

# SLAUGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

2 Coltstaple Cottages, Coltstaple Lane, Horsham, RH13 9BB

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

### Meeting held

on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2013 at 7.30pm in the Pavilion, High Street, Handcross.

Sally Mclean – Clerk to the Council

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**Present: Cllr's Sue Hance, Michael Earle, Andrew McNaughton, Chris Hinchey, Billie Bridges, Bob St George, Kim Godwin, Lesley Read, Pat Long, Simon Goyder, David Clare, Gail Boustead and John Welch**

**Others Present: 11 members of Public, County Councillor Peter Griffiths (part)**

1 **Open Forum;** Council to consider adjournment of the meeting for questions from the members of the public

Mr Stewart Cooper asked that whilst a large number of the residents of the Parish, whilst accepting the need for a NP, object to the location of the proposed housing development set out in the current plan and have requested that the Examiner and MSDC are asked to put the decision on hold whilst alternative sites are considered by the residents.

Cllr Chris Hinchey responded that having taken from MSDC that the Plan was in examination and that the process could not be halted. District Councillor Andrew McNaughton confirmed that this was the case once it had been sent it can't be withdrawn.

The Clerk added that MSDC advised that to halt the Plan at this stage would be detrimental to the NHP process, the understanding of the legislation is that the Parish would have to return to the Regulation 14 Stage of the process and that clear documentation would have to be formulated outlining the reasons why the Plan is being withdrawn.

Mr Matt Surgue asked if further sites could be added to the Plan, Cllr McNaughton advised that additional sites could be added to the Plan under the review process.

2 **Apologies for absence;**

3 **Declaration of interest from members in respect of any items on the agenda.** None

4 **Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** 31<sup>st</sup> October 2013 previously distributed

5 **Matters from District and County Councillors:** to receive verbal reports from representatives of other authorities

5.1 Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) No report

5.2 West Sussex County Council County Local Committee (WSCC/CLC)

Cllr Hinchey to send NP summary to Cllr Griffiths. Cllr Griffiths is reducing workload but will be taking on rural broadband on the county. Will continue to chase community bus funding for Cllr Long. Will provide update on Handcross Park School at the next meeting.

6 **Committee Reports:** to receive and note committee and advisory group updates:

6.1 Finance and Policy – To approve Budget and Precept 2014/15 RESOLVED

6.2 Recreation – Nothing to report

6.3 Neighbourhood Planning – Plan in examination report due early December  
CLT set up in progress next meeting to look at work on legal governance.

6.4 Community Halls – Council agreed to lease in principle for the Finches Field Facility. Clerk to assign AIR's to develop Business Plan and look at areas to recoup costs Cllr McNaughton to discuss further with MSDC.

7 **Chairman's Report**

To review Chairman's updates

7.1 Communications – Delivery of material within the Parish, discussed delivery of material to individual roads Cllr Hinchey to discuss with Warninglid

8 **Correspondence/Publications/Consultations:**

To review items of correspondence

8.1 Winter Plan Resilience Planning

Pease Pottage has linked n/w and good neighbour group to give good area resilience. Discussed grit distribution and use of 4x4's

8.2 Members allowances review 2014/15 cc'd all discussed that allowances are available

9 **Finance:**

9.1 List of Accounts for Payment: To review list of accounts for payment RESOLVED

9.2 SALC Subscription approved inc by £1, now £564

10 **Information Items**

To review information items received

- 11 **Special Projects Items**  
**To review progress on special projects**  
Discussed bus shelter it was advised that the 273 not on route during roadworks and not being used until a23 works complete and may not be re-instated. Therefore decision to withdraw application
- 12 **Highways**  
**To review highways projects/items**  
12.1 Coos Lane – Drains – Reported that the drains to be refurbished when road closed TBC
- 13 **Police / NHW Report / Resilience Group Reports**  
13.1 Crime Bulletin cc'd All - Slaugham figures have marginally decreased and were the lowest crime area. Especially in the last 3 months. New neighbourhood policing officer.
- 14 **Any other Matters that the Chairman wishes to raise for future discussion:**  
Chip Van parking at Recreation Ground - request to park on grounds car park

Date of Next Meeting - 30<sup>th</sup> January 2013

**Signed** Sally Mclean - Clerk to the Council **Date** 21<sup>st</sup> November 2013