

SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 30th January 2018 at Seend Community Centre.

Present: Mrs G A'Bear, Mrs P Akerman, Mrs A Heatley, Mr T James, Mrs J McManus, Mrs C Vince, Mr J Williams and Mr M Wiltshire.

Also present: Councillor Seed, Mrs Sue Bond (Clerk), Mr George Clarke (Chairman of the Seend CLT Steering Committee), Mrs Jo Vaux, Mr Steve Vaux and Mr John Goman.

Agenda Item		Action
2018/159 Confirmation of Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman	<p>Mr James started the meeting with an explanation of why an extraordinary meeting was held on 18th December. This was so that Councillors could elect a new Chairman and Vice Chairman, following the resignations of Mr Murch, Mr Wood and Mr Haines. As there was no normal Council meeting in December, Councillors felt there was a need to elect a new Chairman and Vice Chairman quickly to ensure stability and continuity, but with the proviso that the election would be confirmed at the January meeting.</p> <p><u>Resolution:</u> The Clerk asked if there was a proposer and seconder to confirm Mr James as Chairman. Mrs A'Bear proposed and Mrs Vince seconded the election of Mr James as Chairman. All Councillors voted in favour.</p> <p><u>Resolution:</u> Mrs Akerman proposed and Mr Wiltshire seconded the election of Mrs Heatley as Vice-Chairman. All Councillors voted in favour.</p> <p>The new Chairman thanked Mr Tony Murch and Mr Mark Wood for their dedicated and tireless work they carried out on behalf of the Parish Council and the Seend Parish. Both had been on the Parish Council for a number of years. The Chairman also thanked Mr Nick Haines for his contribution to the Parish Council and the Clerk for her continuing support.</p>	
2018/160 Apologies for Absence	There were no apologies for absence	
2018/ Declaration of Lobbying (i) Declaration of changes to the Register of Interests (ii) Declaration of interest in items on the Agenda (iii) Requests for Dispensation	<p>(i) There were no declarations of changes to the Register of Interests.</p> <p>(ii) Mrs Vince declared an interest in Agenda item 8, Planning Application 18/00822/TCA.</p> <p>(iii) There were no requests for dispensations.</p>	
2018/161 Police Matters	<p>During December, in Police area ED13 (Seend, Bulkington, Poulshot, Keevil, Semington, Great Hinton, Steeple Ashton), there were 13 reported crimes: 5 thefts, 4 reports of criminal damage and 3 reports of violence.</p> <p><u>Crimes in Seend Parish reported in December 2017</u> 20th Male arrested for drink driving in Seend 22nd Male arrested for drink driving on Bell Hill.</p> <p>Mrs Heatley also reported a night time disturbance in Dial Close on 13th December that resulted in damage to a garage door.</p> <p>PCSO Maggie Ledbury is still our local Police Contact.</p> <p>Newsletter can be found on Parish Council website.</p>	
2018/162 Local Councillor Matters	<p>Councillor Seed said it was very sad to see Tony Murch leave the Parish Council and wanted to add his thanks to Tony for his diligent and dedicated service that he had given to the Parish. He spoke of the excellent working relationship they had on dealing with Parish matters. With the resignation also of Mark Wood, the Parish Council had lost two excellent Councillors.</p> <p>Councillor Seed said that Wiltshire Council was in budget planning mode. There will be a 5.99% increase in the 2018-19 Council tax. The Government funding is falling each year. Wiltshire Council gets 33% of the local rates, less than other regions. As one of the more successful Councils, it subsidises some of the poorer regions of the country.</p>	

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