

Minutes



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Minutes of Westbourne Parish Council's Public Services Committee which took place on Thursday 28 March 2019 at 7.00pm at The Meeting Place, North Street, Westbourne.

Present: Cllr Roy Briscoe, Cllr Richard Hitchcock, Cllr David Mack, Cllr Val Owen, Cllr Syd Smith, Cllr Nigel Ricketts and Clare Kennett, Clerk to the Parish Council.

Cllr Briscoe chaired the meeting. No members of the public were present.

1. Apologies for absence: None.

2. Declarations of interest in the items on the agenda: None.

3. Minutes of the meeting on 15 November 2018: Members agreed the minutes as a true record of the meeting which were signed as such by the Chair.

4. Issues and updates from the minutes of 15 November 2018: None.

5. Update on projects around the Parish: Members considered the following:

- **Parking in The Square:** Cllr Briscoe has not progressed this as he advised the Committee that plans should be up on hold until the revamp of The Square as a whole is further underway. He has however, discussed the issue in detail with WSCC Highways and at that time no solutions could be found with the current layout of the road. Members discussed the possibility of putting a sign on the railings at the very end near the art framing shop to request that cars do not park in this location as they can block the road.
- **Westbourne's buses:** WSCC, as part of its bus review, has agreed not to cut the 54 bus any further. Cllr Briscoe reported that a resident recently took the 54 bus to Chichester but the return bus broke down, and as there is only one service per day, she was effectively unable to get back to Westbourne. Members agreed that the current service remains poor for a Parish the size of Westbourne. Cllr Smith said that a full size single decker bus was travelling on Foxbury Lane on 27 March and came across a tractor travelling in the other direction. This caused a road block which took over 30 minutes to resolve.
- **CCTV:** Asbestos was dumped at Monk's Hill car park in February 2019 and CDC agreed to collect it as it was close to the highway even though it was on Parish Council land. Members discussed the option of installing CCTV at this car park which could also help to prevent drug dealing that may take place. Cllr Briscoe agreed to look into options and prices. Cllr Hitchcock recommended that a consultation takes place to see what the Parish would think of installing CCTV. Cllr Mack recommended that Long Copse Lane is a possible location for CCTV as it is a hotspot for fly tipping.

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- **Village gateways:** Cllr Briscoe is waiting for the road painting company to provide a proposal on options for painting on the road outside the gateways which will then be passed to Highways for approval.
- **Noticeboards:** Cllr Briscoe will discuss options for a noticeboard on the triangle in Woodmancote with the Woodmancote Residents' Association, and will find quotes for a local carpenter who could create one for the Council. Cllr Mack volunteered to look at the existing noticeboards to see if they need some work to tidy them up.
- **Dog fouling:** Cllr Smith is meeting the dog warden on 29 March and will hopefully receive some small signs that he can put up in the village.
- **Fingerposts:** Members agreed that work to the sign in The Square should take place this financial year using the funding that the Council set aside. The Clerk is to progress this.
- **Traffic Regulation Order for Monks Hill:** Members agreed to defer this item until the next committee meeting. Cllr Briscoe informed the Committee that the new 40mph limit is in place on Emsworth Common Road – an extension from Aldsworth and Stansted where the bad bends are.
- **Community Speedwatch Group:** Cllr Briscoe thanked Members and the volunteers for their continued work. Cllr Mack agreed to buy the Speed Indication Devices which CDC has allocated funding towards in the Council's 2018 New Homes Bonus.
- **Tree Wardens and tree survey/works:** The Clerk confirmed that the tree surgeon, Mike Reed, will be carrying out the work as outlined in the tree survey shortly.

6. New issues for the Committee to consider: Cllr Mack said that the Westbourne Club would like their WW1 silhouettes back for an event they are holding in the summer. The Clerk said that they were being stored at the Parish Hall. Cllr Briscoe would like policing to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

7. Announcements and items for the next meeting: Cllr Briscoe said that a resident pointed out that the defibrillator is above a litter bin, which people stub cigarettes out on and could possibly cause a fire and consequently the loss of the defibrillator. Members discussed if the location is right and if the bin could be moved by CDC. The Clerk reported that the bin underneath the Parish Council's noticeboard is also unpleasant – smelling in the summer and people stub cigarettes out on top of it.

8. Date of next meeting: The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled to be held on Thursday 27 June 2019 at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 7.55pm.