

TWINEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Twineham School, Twineham on Monday 13th March 2023 commencing at 7:00 pm

Present: Councillors Mrs A. Hirst (Chairman), Mrs F. Jones, Mrs J. Veaney and Mr C. Worsley.
West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis.
Mid Sussex District Councillor K. Adams.
Mayfield Market Town Representative A. Scott.
Clerk Mrs D. Langston.

12.23 Apologies for absence were received from Twineham Councillor Mrs C. Murphy.

13.23 To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any matter on the agenda. Cllr Worsley declared an interest in Rampion.

14.23 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th January 2023. Minutes were agreed by Council and were signed by the Chairman.

15.23 Matters arising from previous Minutes not covered on agenda:

59.1.22 - Noticeboards in Wineham Lane and Twineham Lane. Councillor Worsley will deal with the removal of the Wineham Lane noticeboard. Twineham Lane noticeboard will be oiled when the weather improves.

82.22 - Flower beds round War Memorial. Councillor Veaney will ask contractor to carry out a tidy up of the flower beds.

11.1.23 Disposal of fingerposts. Clerk will circulate email to residents on this matter.

11.3.23 Council confirmed a note of thanks was sent to Michael Brown on leaving CPRE.

16.23 To receive an update on Highways Matters:

12.22 Icy Conditions Signage. Clerk confirmed signage has now been erected on Bob Lane.

61.1.22 SID to discuss installation. This item remains ongoing.

75.1.20 Update on cutting hedges. WSCC Highways have written to the landowner on this matter.

82.22 Vegetation in Church Lane. Council will raise a letter to the landowner and hand deliver.

5.1.23 Painting arrows on A2300. Councillor Dennis will raise this item with WSCC Engineers.

5.1.23 Flooding issues in Bob Lane. Priority jetting works have been raised with the works expected by the end of March.

17.23 West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis updated on the following items.

- Potholes in Twineham Lane have been inspected and jobs have been raised accordingly with a surface dressing planned for completion during the next financial year.
- Councillor Dennis highlighted the use of a Jetpatcher throughout the district and the impact this will have on pothole repairs.
- New school at Brookleigh is just commencing construction. £57 million project carbon neutral, zero emissions which will cover ages up to age 16 years.
- Woodland Mead school has been completed and is almost ready for opening.
- WSCC recently won funding for a special needs' primary school in both Worthing and Lancing. Additionally special units have been developed for children with low level needs to remain in mainstream school.

- PROW highlight the need for an additional light located at the school exit.
- Speed policy has been amended. Parishes can review the speed on rural lanes. Council will review this item.
- WSCC have been looking at additional waste disposal methods to include grass cuttings and tree cuttings which can be turned into fuel.

18.23 Update on Rampion. This matter remains ongoing. Councillor Dennis will discuss with colleagues and update council.

19.23 MSDC Councillor K. Adams updated on the following items.

- Budget has been agreed with cross party support across council. Council tax will be under government cap with no use of reserves.
- Expansion on bulky waste service. Costs are very reasonable.
- Looking to clear garden waste waiting list. Due to backlog MSDC will add an additional truck to service.
- Food waste trial has been going very well. 120 tonnes of food waste during first 12 weeks of programme. District Council are committed to rolling this out across the whole district.
- Levelling up consultation has now closed. MSDC have requested more flexibility on housing numbers.
- Councillor Adams has submitted a response to the levelling up consultation suggesting government calculate the need for land supply/housing numbers using the latest population census and also add in a calculation to accommodate the fact that 60% of mid Sussex is Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty/National Park - therefore all the new housing is accommodated by 40% of the land MSDC Planned village fund for villages to enhance village life.

20.23 Update on Mid Sussex District Plan. Scrutiny Committee will be held on 15th March 2023 to discuss responses to the consultation.

21.23 To agree Council's response to the following planning matters and receive an update on enforcement issues:

DM/21/2276 Land East of Wineham Lane, Wineham. Battery energy storage facility and associated infrastructure. (Amended plans, safety management plan, fire strategy and other supporting information received 17th June 2022) (Further landscape and heritage responses received 28/9 and Water Neutrality Assessment received 4/10) (Water Neutrality Management Plan and updated plans received 21/2/23.) Council resolved to object to the application on the grounds of safety.

DM/22/3721 Twineham Grange Farm, Bob Lane, Twineham. Outline application for the erection of two holiday lets with associated parking. Some matters to be reserved except for access and layout. (Amended plan received 27th February showing revised location of holiday let Unit B'). Council agreed to object to the application on grounds of overdevelopment, access issues and contaminated land.

DM/23/0515 Land at Northlands Farm, Jobs Lane, Sayers Common. Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act (1990) which seeks confirmation that development approved under planning application reference TW/009/89 has lawfully commenced. This is an application to establish whether the development is lawful. This will be a legal decision where the planning merits of the existing use cannot be taken into account. Council will ask MSDC whether they are taking legal advice on this. Councillor Adams will investigate this matter and liaise with Council.

22.23 To note response to the Levelling Up Bill. Council confirmed it had submitted a response to the consultation.

West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis and Mid Sussex District Councillor K. Adams left the meeting at this point.

23.23 Councillor Hirst gave an update on the WSALC meeting held 25th January 2023 which covered the following items.

- Photo IDs are required for elections.
- Police focus groups.
- Southern Water issues.
- Potholes.

24.23 To consider parish items:

24.1.23 Bus shelters. Clerk will obtain quotes for replacement panels.

24.2.23 Litter. Parish litter pick several residents have volunteered to assist. Clerk will order five tongs at £20.30 to be delivered to Councillor Hirst.

24.3.23 Coronation celebrations. Clerk will email asking for volunteers to assist with any event.

25.23 Councillor Hirst confirmed an Inter Parish meeting was held 20th February 2023. A response to the Levelling Up Bill was submitted.

26.23 Finance & Administration Update.

Balance Sheet handed to all councillors and signed by the Chair.

Payments raised since the last meeting:

£568.00 Mr. M. Dudman

£420.95 WSCC Invoice 8001650583

£129.60 Vision ICT Ltd Invoice 16050

27.23 To confirm date of next meeting as Monday 15th May 2023.

28.23 Any other business *(Please note that no decisions may lawfully be made under this item but matters may be discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information)*

28.1.23 Discussion on election process.