

St Martins Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the St Martins Parish Council Executive Committee held on Thursday 6th July 2017 at 7.50 p.m. in the St Martins Community Centre, St Martins.

PRESENT: Cllr's A Cast, G. Pennington and J. Stevens.

Also in attendance: the Parish Clerk.

Action

124/07/17.E Election of Chairman

Proposed: Cllr J. Stevens
Seconded: Cllr G. Pennington

Resolved: that Cllr A. Cast is elected Chairman of the Executive Committee.

125/07/17.E Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence had been received from Cllr N. Graham.

126/07/17.E Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

RESOLVED to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001 and no applications for dispensations.

It was **AGREED** to accept any Disclosable Pecuniary as they may arise during the meeting.

127/07/17.E Urgent Items

The Chairman asked Cllr J. Stevens to put forward his recommendations to changes to Standing Orders following this year's Annual meeting in May. These were as follows;

Executive Committee: - 3. Members of the Committee are established at the Annual meeting of the Council *and consist of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and four other Councillors.*

Finance Committee: - 3. Members of the Committee are established at the Annual meeting of the Council *and consist of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and four other Councillors.*

Street Lighting Committee: - 3. Members of the Committee are established at the Annual meeting of the Council *and consist of the Chairman of the Finance Committee and four other Councillors.*

	Proposed: Cllr G. Pennington Seconded: Cllr A. Cast	<u>Action</u>
	Resolved: that these amendment's be approved and adopted by Council.	Parish Clerk
128/07/17.E	Minutes	
	Proposed: Cllr G. Pennington Seconded: Cllr J. Stevens	
	Resolved: with 1 abstention that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on Thursday 6th October 2016, having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.	Chairman
129/07/17.E	Recreation Services Committee	
	Cllr's were asked to consider any proposals put forward by the Recreation Services Committee meeting held prior to this meeting.	
	Proposed: Cllr J. Stevens Seconded: Cllr G. Pennington	
	Resolved: that the following be approved and adopted by Council with regard to proposed Amenity Land Transfers.	
	The Parish Clerk consults with our present contractor to seek his guidance on what standard and specification would be best suited for these area. This would be in the number of cuts per year, height of grass and flexibility of cuts taking into account weather and growing conditions and whether to enter into a collaborative arrangement with neighbouring parishes.	Parish Clerk
130/07/17.E	Chairman's Election	
	Cllr's were asked to consider the term of office for Chairman of the Parish Council.	
	Proposed: Cllr G. Pennington Seconded: Cllr A. Cast	
	Resolved: that the following amendment to Standing Order 5e (Annual Council Meetings) be approved and adopted by Council.	
	The first business conducted at the annual meeting of the Council shall be the election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council. <i>No Councillor shall hold the office of Chairman for more than two consecutive years.</i>	

Action**131/07/17.E Devolved Services**

The Parish Clerk reported on a recent meeting of the Town & Parish Council Forum. This meeting was opened by Shropshire Cllr Peter Nutting who is now the Leader of Shropshire Council. He said his main priorities were Economic Development and the culture of staff at the Shirehall. As regards the transfer of services to Town & Parish Councils it was proving difficult to break down what the current costs were for comparisons. Other issues raised included a review of car parking charges, developing in certain areas of Green Belt, an airport for Shropshire and Tourism. Shropshire Council will continue to support Leisure Centre's.

As regards Shropshire Council's new Maintenance contract tenders have now been received and evaluated. It was hoped to let Town & Parish Council's know the specification of this contract before the end of the year and well before they set their budgets.

On the Register of Interest in the transfer of Amenity Land to Town & Parish Council's Kate Garner said 25 Town & Parish Council's had registered an interest over 110 sites. Talks would start with those interested Council's in September.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.22 p.m.

Signed

Date

Chairman