

NYTHE, ELDENE & LIDEN
PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 13th November 2017 at 6.30pm
In Nythe Community Centre

- Present** Cllr K Parry (Chair)
Cllr D Bell (Vice-Chair)
Cllr B Cockbill
Cllr G Cruse
Cllr Z Hawson
Cllr A Hunt
Cllr G Stubbs
Cllr B Solomon
Cllr O Ibitoye
- Officers** Sue Frawley (Parish Clerk)
- Public** Four
- 104** **Apologies**
None
- 105** **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
The Chair declared a prejudicial interest in Min 119 as Chair of Planning at Swindon Borough Council and Min 109 and Min 114 as a Trustee of Liden Library Trust.
- 106** **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
Following one amendment to the date in Min 103, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 18 October 2017 be approved as a correct record.
- PUBLIC SESSION** The public asked about litter picking and whether the budget was divided into 3 separate pots. Cllr Parry stated that each area was litter picked according to its needs and that the budget was allocated equally amongst the 3 areas. Concern was also expressed about the lack of litter bins around Eldene centre and that the one there was, was in the wrong place. Cllr Parry stated that the area around the centre was due for redevelopment in the near future, when hopefully this issue would be addressed.
- One member of the public asked whether Swindon had any plans to pursue prosecution of members of the public who drop litter, as had been trialled in Wolverhampton. Cllr Parry said that wherever possible, prosecutions were taking place but that obviously these were not highly advertised.
- Liden Centre – were there any plans to tidy up the litter/cut back the foliage in the wire cage. The Parish Clerk to speak to SBC about getting the wire cage removed and the area tidied.

- 107** **Schedule of Payments**
The Clerk submitted the Schedule of Payments for November 2017 a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.
- RESOLVED** that the Schedule of Payments which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book be approved.
- 108** **Bank Reconciliations and Accounts**
The Clerk submitted Bank Reconciliations and Accounts for October 2017 and the accounts for the 6-month period ending September 2017, a copy of which appears as Appendix B and Appendix C in the Minute Book.
- The Bank Reconciliation and the Accounts for October 2017 and the accounts for the 6-month period ending September 2017 were noted.
- 109** **Draft Budget for the Year 2018-2019**
The Clerk submitted the draft accounts for the Year 2018-2019, which showed that the precept would be able to stay the same as per the previous year. This new budget included supporting Liden Library (with an office), additional pavement sweeping and additional monies available for emergency extra activities. The grass cutting budget for the 3 areas to be combined into one-line item.
- RESOLVED** that the Budget for the Year 2018-2019 which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book be approved.
- 110** **Litter Pickers & Hi-Viz Waistcoats (Min 93 – 18.10.17)**
The Clerk stated that the lowest cost of providing rubbish hoops was £6.80 each.
- RESOLVED** that the Council would purchase 10 rubbish hoops and the cost for this to be taken from general funds.
- 110** **Community Forum Update**
Cllr Hawson updated everyone following the first meeting. It was imperative that residents still reported crime to either the 101 or 999 numbers. The police were busy recruiting more staff to answer the telephone lines. The next Neighbourhood Watch meeting was on 30th November at Nythe Community Centre. The next Community Forum meeting was on 16th January 2018.
- 111** **Neighbourhood Watch - Signs**
Signs were £35 each and a minimum of 5 were required to start with.
- RESOLVED** that 5 would be purchased using the remainder funds available from Cllr Parry's allowance which had not been taken for the year 2017-2018.
- 112** **Nythe, Eldene & Liden Play Parks**
Cllr Parry stated that SBC would not contemplate going the freeholds of the parks to Parish Councils and these would only be available on a 99-year leasehold.

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Matley Moor Park

This park was on un-adopted land, and therefore SBC does not own it. The developer had long since gone out of business. Cllr Hunt asked if there was any way of trying to find out who the owner of the land now was, as the assets of the developer would have been taken over by some company. Cllr Parry to try and find out.

Repairs/maintenance/additional play equipment could be funded out of the transitional funding grant.

RESOLVED that Cllr Parry would bring back to the Council a draft contract for the play parks to be transferred on a leasehold basis, so that the Council could consider the terms of the agreement prior to any signing.

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Liden Library Trust

The meeting considered the email from Sue Tucker. Cllr Parry stated that no payment would be made until April 2018 for the office.

RESOLVED and approved that a payment of £7,500 would be made as a support payment to Liden Library Trust from the budget allocation in the 2017-2018 budget. A copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

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Shaftesbury Lake Clean-Up Day

Cllr Hawson asked for volunteers to help with the clear up. This would be on 2nd December, starting at 11am. Meet on the bridge by the play area. Subsequently agreed that the water would mark the boundary line between NEL Parish and Central Swindon South Parish responsibilities.

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Allotments

Cllr Cruse stated that a new Nythe Allotment Centre constitution had been agreed at their recent AGM. This now showed that priority would be given the Nythe, Eldene and Liden residents. A copy of the constitution is kept with the signed lease.

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Granted Planning Permission

It was noted that Planning Permission has been granted to 17 Kershaw Road, Eldene (erection of a single storey side extension) and the issuing of a certificate of lawful development to 15 Dallas Avenue, Nythe (erection of a conservatory). Planning Permission also granted to 13 Hatherley Road, Nythe (erection of a single storey rear extension and a two-storey side extension).

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Refused Planning Permissions

It was noted that Planning Permission has been refused to 2 Elmore, Eldene (erection of 1 no. dwelling and associated works).

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Planning Applications

S/HOU/17/1735
52 Ashmore Close
Nythe
Swindon, SN3 3PX

Erection of a two-storey extension and 1 no.
dormer window to front

DECISION: No objection

(The Chair declared a prejudicial interest in item 119 and took no part in the discussion and voting thereon.)

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm

The next meeting would take place on 4th December at 6.30pm in Liden Library.

Signed

Date.....
Chair of the Council