

MINUTES
of the MEETING of
FROYLE PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Village Hall,
on Monday 19th November 2012 at 8 pm

Present:

<i>Parish Council:</i> Mr. I. Deans Mr. D. Collingborn Mr. M. Cray Mr. T. Goodsell Miss J Gove Mr. S. Lloyd Mr MJ Wells Mr. N. Whines	<i>Clerk:</i> <i>Others:</i> 5 member of the public Voluntary Auditor Mr. P. Elliott
--	--

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

037 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 17th September 2012 be accepted as a true record.

Items 4.3 and 6.1 were taken at this point.

ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

17th September 2012 at 8 pm

ITEM 6 OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Grass cutting Recreation ground: the Clerk had been asked to ask Cannon whether they would be available to do extra cuts when requested, and to obtain another quotation for the mowing.

OCS Cannon replied that they can usually do extra mowing within a week, and later in the season it can be within two or three days. For current season OCS Cannon charge £68.25+VAT.

191 Grounds Maintenance quotation: approximately fortnightly; including any ad hoc extra cuts; including strimming around obstacles such as bench seats and goal posts.

Per cut: £88.00 +VAT

209 Nigel Jeffries Landscapes quotation: cut grass leaving arising in situ, strim around obstacles, blow back grass from hard surfaces, approximately every two weeks during the growing season: £172+VAT per cut.

It was agreed to continue to use OCS Cannon.

6.2 Hedges

Hedge on Ryebriage Lane between the village hall and Hadwick's Corner: whether to cut the hedge to just above the height of the fence next to it, and then to let some trees to grow within it. Mr. Lloyd put a notice in the Village Magazine asking whether residents had any objections.

Three residents had expressed support of cutting the hedge to just above fence height, and one resident had objected (details had been enclosed with the agenda).

It was noted that a grant had been obtained on the basis that the hedge would be, among other things, a 'natural' hedge, and that therefore the hedge had to be what was agreed at the time.

The **Clerk** was asked to ask Stuart Garside, EHDC arboricultural officer, how best to manage the hedge as a natural hedge for the benefit of wildlife without it growing too tall.

All items had either already been reported, dealt with, pending or were discussed below.

ITEM 4 FINANCE

4.1 Approval of payments

038 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to note and approve the following payments, which had been made since the Agenda for the meeting of 17th September 2012 was prepared:

11.9.12	OCS Group UK ta Cannon	1028	13 12-13	245.70
17.9.12	Broker Network Ltd.	1029	34 12-13	1569.95
18.9.12	Victim Support	1030	32 12-13	50.00
18.9.12	Hampshire Cty Youth Band	1031	33 12-13	50.00
30.9.12	Information Commissioner	1032	13 12-13	35.00
30.9.13	Ricoh UK Ltd	1033	13 12-13	6.65
30.9.13	Treloar College (IKC)	1034	13 12-13	120.00
30.9.13	P. Cullen	1035	57 11-12	937.35
5.10.12	OCS Group UK ta Cannon	1036	13 12-13	81.90
8.10.12	RBL Poppy Appeal	1037		17.00
9.10.12	Timberline	1038		3502.00
10.10.12	Landscape Group	1039	13 12-13	51.01
30.10.12	Treloar College (IKC)	1040	13 12-13	129.00
30.10.12	OCS Group UK ta Cannon	1041	13 12-13	163.80
5.11.12	Froyle Village Hall	1042	13 12-13	150.00

4.2 Parish Council Accounts

039 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to approve of the payments and receipts accounts and reconciliation statement as at 13th November 2012 and bank statements that had been enclosed with the agenda.

4.3 Applications for grants

4.3.1 233 Froyle Archive Application for grant. Details had been enclosed with agenda. Previous grant was £250 paid on 21.11.11.

040 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to make a grant of £400 to Froyle Archive.

4.3.2 236 Froyle Village Hall Management Committee Application for grant. Details had been enclosed with agenda. Previous grant was £6000 paid on 27.8.10. £1000 in 2012-13 budget, agreed at 21.11.11.

041 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to make a grant of £1000 to the Village Hall.

4.4 Appreciation of grants

184 **Hampshire County Youth Band** Association. Details had been enclosed with agenda. Noted.

186 **Victim Support**. Details had been enclosed with agenda. Noted.

4.5 Review of Clerk's salary

Clerk's letter of appointment: Clerk's salary for the current year to be *reviewed* annually at the November meeting of the Parish Council, to be paid at the appropriate rate recommended by NALC and the Society of Local Council Clerks, calculated from NALC Scale LC1 using the appropriate Spinal Column Point (SCP) up to the maximum of SCP21, commencing at Spinal Point 16.

Last year it was reported from HALC website that the 2009/2010 National Final Salary Award for local council clerks (last modified: 9th March 2011, confirmed current by HALC on 14.11.11) for part-time clerks hourly rates, payable from 1st April 2009 at SCP 16 was £8.545p, therefore Clerk's salary for f/yr 2009-10 was £3554.72 per annum. No more up-to-date advice or information was available on 14.11.12.

It was agreed to defer this item until up-to-date information was available.

4.6 Clerk expenses

It was agreed that an approximate cost for the use of electricity for photocopier, printer, etc., should be ascertained and reimbursed.

4.7 Review of Village Magazine advertisement charges

Current charges were based on:

£1.50 minimum for advertisements up to a third of a page for Froyle small traders.

£3 for half a page for Froyle small traders.

£4.50 for up to half a page for non-Froyle or larger businesses.

042 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to increase charges to:

£2 minimum for advertisements up to a third of a page for Froyle small traders.

£3.50 for half a page for Froyle small traders.

£5.00 for up to half a page for non-Froyle or larger businesses.

4.8 Review of Budget for 2012-13

The Council finally approved the budget for 2012-13 at 21.11.11. Actual and forecast figures show changes since the budget became effective in April 2012.

4.9 Budget with Precept Calculation for 2013-14

CPI annual inflation of 2.2% at September 2012

(<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/cpi/consumer-price-indices/september-2012/index.html>) has been applied to expenditure.

Precept has been assumed to be the same as for 2012-13, £17500.

(NALC Policy Briefing (P39-12. 26 October 2012) [http://www.hampshire-](http://www.hampshire-alc.gov.uk/article/precepts-update-610.aspx)

alc.gov.uk/article/precepts-update-610.aspx: "Any "Excessive Council Tax Increase" trigger will be set [...] in the Local Government Finance Report [...] made final in the late January following [...] formal setting of Precept should be concluded in January.)

Copy of updated 2012-13 budget and 2013-14 budget with precept calculation had been enclosed with the agenda.

It was agreed that amounts to be transferred to reserves would be agreed in March 2013.

043 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** that the precept for 2013-14 should be £17500.

4.10 Other financial matters

4.10.1 S137

From HALC website:

SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE: LIMIT FOR 2012/2013

The Department for Communities and Local Government has confirmed that the appropriate sum for parish councils for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 ("1972 Act") for 2012-2013 is £6.80.

This is the amount that results from increasing the amount for 2011-2012 (£6.44) by the percentage increase in the Retail Prices Index between September 2010 and September 2011 (of 5.6%), in accordance with Schedule 12B to the 1972 Act.

Numbers of electors at October 2012 is 454. Expenditure limit is therefore £3087.20. Noted.

4.10.2 230 English Landscapes: **Dog Bin** emptying price increase from £3.27 per lift to £5.50 per lift, pntc, note had been enclosed with the agenda. Noted.

ITEM 5 PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Planning Applications (previously notified to councillors (pntc))

Mr. Deans declared an interest in the following item and took no part in the decision.

215 51309/003 **Myrtle Cottage**, Ryebriidge Lane, Upper Froyle, RENEWAL OF EXTANT PERMISSION 51309/001 'DETACHED TWO STOREY DWELLING WITH NEW ACCESS.

044 12-13 It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

175 54491 1 **Home Farm Cottages**, Spollycombe Lane, Upper Froyle, REPLACE THREE WINDOWS ON THE WESTERN AND ONE WINDOW ON THE EASTERN ELEVATION. Consultation expired 18.10.12. FPC had no objection.

189 27454/023 **Aldersey Cottage**, Lower Froyle, CROWN REDUCE ONE HAWTHORN TREE LEAVING A HEIGHT OF 27 FT AND RADIUS OF 22.5 FT. Consultation expired 29.10.12. FPC had no comment.

5.2 Results of Planning Applications (pntc)

166 53696/002 **Blundens Farm**, Ryebriidge Lane DETACHED DOUBLE GARAGE WITH FIRST FLOOR STORAGE AREA AFTER DEMOLITION OF NISSAN HUT PERMISSION. Noted.

202 51069/001 **1 & 2 New Cottages, Hole Lane, Bentley**, DETACHED DWELLING WITH DETACHED ANCILLARY STUDIO/STORE/CAR PORTS FOLLOWING DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING AND OUTBUILDINGS PERMISSION. Noted.

5.3 Other Planning Matters (pntc)

238 Proposed changes to **permitted development rights**, including domestic extensions consultation. Consultation expiry 24.12.12.

Mr. Whines agreed to draft a response for the consultation and to circulate it to councillors.

ITEM 6 OTHER MATTERS (some pntc)

6.1 Parish Plan overview, presented by Miss Essenson.

The Parish Plan (PP)/Village Design Statement (VDS) results, including those relating to the former Treloar site in Upper Froyle were tabled. Miss Essenson explained:

Treloar Site: A shop was the most requested facility in the Treloar section of the PP/VDS Survey. NJG has now sited a shop in their plans within the SPB. The feasibility of a shop and its impact on other businesses (e.g. Bentley stores) is something the PP will investigate.

The developer has agreed to consider a wildlife area – this was the second most requested facility for the site. The third most requested facility was for GP consultation facilities. The local GP has been put in touch with the developer.

Traffic & Transport: Residents have expressed concerns about parking capacity at Bentley station. However, the level of traffic related contributions is not clear at this stage and there is no scope for extending the station car park. Traffic was also reported as a concern both from the development as a general safety concern throughout the village.

Community: The PP Steering Group is querying how the developer could help Froyle to stay a cohesive community. For example, the village hall may not be able to accommodate increased demand from the planned increased in population.

Countryside: The PP Steering Group (SG) has asked the developer to improve footpath access – between the site and the Hen & Chicken and via a link from Froyle Place to the existing network. Biodiversity and views were also important resident considerations both at the site and in general. 86% of the village consider that biodiversity protection, mitigation and encouragement need to be addressed in local planning consents. On the Treloar site, the SG has requested the planting of native hedging and species instead of fencing between the new houses.

Housing: The developers are required to conduct a housing needs survey to determine affordable housing needs. In a wider context, the PP results indicate the village would not like to see new housing between existing houses or any houses being built out in the countryside.

Business & Communications: The PP/VDS survey reports a problem with broadband. There may be an opportunity to address this (at least in UF) as there is a link between Holybourne and the former Treloar school site. The SG has informed the developer to see if this can be made use of. Business owners in Froyle have said that personal networking may be useful to them and this will be taken forwards a PP project.

Youth: The youth in the village (11-17s) helped to design their own PP survey. Sports, wildlife, first aid courses, setting up your own business courses, and off road driving instruction were all considered to be important. It should also be noted that the survey reported usage of Froyle facilities and the play area by over 250 children, grandchildren and teenagers.

Miss Essenson said PP projects need to be written up and recorded in order that grants and other funds can be applied for. Projects will be prioritised according to the level of support indicated in the survey – taking niche or demographic needs into account where appropriate. The Parish Council will be the ‘guardian’ of the plan and will need to review it at regular intervals to aid progress and to provide support where it can. The PC is not expected to do all the work - resident volunteers will need to be found for each project. The PP is (in effect) a ‘mandate’ to the PC to inform its decision making. Miss Essenson has been advised that owing to the high response rate to the survey, EHDC would take the results into account if the Treloar site application is assessed before it is completed. Miss Essenson will be formally presenting the PP results to the new owners of the former Treloar site in the next few days.

6.2 Grass cutting: Deferred from fpc 17.9.12. See above. Deferred to a later meeting.

6.3 Wild flowers etc: 169 Mrs. Clark: Husseys Lane and motorbike use. Deferred to a later meeting.

ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A list of the correspondence received since the agenda for the meeting of 17th September 2012 had been prepared had been enclosed with the agenda. Other matters, including some of which the papers were at the meeting and some had already been notified to councillors were noted:

182 HCC: Outcome of the review of poorly used mobile library stops

217 HALC Response re letter to developers query

181 HALC Response re query re meeting developers

220 Radian Response re ditch request: Surveyor to raise a job, to be dealt with by Chris Bonner.

221 HCC: Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan development plan document - public examination

225 Clerks & Councils Direct mag: village greens etc.

237 EHDC: future of social housing in East Hampshire

ITEM 8 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS

8.1 Miss Gove: The Treloar Trust declined to contribute towards the cost of the new **map** on Jubilee Green because they had provided the stone bench in the churchyard and the Memorial Garden. Mr. Whines: The Land Registry reported that the ownership of **Jubilee Green/map** is probably unregistered. It was possible that it is owned by Froyle Estate. To obtain a grant for the map it was necessary to know who owns the land it is would be on. County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee had offered £1000 towards the cost of the map, but this would be lost if the project is not completed before the end of the year.

ITEM 9 MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

Mr. Collingborn explained that it is the **hedge** by the road at 41 Westburn Fields that needs trimming as it is growing over the pavement, and not a hedge next to Lombardy House.

ITEM 10 MATTERS RAISED BY RESIDENTS

10.1 Defibrillator: purchasing a defibrillator/where or with whom to store it/availability of trained first responders/alternative means of cost-effective first response were discussed.

10.2 Mr. Whines: Agenda and/or minutes or notes on **website** were discussed. The **Clerk** was asked to ask HALC what is appropriate to put on a website. To be discussed at a later meeting.

ITEM 11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7th January 2013 (Monday).

It was agreed to move this meeting to a day not a Monday.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm.

Date..... Chairman.....