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**DANEHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

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Absent: D. Birchell (DB), G.Powell (GP) and R. Lewis (RL).

In addition, there were also members of the public present.

Emma Fulham Clerk to the Council was in attendance.

The Chairperson of the Parish Council for the meeting (AG), opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

**Report from Cllr Galley:** He reported on the funding cuts especially to adult social care. Cuts would be to the legal limit and the voluntary and charitable sector would need to pick up some of the non-legal duties from the County Council.

He reported on the refuse issues with Kier. A meeting had been held with Kier and WDC was providing support and there were actions in place to promote driver retention.

The Local Plan was agreed by the Council and would be going out to consultation.

Cllr Galley answered questions on grass cutting – ESCC was providing their legal duty and further cuts could have been paid for at Parish Level.

He also outlined the housing allocations for the Parish – There was dismay from the Council this had not been outlined previously so the Parish Questionnaire could have encompassed more.

**Report from Cllr Roundell:** Apologies received.

**Public:**

Concerns were raised over the Memorial Hall and the future of badminton in the hall. The Hall Committee representatives reported the lines would be reinstated after the floor replacement was completed and the Council reiterated the Hall Committee should listen to user groups.

The public meeting closed at 8:10pm and the Parish Council meeting commenced.

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1. To accept apologies and reason for absence.

D. Birchell (DB) – Work

G.Powell (GP) - Work

R. Lewis (RL) – Work

1. To receive Declarations of pecuniary and declarable Interests from members in respect of any matter on the agenda.

The Chair reminded Cllrs to declare when necessary.

1. To approve as a true record and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 20th June 2018.

**Proposed by TB seconded by NM and unanimously approved and signed as a true record.**

1. To deal with matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 20th June 2018.

None

1. Correspondence List.

This had been duly circulated – grass cutting was a regular complaint. The Clerk would chase ESCC for work on the sight lines. The Clerk would also add this to a future agenda for the Council to consider additional spending on grass cutting in future years.

New correspondence was noted from Lindfield Youth Football group to use the Rec and pavilion – This request was approved.

1. Finance.
2. To report on account year to date 2018/19.

This had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were no further questions.

1. To approve Payment schedule.

**This was approved unanimously for £3807.40**

1. To ratify Finance Committee Minutes.

**Unanimously ratified.**

1. To accept Bank Reconciliation and Risk Assessment.

**Both were unanimously accepted by the Council having been approved and signed off at the Finance Committee meeting.**

1. To consider proposals for the parish telephone boxes.

The Council considered the options available and the Clerk provided some information on likely costs.

**It was agreed CC would liaise with the Clerk and revert to the Council with a proposal in due course.**

1. To consider proposal for the centenary of the end of WW1.

The Clerk outlined the circulated options and examples of other plans.

**It was agreed that TB would liaise with the vicar and the History Society to bring a proposal for the Council to consider in September.**

1. To receive update on facilities review.

There was a discussion on whether a plan was needed first or to first hire a professional advisor to the Hall Committee to advise on a plan.

The Committee were encouraged to accept user groups feedback and to segregate duties between the committee and working group.

**The Council agreed to review financial assistance to the Committee to employ a professional advisor when the plan had progressed further and reiterated the advice to provide a full vision for the works and not revert with a simple upgrade.**

1. To receive reports from Parish Councillors

CC – reported on the Conservators meeting on 27th June. DPC was thanked for the leaflet grant and she reported on the developments at the Forest Centre. Fire risks with the hot weather and better fencing than the invisible options were also reviewed with the increase planned to forest grazing.

CC – reported the 22nd September for the next market she needs volunteers from 11-1pm.

CC – reported on need for more volunteer drivers for Weald link.

TB – reported on the inspections on steps and handrails at the burial ground by the contractor who met the Clerk and him on site. The handrail would be modified, and minor repairs undertaken.

The wall could be repaired, and slabs replaced in part with the work guaranteed for a year. The Clerk had investigated an alternative using quarried stone, but this would involve additional cost and a formal proposal was awaited. RW asked if he could also investigate alternatives.

**It was agreed to review the proposals in September.**

TB – reported on the local plan with a possible housing allocation of 21 in Danehill and 5 in Chelwood Common plus additional employment provision of 2,049 square metres of Mixed B Use Floorspace.

NM – reported he was awaiting ESCC approval of the contractor and revised posts.

RW – reported on newsletter issues and the commencement of the library.

1. Matters to report and for consideration at future meetings.

None

1. To consider planning applications.

Application No. WD/2018/0892/F

Location: HEATHERDELL, ISLE OF THORNS LANE, CHELWOOD GATE, HAYWARDS HEATH, RH17 7LA Description: SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION

**The Parish Council support the application subject to any neighbours’ concerns.**

Date of next meetings:

Planning 12th September 2018 9:30pm – Committee Room

Parish Council Meeting 26th September 2018 7:30pm – Chelwood Gate Village Hall

**Meeting closed at 9:50pm**