

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ALLBROOK AND NORTH BOYATT
PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2014
AT CRESTWOOD SCHOOL
(7:00 pm - 7:55 pm)**

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs Sollitt (Chair); Councillors Bain, Barham and Carney

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Symonds, Betts, Freemantle and Trenchard

21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in relation to items of business on the agenda.

22. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Several members of the public expressed concern over the possibility of a business being run from a residents garage in The Paddock/ Rookwood Close area. A complaint had been made to the Borough Council and residents were concerned that little had been done.

Councillor Sollitt advised that she was aware of the situation and herself and Councillor Wall were monitoring it closely.

23. MINUTES

RESOLVED –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2014 be approved and signed as a correct record.

24. ALLOTMENT UPDATE - LINDA GREENSLADE

Members considered the report of the Allotment Officer who had been busy with the annual invoicing and renewal of tenancy agreements. There had been 5 surrendered plots at Broomhill and 2 at Lincolns Rise. Eight plots had also just become available due to the death of the tenant these would be re-let shortly.

She advised that £118 had been raised by the team of site reps who put on the open day in August and this money would go towards enhancing the site. The Strimmer that was bought by Site Representative's after the last meeting had broken and been returned, they had been advised that a more robust strimmer would be needed for the jobs that it was being used for at an additional cost of £234. The Allotment Officer advised that

Eastleigh District Allotment Association had agreed to donate £234 so the strimmer could be purchased at no extra cost to the Parish Council.

Martyn Park could no longer be a Site Representative for Broomhill allotments so Ian Fleming was to take his place. The Parish Council thanked Martyn for the work he had done at the allotment site.

The Allotment Officer advised Members that the plot that had been discussed at the last meeting due to the large construction that had been left on it and vacated had been let as it was and therefore would not cost the Parish to clear it. The tenant had been offered a rent free year to rent the plot as it was.

She advised that there was no waiting list for allotments and she was currently working through Eastleigh Borough Council's waiting list to establish whether there were any eligible tenants looking for a plot.

25. PCSO UPDATE

The PCSO in attendance had been drafted in from the Town Centre area due to annual leave. She advised that Hampshire Constabulary were undergoing a massive structural change so there would be a lot of movement of personnel. She advised that the motorbike issue that was near the Leslie Loader Building had eased.

The Chair thanked the PCSO for attending the meeting and advised that she had received several complaints about the speed of traffic coming down Broadlands Avenue and that it was being used as a race track.

The PCSO was also advised of an issue on a Sunday morning Allbrook Way was being used by big motorbikes coming from Twyford Road and Woodside Avenue up to the motorway at very high speeds.

There were also problems with HGV's travelling along Twyford Road, this was raised as a priority at the Police and Community (PAC) meeting 6 months ago, however it seemed that nothing had been done.

Councillor Sollitt advised that there wasn't such an issue on Twyford Road since the installation of the pedestrian crossing. The PCSO had made a note of the issues raised and would take them back to colleagues.

The Chair thanked the PCSO for attending the meeting.

26. CHANGES TO HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY WITH CHIEF INSPECTOR FOWER

Unfortunately due to unforeseen work constraints Chief Inspector Fower was unable to attend the meeting. It was hoped he would be able to attend the next meeting on Wednesday 26 November 2014.

27. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Lych Gate – The Clerk advised that she had been made aware of the Developers Contributions for the land east of Pitmore Road including a piece of public art in the form of a lych gate. She sought approval from Members as to possible design and a representative to monitor the project. Members were agreed that the Parish Council logo should feature on the gate and that it should be produced using natural materials such as oak.

Newsletter – Members views were sought on the possibility of the Parish producing a non-political newsletter. Members agreed that this would be of benefit to those who couldn't attend meetings and didn't have access to the website. The possibility of adverts were raised and also local people writing articles about local issues. Members agreed that they would deliver the newsletter once it was produced. The Clerk advised that she would look into the issues raised and report back to a future meeting with samples of other newsletters.

Member Photographs on the website – Members were asked whether they felt that their photographs should be on the website. It was AGREED that all Members would have their photographs on the website and the Clerk would bring a camera for this purpose to the next meeting.

Noticeboard – The Clerk would look into moving the Noticeboard in Allbrook Hill to the site where the bus stop was as it's current location was unacceptable.

Allbrook Hill - Members raised concerns over the cleanliness of Allbrook Hill and requested that the Council provide some litter pickers to clean up the area. The PCSO suggested that this was a perfect opportunity for Community Payback and would take the details back to colleagues to confirm at a future meeting.

28. CLOSURE OF ACCOUNTS

The Clerk advised that the external Auditors report had now been received and there were no serious issues to report. The Accounts were now closed and signed off for the year 2013/14.

RESOLVED –

That the External Auditors report be accepted.

29. FINANCE MATTERS

The Parish Council considered the papers on expenditure which detailed cheques to be issued and budget monitoring. Members agreed to endorse all cheques presented in the report as listed below:

179	<i>Cleansing Service Group BH Allotment</i>	£193.00
180	<i>Eastleigh Borough Council BH Allotment Rat Treatment</i>	£65.00
181	<i>Mr D Harwell Key Deposit Return</i>	£20.00
182	<i>E-Mango Annual Hosting, backup and service charge</i>	£576.00
183	<i>Eastleigh Borough Council August Salaries</i>	£454.18
184	<i>British Gas Broomhill Allotments (May - Aug)</i>	£111.88
185	<i>BDO LLP External Audit Fees</i>	£276.00
186	<i>Mobile Mini Broomhill Allotment Container Hire</i>	£34.32
187	<i>Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council Photocopying</i>	£20.40
188	<i>A Thorne Expenses</i>	£83.83
189	<i>L Greenslade Expenses</i>	£112.48
190	<i>Royal Mail LG PO Box</i>	£313.01
	Total	£1,982.10

RESOLVED –

That authority be given for the payment of cheques 179 – 190.

30. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 26 November at 7pm in Crestwood School.