Minutes of Haresfield Parish Council Meeting

Held in the Village Hall on Monday August 5th 2019

Present: Councillors Charlotte Tilsley, Fiona Bevan, Sue Thorpe

Clerk: M J King email: haresfieldpc@gmail.com

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Apologies: councillor Jenny Knight, County Councillor Stephen Davies, District Councillor Dave Mossman

Election of officers: Due to a procedural error, the election of officers was re-held.

- Appointment of temporary Chair of the meeting: Cllr Sue Thorpe was nominated temporary Chair Cllr
 Sue Thorpe took the Chair
- 2. Elect a Chair of the Council: Cllr Charlotte Tilsley was nominated as chair and unanimously elected
- 3. Declaration of Acceptance of Office: Cllr Charlotte Tilsley swore her declaration of acceptance of office
- 4. Elect a Vice Chair of the Council: Cllr Fiona Bevan was nominated by Cllr Thorpe and seconded by Cllr Tilsley
- 5. Declaration of Acceptance of Office: Cllr Fiona Bevan swore her declaration of acceptance of office

Election of new parish councillors: Two new parish councillors were co-opted onto the council. Maxine Bailey was proposed as a councillor by Fiona Bevan, seconded by Charlotte Tilsley. Nic Stoneman was proposed as a councillor by Sue Thorpe, seconded by Fiona Bevan. This brings us to our quota of six parish councillors for the first time in some years.

We are delighted to welcome Nicki and Maxine onto the parish council. It was noted that the telephone numbers of all parish councillors is required to be displayed and will be updated on the PC notice board outside the village hall and the village website.

Langet Covert: The PC has been approached by Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust who have a project running in the Gloucester Tributaries/ Stroud area looking to implement natural flood management measures. They believe that Langet Covert could be a good location for this and further analysis of the woodland is planned to determine whether this is the case.

Land at East Qued business park/St. Modwen site: Several comments have been received regarding the scale of the buildings at the site. Cllr Tilsley is investigating the terms of planning that were given, and any mitigation that was agreed.

Incinerator / Javelin Park: The first firing of the plant took place between 6-9 July, with no problems reported. Applications to the UBB grant fund have closed, and a total of six have been submitted from Haresfield Parish. The first of a series of meetings of the grant awarding committee has been held and letters will be sent to applicants for further clarification and information where necessary. As previously advised, decisions will be made in September and applicants notified individually.

Village Hall & village maintenance: The submission of two grants to SDC has been successful. The 'weed, feed and seed' gardening team have been awarded £200 to purchase plants and the same amount awarded to purchase an apple press. The latter will be in operation in the village hall for people to bring surplus fruit to juice. Further details will be advertised.

Hunts Grove: The conclusion of the Community Governance Review is that Hunts Grove will form a single parish by separating part of the parish of Hardwicke and Haresfield. The reorganisation order will be published in October and elections to the new parish council will occur at the next ordinary elections in May 2020.

Highways: The drains throughout the parish have been cleaned out and we plan to book the road sweeper. Councillor Bevan has been in negotiation with Daniel Tiffney, GCC highways, to paint further white 'H' markings as requested by parishioners. The subject of speeding has again been raised and further negotiations with Highways and other bodies are to be considered.??

Planning: The parish council has no objection to the following applications:

S.19/1540/LBC: Starsmead Farm, Haresfield, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. Application Type: Listed Building Application Description: Demolition of existing outbuilding and conversion to annexe for elderly relative, together with associated application S.19/1539/FUL: Starsmead Farm, Haresfield. Application Type: Full Planning Application Description: Demolition of existing outbuilding and conversion to annexe.

S.19/1244/HHOLD Location: The Old Bakehouse, Colethrop, Haresfield. Application Type: Householder Application Description: Erection of single storey rear extension to provide therapy pool.

Village events: The cake sale held at the hall during the 5k race organised by Ultrathon raised £91.25 towards village hall funds. Norman and Anne, the organisers are keen to keep this a community event and have kindly offered support to renovate the hall through a runner's fee. A Harvest Supper is planned for October – notices and tickets will be available shortly.

Finance & Clerks Report: Clerk reported that the VAT reclaim was progressing. The following payments were agreed and authorised by councillors:

M King	stationery	£36.00 (cheque no.400732)
PATA	payroll service	£12.75 (cheque no.400733)
M King	Clerk salary	£1,032.25 (cheque no.400734)
Mrs U Jeakins	Herald printing	£18.00 (cheque no.400735)

Any other business:

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.32 pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 30th September 2019