Payhembury Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 9th July 2014 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

- 1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs Leach, Fowler, Cllr Diviani and PC Vickery
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed as correct.
- 3. Public Session: none
- 4. Police Report: PSCO Anning confirmed there were no crimes to report since the last meeting. He wished to draw attention however to the recent change in dog legislation which means that dog owners are now responsible for their dog's behaviour on their own property. If a person who is legitimately on your property is injured by your dog, you could be prosecuted. Clerk to place an article in the Parish Paper outlining this new legislation.
- 5. County Council report: Update in relation to Uggaton Cross road closure as below.
- 6. District Council report: nothing to report. Is fully behind the Parish Council's campaigns for Uggaton Cross & the Village pavement.
- 7. Matters Arising: Uggaton Cross. DCC Highways had been in touch and confirmed that would be putting this repair work forward as part of the £9.1m extra funding released for pot holes. The application will be reviewed on 21st July and we should hear soon after that. If successful, Clerk to chase DCC Highways for a timetable (for surveys, licences involved etc) to ensure the work has been completed before November when work would have to stop due to the badgers. If the application is not successful, Cllr Skinner suggested the Council ask questions of DCC's proposed status for the road. Clerk to find out status of a 'green lane', what liability it has etc.

Village Pavement. DCC Highways once again confirmed that funding is not available. Cllr Diviani has offered to assist via his locality fund, but additional funding would also be required. Clerk to contact Sulina Tallack (EDDC) to ask if there is any Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), roof Tax or S106 money from developments within the Parish.

Clerk also to remind Tom Vaughan that we are waiting for the breakdown of costs involved. PC Anning suggested the Council write to the Chief Constable to outline safety concerns and to ask if there is anything the local police could do due to the previously raised concerns regarding speed of traffic and parking.

Mousehole. Richard Hosegood, DCC Highways has indicated he would prefer to visit the site after poor weather. The Council agreed they would prefer him to visit during the dry weather to see the impact the water is having on the road. Before arranging a visit, it was suggested the sleepers be put in place to fill the hedge gap where the water and stones are entering the road. Clerk to contact ClIr Leach regarding the sleepers, ClIr Disney happy to assist.

Parishes Together. Cllr Somers reported on the session spent eradicating the Japanese Knotweed with Broadhembury Parish Council. Another session is planned for mid-August, date to be confirmed.

Clerk updated the meeting of Plymtree Parish Council's proposal for the next round of Parishes Together funding. Clerk to circulate details to the Council. Cllr Williams suggested Parishes combining their funding pots to allow each parish to gain one year on a rota from a larger pot of money. Clerk to contact EDDC.

Little Fort. At the last meeting it was asked when the solar panels were to be established on the roof of Little Fort (the reason why the thatch was replaced). The planning permission was in fact for solar tiles which is why panes have not appeared. It is to be presumed the roof tiles are said solar tiles.

8. Planning:

App number	Property	Details	Decision
14/1386/PMB	Barn NE of	Prior notification application for	Pending consideration
	Langaton House,	change of use of agricultural	
	Lower Tale	building to a dwelling	

9. Finance: One of the internal audit recommendations had been to present each meeting with improved budgetary information. Lorinda Perry has kindly worked up a spreadsheet in order to assist with this reporting. The meeting thanked Lorinda for her work in this area. It was suggested the 'actual' column be changed to 'spend to date'.

	Year 2014/2015					
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	Difference £	Difference %		
Receipts						
Precept	£ 4,987.50	£ 2,529.38	-£ 2,458.12	-49%		
Grants	£ 159.60	£ 65.50	-£ 94.10	-59%		
Others	£ -	£ -	£ -			
C&E Receipts	£ -	£ 633.87	£ 633.87			
Total	£ 5,147.10	£ 3,228.75	-£ 1,918.35	-37%		
Payments						
Clerk's Salary	£ 1,250.00	£ -	-£ 1,250.00	-100%		
Admin	£ 861.98	£ 581.07	-£ 280.91	-33%		
S137 Payments	£ -	£ -	£ -			
Running Costs	£ 954.72	£ 483.78	-£ 470.94	-49%		
Other Payments	£ 17.00	£ 145.47	£ 128.47	756%		
Grants	£ 420.00	£ -	-£ 420.00	-100%		
VAT	£ 110.86	£ 116.97	£ 6.11	6%		
Total	£ 3,614.56	£ 1,327.29	-£ 2,287.27	-63%		
BALANCE	£ 1,532.54	£ 1,901.46	£ 368.92	24%		
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Bank Statement – balance as at 30th June 2014: £4,744.79

		Receipts	Payments	Balance
	Bal brought forward			5,564.07
06.05.14	Chq 532 EDDC Dog Bins		84.00	
07.05.14	Chq 531 Smiths Gore (playing fields rent)		132.50	
23.05.14	Chq 530 Parish Hall rent		63.00	
05.06.14	Chq 535 C. Fowler (Christmas lights)		104.88	
09.06.14	Chq 533 Smith of Derby (Church clock service)		297.60	
11.06.14	Chq 534 DALC (subs)		137.30	
				4,744.79
Unpresented cheques	AON Insurance		398.39	
	Western Power		174.56	
	N Power (Tel. Box)		39.94	
Actual Total				4131.90

Invoices to pay: Clerk expenses: £74.80

- 10. Village Green fencing: The posts for the village green are now ready very many thanks to Luton Saw Mills for this generous donation. It was suggested that perhaps the posts should be placed in metal sleeves before being dug in to slow down the rotting process. It was decided this would not be necessary as it makes it more difficult to remove the posts if ever required. Clerk to ask ALP Maintenance to replace the posts.
- 11. Waterloo Plot: Cllr Disney to dig out roots when he next has a digger close by. Once informed of the date, the Clerk will inform all Councillors as any assistance would be useful. Telephone Box. Stephen Guy, EDDC Planning had informed the Council that as the box is listed, it would not be beneficial to remove it to repair it. Clerk to provide more details of costs and outline that the PC cannot afford to renovate the box any other way. Include pictures to show state of decay. Ask for advice on a course of action amounting to the same price.
- 12. PC Assets. Cllr Williams is now checking the PC Assets monthly as a result of an Internal Audit recommendation. All as per previous month's reports.
- 13. Open Projects: The Clerk ran through the list of Open Projects. It was recommended the date of when the project was first 'opened' be added to the report each meeting. Cllr Doble asked that Plans and Policies be added to the Open Projects list what policies the PC has.

The next meeting of Payhembury Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 10th
September 2014 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.