**
4.1. Residents of Pedham requested that the parish council took the opportunity to adopt the BT telephone kiosk at Pedham. The group had formed informally to take forward proposals for its future use and maintenance if adopted. It was envisaged that it could be used as a community information point with a village story board, library and house a defibrillator. The group was willing to undertake fundraising and to assist with its maintenance.
4.2. Mr Goodenough drew attention to the need for treatment of the parish bench. Mr B. Slater offered to have a look and bring proposals for treatment of the bench to the next meeting.
5. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28th November 2016.**
5.1. The council resolved to approve the minutes and they were duly signed by the chair as a true record.
6. **TO REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**
6.1 None.
7. **CONSULTATION FROM BT RE REMOVAL OF PHONEBOX AT PEDHAM ROAD, CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING BY THE PARISH.**
It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the telephone kiosk for community use and it would be added to the insurance policy when purchased.
8. **CUTTONS CORNER?HEMBLINGTON HALL ROAD FOOTPATH**
It was noted that the Public Right of Way was being churned up by horses which was making the path very muddy and difficult to use. Highways would be contacted to ask for advice on how the problem should be tackled and dealt with.
9. **PLANNING**
No planning applications had been received.
9.1 Enforcement cases open and closed November 2016 – None.
10. **TO APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT**
The Council unanimously resolved to approve the payment of all invoices presented for payment in Appendix 1. Clerk to action.
10.1 Bank statements for September and October and no outstanding unpaid cheques were noted.
10.2 Parish Precept for Financial Year 2017/2018 for consideration – **AGREED** to make a decision at the January meeting.

10.3 Information that no Audit Fee would payable for year ending 2017 was noted.

11. UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED VILLAGE SIGN

11.1. Advice on how to progress construction of the sign had been obtained from the Village Sign Society. It was **AGREED** that members would look at other village signs for guidance on how they had been made.

12. REQUEST FOR DONATION

12.1 A letter of thanks for from Hemblington PCC for the donation of £500 was noted.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

BT telephone kiosk adoption, parking issues Blofield Street, co-option of two new members.

14. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

14.1. Monday 27th March 2017 at Heathlands Community Centre at 7:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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