

Pyecombe Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on at Wayfield Park Farm shop on Tuesday 10th January 2023 at 7:00pm.

Present – Cllr D. Wilson Chairman, Cllr T. Cullen, and Cllr M. Saich.
Clerk and RFO – Mrs D. Langston.
Mid Sussex District Councillor A. Bennett & C. Trumble.

Minutes

1.23 Apologies for absence were received from West Sussex County Councillor J. Dennis, Mid Sussex District Councillor R. Jackson, and Pyecombe Parish Councillor G. Bishop.

2.23 No interests were declared.

3.23 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th November 2022. Minutes were approved by Council and signed by the Chairman.

4.23 Councillor D. French has now moved abroad leaving a vacancy for a Councillor. Clerk confirmed this post can be left open until the May elections.

5.23 Issues are being experienced with ongoing flooding at the end of Pyecombe Street. Clerk has raised this item with WSCC who will be carrying out cleaning of both jetties and the main tank on 18th January 2023. Clerk has been in contact with WSCC Operation Watershed regarding possible funding to resolve the problem.

6.23 Mid Sussex District Councillors A. Bennett and C. Trumble updated on the following items:

- Enforcement Officers have been given a budget to visit the parish outside their working hours. Councillor Bennett will liaise with Clerk on this matter.
- Mid Sussex District Plan consultation closed on 18th December 2022. Whilst no further update is currently available it is envisaged Regulation 19 consultation will not occur prior to the May election.
- Draft budget going to scrutiny on 11th January 2023. Proposal to increase council tax by 2.7%.
- Councillor Wilson asked about A23 litter picking. Clerk will contact Highways England regarding this.
- Balcombe/Turners Hill areas suffered huge water issues. South East Water have a meeting with MSDC to discuss these issues.
- Constitutional review ongoing. Council numbers reduce from 54 to 48 the objective to ensure councils governance is fit for purpose.
- MSDC received £1 million from the government Shared Prosperity Fund. Monies will be shared with local charities and organisations.
- Councillor Wilson requested a road and pavement sweep along Church Lane, School Lane, and London Road. Councillor Trumble will request this on Council's behalf.

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7.23 Financial Matters

Council agreed the 2023 Budget

Balance Sheet accepted by Council and signed by the Chairman.

Council resolved to set the 2023 Precept at £13,918.00 (thirteen thousand nine hundred and eighteen pounds).

Payments raised since last meeting:

£31.47 B&H SWET Ltd Invoice 63358

£58.77 D. Langston Administration Expenses

£395.90 WSCC Invoice 8001650430

£0.09 EDF Energy Invoice 13573255

£621.34 WSCC Invoice 8001655945

£200.00 Wayfield Park Farm Shop

£415.08 D. Wilson Parish Bulb Project

8.23 To confirm date of next meeting as 14th March 2023.

9.23 Any other business *(Please note that no decisions may lawfully be made under this item but matters may be discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information)*