

**Minutes of Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> January Penton Village Hall 7.30pm**

<b>Present: Councillors</b>	<b>Clerk / RFO</b>	<b>Members of the Public</b>
Stephen Millen - Chairman Victoria Whitelegge Kevin Briant Heather Carrick Hugh Burden	Nanette Colbourne	
<b>Apologies:</b> Rodney Bennett;		

- 001/17      The Minutes of the last meeting for approval  
The minutes were approved and signed.
  
- 002/17      Declarations of Interest  
None.
  
- 003/17      Planning applications received and circulated for review since last meeting:  
None
  
- 004/17      Planning applications to review:  
**16/03210/FULLN Hillside.** New Garage.  
NO OBJECTION.
  
- 005/17      Updates:  
**Nelson site.**  
The issues of breach of planning and further construction at this site will be escalated to Borough and District councilors for their assistance  
  

**Andover Business Park (Goodman Estates Lt)**  
The Planning application for the Modification of the planning obligation associated with Planning Permission **09/02392/OUTN** by removal of Part II of Schedule 6 regarding HCV Traffic Demand Management systems was given PERMISSION by the Planning Control Committee on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016  
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The planning obligation concerning the barred routes on the local road network remains unchanged. The camera systems for the TDMS were not working for over two years.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**

- 001/17      Chairman's Remarks & Requests for Absences.  
Requests were made by Cllr Burden for the next two meetings and from Cllr Whitelegge for the 27<sup>th</sup> March meeting
  
- 002/17      Minutes of the last meeting for approval.  
The minutes were approved and signed.

003/17          Declarations of Interest.  
Cllr Millen left the room for the discussions concerning Blacksmith Lane

**Items for discussion and consideration:**

004/17          Precept / 2017 Budget discussion.  
Spreadsheets were distributed for the Budget and financials for the year were reviewed.  
The budget for 2017/8 was unanimously approved.  
It was unanimously approved to raise the Precept by the sum of £2,000. This being the first increase for 7 years.

If no increase was made then the amount after all money is accounted for does not leave sufficient to spend out on any projects.  
It was pointed out by the Clerk that we did not have bank reserves at the end of each financial year such as other adjoining parishes.

005/17          Annual Litter Pick date and arrangements  
The dates for the litter pick were agreed for the 19<sup>th</sup> February and 26<sup>th</sup> if bad weather. The Clerk will action flyers.

**Post Meeting Note:**

A request has been made to the Clerk to hold a village pond clean up by volunteers as the pond is in urgent need of some clearing whilst the water level is down.

Action:          The Clerk to issue a flyer.

006/17          Newbury Hill Planting update on review of plants  
The review has identified 111 tubes and posts are required for the plants that are growing out of the original tubes. 30 new plants are required. Weed treatment for the plants is also required.  
The Clerk will obtain quotations. The groundsman that actioned the strimming has allocated the 17<sup>th</sup> February to undertake the work.  
It was approved that the costs should be spent in order to maintain this area.

007/17          Phone Box removal  
This is scheduled for the end of January. It was agreed that no action should be taken at the present time with regard to the possibility of a street light on this corner.

008/17          Community Speed Watch update  
An adjoining parish has advised of a SID that may be available for renting short term whilst we obtain our funds. It was unanimously agreed that although this offer will be investigated we have been advised not to use any 'speed gun' equipment by the Police. The clerk will investigate further  
The clerk will seek local business support for funding.  
A flyer will be actioned to request donations from the residents.

Cllr Briant informed that there was an issue with using the telegraph pole outside Pond View. This was disappointing as this was the first choice of site.  
Action:          Cllr Briant will investigate a further site nearer the village hall.

009/17 **Councillor & Clerk Reports**

## Cllr Millen Report:

The Chairman reported that he had received 2 responses regarding the Speed Watch Campaign and one response concerning potholes as a result from the distribution of the January Newsletter.

## Cllr Carrick Report:

**Nelson Site.**

Cllr Carrick reported that the building being erected on the site has no planning permission and is now almost completely walled in corrugated steel paneling.

The container /office has been noticed as lit as was most of the site and there were sounds of machinery working during late hours. Also reported was a new structure, blue steel girders supporting machinery. Possibly 12ft high.

The piles of rubble on site were reported as growing again and the machinery parked on top looking very precarious. The gateway which was widened, has a galvanized steel double gate closing off the field, this means the skip lorries can no longer turn round in the field entrance. The lorries have deposited much mud on the road.

A Test Valley skip lorry and a Nelson skip and numerous private cars have been parked in old the road on many occasions. Litter is being deposited by the parked cars and the pavement there is still impassable.

The fence bordering the site is in a poor state of repair again, with rubble overflowing on to the shrubbery, that which is left after his repair. Much of the fencing he has removed has been left dumped in the shrubbery.

**Street Sign damage**

The Harrow Way road sign at the sharp bend has been knocked over.

Action: Clerk to report

**Fly tipping:**

Beer cans and rubbish has been noted at Uni-Flow's site next to Mark Path.

Action: Clerk to report

The Bird table/bath at Hanging Bushes Lane has not been removed.

Action: Clerk to report

## Cllr Burden

Reported that he had walked most of the footpaths and bridlepaths in the parish and brought to the council's attention that Hanging Bushes lane is overgrown with vegetation and that the Penton Grafton end of Blacksmith lane has trees overhanging and also the growth at the corner is intruding into the lane.

The Clerk pointed out that whilst hanging bushes lane is on the Priority list for cutting annually this does happen about June time. The lane would benefit from a good cut out of season.

This bridlepath is within the Penton Grafton boundary

Both bridlepaths may be subject to a cut once the Lengthsman scheme is in place.

Cllr Whitelegge

Reported that the litter at Staddlestones Farm Unit was very bad. Vehicles coming down from the private road are travelling at quite a speed on the entrance to the yard. This was felt to be a significant danger for any pedestrians at this location. The Clerk will report to the site agent.

Cllr Briant

No further comments

**Progress Reports for information and comment:**

010/17 Drains & Sewerage:  
No comments

011/17 Roads, Traffic & Maintenance:  
A question was raised at the last meeting concerning the prioritisation during 2016 for highway maintenance and resurfacing. No response has yet been received by the Clerk

**Finance:**

**PMPC RECEIPTS SINCE LAST MEETING 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

30 <sup>th</sup> November	Bank interest	£0.05
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**PMPC PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

11 <sup>th</sup> November	HCC	£52.68
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Bulpitt Print	£95.60

**PMPC PAYMENT OF CHEQUES SENT BETWEEN LAST MEETING & SIGNED**

12 December	R Whitmarsh	£240.00
5 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	N Colbourne	£692.39
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Bulpitt Print	£38.00
16 <sup>th</sup> January	PRC	£148.00
16 <sup>th</sup> January	Penton Cricket Club	£300.00

**PMPC balance from 4<sup>th</sup> November to 5<sup>th</sup> December** **£2,811.28**  
**Comprising of Business Reserve** **£2,711.28**  
**Plus Current Account** **£100.00**

**PMPC balance from 5<sup>th</sup> December to 5<sup>th</sup> January** **£2,502.34**  
**Comprising of Business Reserve** **£2,402.34**  
**Plus Current Account** **£100.00**

012/17 Financial Schedules for approval and signature  
2 schedules were approved at this meeting

013/17 Cheques for signature  
2 cheques were signed

**Correspondence:** (for information only)  
No envelope circulated at this meeting

**Any Other Business:** (for information only)

Cllr Whitelegge reported that she will be moving from the village during the summer and therefore resigning from the Parish Council. It was left open for Cllr Whitelegge to submit her resignation nearer the time.

**Items for the next agenda:**  
Questionnaire

**Items to remain on the agenda for future reference:**  
Andover Business Park  
Bridle path

**Next Meetings 2017:**

February 27<sup>th</sup>      March 27<sup>th</sup>      May 8<sup>th</sup> AGM      June 19<sup>th</sup>      August 7<sup>th</sup>  
September 25<sup>th</sup>      October 30<sup>th</sup>      December 11<sup>th</sup>