

Draft of minutes of Grafton Parish Meeting held at the Coronation Hall on Monday 8 January 2018 at 1915

Item	Topic and Actions
1	<p>Attendees: Mr Lemon (Chair), Mrs Neal, Mrs Dudney, Mr Hosier, Mr Hyslop, Mrs Whitcher, Mr Herrod-Taylor, Mr Burke, Miss Vonsova (Clerk).</p> <p>Members of the Public: 2 members of the public in attendance: Mr Peter Lemon, Mr Roger Beazley.</p>
2	<p>Apologies: None.</p>
3	<p>Matters arising from Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 4 September 2017</p> <p>2018 Parish Council meeting dates – The dates were corrected Monday 14 May 2018 instead of 15 May 2018. – No other matters arising.</p> <p>Minutes proposed by Mrs Dudney, seconded by Mr Herrod-Taylor and signed off by Mr Lemon.</p>
4	<p>Public Forum under adjournment – Mr P Lemon proposed a plan for the celebration of the hundred years anniversary of WW1. Mr Lemon undertook to find the descendants of 31 men from the parish who fought in this war and to involve them in the celebration. Period uniforms should be worn. He proposed to place the plaque, with names of Wilton combatants and now recovered from Wilton Methodist Church, inside St Nicholas' Church in Grafton and to unveil the plaque on the 11 November as a part of Remembrance Service. Mr Lemon proposed that this event be followed by light refreshments at the Swam pub in Wilton. Mrs Dudney suggested that young people from the Parish could dress in appropriate WW1 attire and hold name banners to represent those returning from war (if descendants could not be found) and also advised that a remembrance tree for each hamlet of this parish had been applied for and that the planting should form part of the remembrance.</p> <p>Action: Mrs Dudney and Mr Burke will try to find where to get uniforms from that period.</p> <p>Mrs Dudney to attend Grafton PCC meeting to ensure that plans, legal requirements and planning rules were in place to erect the plaque inside St Nicholas' church</p>
5	<p>Financial Review- Projects and Budgets – Up to date.</p>
6	<p>Updates:</p> <p>Coronation Hall – Mrs Whitcher reported that the net curtain rails in the Hall has been removed and would be shortly replaced with vertical blinds which would be more efficient and aesthetically pleasing. The projector screen is to be repositioned shortly. It was noted that there is no maintenance person for the Village Hall at the moment and the hedge is in need of cutting and pot holes filled.</p> <p>Action: Mr Lemon kindly offered to fill the pot holes and cut the hedge asap.</p>
7	<p>Speed watch – Concerns from the general public were expressed over the fast driving from the main road to Sunflowers at Grafton over the Village Green. Mrs Neal advised that speeding is still an issue and that the speed watch needs more volunteers. A further advertisement for volunteers will be placed in the next issue of Community News.</p> <p>Action: Email to be sent to the Sunflower to make parents aware about the speeding issue. An advert to recruit more volunteers to be placed in the next Community News issue by Mr Dudney.</p>
8	<p>PACP – Nothing to report. There is a PACP meeting on the end of this month.</p>
9	<p>Christmas plans – Grafton Parish Council expressed gratitude to the people who made this traditional Christmas tour happen.</p>
10	<p>It was proposed to create a Calendar of the public events and to link that with the Community News so the general public would be more aware of the future events in the Parish. Additionally, it was suggested that on the AGM meeting in May 2018 each representative of a community group would be asked to contribute with some ideas towards the calendar of the community news.</p> <p>Action: At the September meeting ideas would be proposed and discussed for the following Christmas event. Mr Burke volunteered to be in charge of correlating a Calendar of the community events.</p>
11	<p>Youth Activities – Mrs Whitcher reported a successful turn out for December's youth activity "Bath Bombs". Furthermore, Mrs Whitcher advised that CLUE HQ Swindon, an 'escape game', would take in place on 21 January.</p>

12	<p>Sewage issue in Wilton- Mr Lemon reported that the sewage issue in Wilton during Christmas period is still not resolved as on 1 January the extracting of the sewage waste twice a day commenced again. There is a continuing risk of pollution of the Wilton waters.</p> <p>Action: Mr Lemon to pursue this issue.</p>
13	<p>Parish Husbandry –</p> <p>Grass cutting in Wilton - Mr Lemon confirmed that the Parish Steward had attended to the grass opposite the pond in Wilton.</p> <p>Playing Fields maintenance – Mr Hosier had received one quota for cutting the grass. Mr Hosier is going to investigate further obtain more quotes for this service.</p> <p>Actions: At this meeting further names for maintenance of the Playing Field were suggested. Mr Hosier is going to contact potential contractors and report on the March meeting.</p>
14	<p>A338 – It was noted that the footpath from the post box westward on the North of the A338 still needs to be widened for the safety of the general public. The work has started but was interrupted by the bad weather. Further work is required to widen the section of the path possibly with a small digger.</p> <p>Actions: David Lemon to monitor parish steward progress?</p>
15	<p>Tree by War Memorial fell during windy weather – Mr James Allan was thanked by the Parish Council for clearing trees by the war memorial. The PCC had been advised that the remaining trees require inspection to ensure their safety.</p> <p>Actions: Mrs Dudney to inform the PCC that the PC would support tree maintenance adjacent to the war memorial</p>
16	<p>Defibrillator: Repeated request made to place the Marten defibrillator to a more accessible position.</p> <p>Action: Mr Hosier going to move the defibrillator to more accessible place. Mr Hosier to pass the details of all involved in supporting/checking defibrillators to the parish clerk.</p>
17	<p>Independent auditing- Mrs Dudney advised that independent auditing will be done by Mrs Comyn as before. This was unanimously agreed.</p>
18	<p>Planning – The Grafton Parish Committee took a unanimous decision to support Planning Application Ref: 17/11929/Full, Culverleaze, Grafton Place, East Grafton, Marlborough SN8 3TU.</p> <p>Action: The Parish Clerk to respond to the application on behalf of the Parish council.</p>

Meeting closed at 20:30 hours with all contributors being thanked by Mr Lemon.

Date of next PC meeting – Monday 12 March 2018 at 1915 hours.

Date of next planning meeting – Monday 12 February 2018 at 1300 hours.

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