

**Draft minutes of Grafton Parish Meeting held at the Coronation Hall on Monday 14  
May 2018 at 19:15**

Item	Topic and Actions
1	<p><b>Attendees:</b> Mr Lemon (Chair), Mrs Neal, Mrs Dudney, Mr Hosier, Mr Hyslop, Mrs Whitcher, Mr Herrod-Taylor, Mr Burke, Miss Vonsova (Clerk).</p> <p><b>Members of the Public:</b> Mr Mike Hatherell, Mr Rupert Giles, Mrs Linda Weldon, Mr Mark Bazett.</p>
2	<p><b>Apologies:</b> None.</p>
3	<p><b>Matters arising from Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 8 January 2018</b></p> <p>None. Minutes proposed by Mr Mike Hyslop, seconded by Mr George Hosier and signed off by Mr Lemon.</p>
4	<p><b>Public Forum under adjournment:</b> None</p>
5	<p><b>New Councillor-</b> Mr Lemon introduced Mr Mike Hatherell of East Grafton who explained why he was interested in becoming a Parish Councillor and what he had to offer to the council in the work which he does. Mr Lemon proposed the appointment of Mr Hatherell and the Councillors unanimously agreed on inviting Mr Hatherell to join them. Mr Lemon welcomed Mr Hatherell as a new councillor on the Grafton Parish Council.</p>
6	<p><b>Financial Review- Projects and Budgets –</b> Review of Grafton Parish annual accounts as at 31 March 2018 in accordance with the annual audit requirements.</p> <p>Mrs Dudney advised that audit was checked and signed by an independent assessor, Mrs Alison Comyn. All the documentation related to audit was signed at the meeting. Proposed by Mr Harrod-Taylor, seconded by Mr Lemon.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed to pay £269.41 to WALC.</p> <p>Mrs Dudney reported on the ongoing and frustrating lack of access to the Council’s banking facilities.</p>
7	<p><b>Updates:</b></p> <p><b>Coronation Hall –</b>Mrs Whitcher reported 3 residents had expressed an interest in joining the Coronation Hall Committee. The committee held an AGM on 4 May when the accounts were presented. The Hall is breaking even each year with contingency funds being retained for future maintenance, enhancements and repairs.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> None required.</p>
	<p><b>Speed watch –</b> Mrs Neal reported that speeding is still an issue within Grafton Parish. Furthermore, Mrs Neal advised on lack of communication from volunteers when contacted and asked to take a part in the speed watch activity. More volunteers are needed to take a part in this activity and Mrs Neal asked the members of the council to volunteer. Mr Herrod-Taylor agreed to take part in the next speed watch activity as he already obtained speed watch training.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> An advert to recruit more volunteers to be placed in the next community News. Mrs Neal to send an email to parish councillors concerning the details of the volunteering for this activity.</p>
	<p><b>Youth Activities –</b> Mrs Whitcher reported an excellent uptake for the forthcoming the youth activities outing to Aquaventure and informed the Council that the preparations for Rounders Match is going according to plan. Mrs Whitcher reported that the Youth activities were becoming more popular within Grafton Parish and that a long term strategy for the Youth activities is under consideration.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> Mrs Whitcher to report on the outcome of the Aqua Venture Cotswold</p>
	<p><b>PACP –</b> Mr Herrod-Taylor did not attend the last PACP meeting.</p> <p>There are 3 ongoing issues within PACP- bus frequency, train frequency and concern for ground contamination at Everleigh tip. Mr Herrod- Taylor expressed concern regarding the support from Parishes as shown by the low attendance from Parish representatives at PCAP meetings.</p>
	<p><b>Picture Palace -</b> Mr Burke reported a successful turn out for the first Movolia Night. Mr Burke received a positive feedback and the event paid for itself. Mr Burke said that the next film, Darkest Hour, had been requested by the people who attended the first film</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> Mr Burke to report on the next meeting the outcome of the Darkest Hour film.</p>

8	<p><b>Parish Husbandry –</b></p> <p><b>Playing Fields maintenance</b> – Mr Hosier informed committee that review and inspection of the Playing Fields is taking place later this month. He also confirmed that Mr Goddard, contractor for cutting the grass, attended when agreed, however, misunderstanding of the contract prevented him to carry on this agreement weekly. Mr Hosier reported that he kindly cut the grass this week so it is ready for use.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> Mr Hosier is to report of the outcome of the review and inspection of the Playing Fields. Also he is to negotiate weekly cutting of the grass with the contractor, Mr Goddard.</p>
	<p><b>A338</b> – It was reported that although the footpath from the post box westward on the North of the A338 was widened it is still not satisfactory for the safety of the general public. The pathway needs to be widened more.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> Mr Lemon to ask for Parish Stewards to widen further if possible.</p>
	<p><b>Defibrillator:</b> Mr Hosier informed the committee that the defibrillator in Marten is to be moved into more accessible place, inside Richard Pash’s gate this week. The committee agreed to cover the electricity expenses.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b> Mr Hosier to report on this progress on the next meeting.</p>
9	<p><b>Planning -</b></p> <p>Grafton Parish Committee took an unanimous decision to support Planning Applications Ref:</p> <p>18/03228/FUL, Swifts Cottage, Batts Lane, East Grafton, SN8 3DB</p> <p>18/03669/FUL, Wexcombe End, 15 Wexcombe, Marlborough, SN8 3SQ</p> <p>18/03465/FUL, Manor Farm, Wilton, Wiltshire, SN8 3SP</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Parish clerk respond to the applications on behalf of the Parish council.</p>

**Meeting closed at 21:00 hours** with all contributors being thanked by Mr Lemon.

**Date of next PC meeting – Monday 9 July 2018 at 1915 hours.**

**Date of next planning meeting – Monday 11 June 2018 at 1300 hours.**

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