

A MEETING of FUNTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL was held at the Funtington and District Village Hall, West Ashling on Wednesday 1st December, 2010, at 6.30 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Mr. J.M. Sewell, (Chairman), Mrs. J.V. Bateman, Mr. D.A. Collet, Mrs. T.A. Hall, Mr. R.J. Hammond, Mr. J. Hepworth, Mr. T.E. Hoare, .Mr. G. Keech, Mr. R.H. Knight, Mr. N.G. La Hive, Mr. P.O.H. Medlam, Mr. B. Oakley-Smith and Mr. W. Vinall

**APOLOGIES**

All councillors were present.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No Councillors declared interests in any of the items on the agenda

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of 3rd November, 2010, were approved, with the date of the official opening of Portal Close being amended to 8th December, and signed.

**MATTERS ARISING**

The work on the War Memorial has now been completed.

The overhanging trees/bushes along Southbrook Road have been trimmed by the County Council. The owner of the land will be sent the bill.

**REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

County Councillor Mrs. Goldsmith said that Bosham Fire Station will be closed in the new year. The County have adequate supplies for gritting the County's roads. £80M worth of savings have been found, so the County is ready to finalise all its figures...

**REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

District Councillor Mrs. Tassell said that there would be a financial reward to District Councils if they did not put up their precepts, but this did not apply to Parish Councils. More details will be given to Parish Councils at their Annual Meeting with the District Council in January

**CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that the following letters had been received:

- (a) Chichester District Council – Presentation Slides :Annual Meeting with Parish Councils - *Noted*
- (b) Chichester District Council – Annual Rent for Play Area – *Approved for Payment*
- (c) West Sussex County Council – Update on West Sussex Minerals and Waste Core Strategy - *Noted*
- (d) Chichester District Council – Filling of Vacancies on Parish Councils - *Noted*
- (e) DCK Beavers Ltd. – Accounting Solutions : Newsletter Autumn 2010
- (f) Ministry of Transport – Proposed Stopping Up of Highway at the Old Chapel, Funtington Road, Chichester – *No objection, but comments*

**FINANCE**

Accounts for Payment

		£	VAT
AIRS	Remainder of Annual Subscription	10.00	
B.W. Mann	Clerk's Salary – November	369.00	
B.W. Mann	Clerk's Expenses	99.02	
Sussex Memorial Care Ltd	Gravelling of War Memorial Path	575.63	
Chichester District Council	Play Area Rent	20.00	
BVR Creative	Parish Newsletter	60.00	

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Councillors considered the list of planning applications attached to the Agenda. The Planning Working Group's recommendations, as shown on that list, were agreed and approved. .

**WORKING GROUP  
REPORTS**

Parish Plan. County Councillor Mike Hicks will meet members of the Beta Club to discuss broadband problems. He will be investigating Chichester and Bosham Exchanges links. At present fibre optic cable is laid up to Bosham, but copper wiring thereafter. BT has not yet calculated the cost of fibre cable up to Funtington. 1,000 people need to be signed on before any notice is taken. This subject will be raised at the next Bournes Forum meeting.

Affordable Housing. 12 applicants have been selected to occupy the affordable homes. Although it is hoped to stick to the original programme, it may have to be delayed because of the bad weather. The District Chairman's Award for the Parish Councils efforts on the affordable housing was made to the Parish Chairman and Councillor Hammond, on the Parish Council's behalf.

Finance & General Purposes. The Group will meet later this month to discuss next year's precept for presentation to the Council at the January meeting.

Community Safety: Cllr. La Hive gave a debrief on the salt/gritting situation as laid out by the County Council.

Speed & Traffic Management. County Councillor Mike Hall inspected all the suggested SID sites and more have been approved. A meeting is due to be held with Steve Johnson from the Drayton Depot to finally decide which type of SID to order. Hopefully the order will be placed in January.

Village Hall. Provisional plans for the new village hall have been submitted to the District Council and verbal approval received. Money is now required from the National Lottery. A meeting is being held with the Lottery officials in mid December to discuss the prospects of obtaining a grant.

**DATE OF NEXT  
MEETING**

Wednesday 5th January, 2011, at 6.30 p.m.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40 p.m.

Chairman  
5th January, 2011