

Public time:

- a. A resident mentioned that the PC had been going to include a note about residents in Manor Cottages tending to their shrubs overhanging the pavement in Freefolk **Action:** include in next newsletter
 - b. It was suggested that use of the Millennium green page of Easyfundraising for online Xmas present purchase be circulated in the newsletter **Action:** include in next eNews.
 - c. Last Wednesday it was reported that 3 loads of straw had been transported down the lane and a tree branch had been caught and hay spilled onto the road. **Action:** Request Cllr James Morrison to cut and remove branch.
 - d. One of the front gardens in Priory Lane has suffered from dog poo littering. It was discussed that the best solution was for the affected resident to put a note on their garden fence.
 - e. Cllr Colin Phillimore updated the meeting on the Overton Primary swimming pool situation. The community in Overton need a lot of support. The club will do 100% of the pool maintenance and charge the school for use. They'll need to develop a separate entrance. Raising funding is an issue. The pool can't be leased for more than 5 years and loans generally require longer tenure. The school will align with the rest of Hampshire and pay for one year group only to have lessons p.a.
 - f. HCC budget cuts are coming through – the pensioners' Overton 74 service is under serious threat. Strangely Whitchurch's bus is funded by B&D and Overtons is not. The lollipop service is likely to be axed too.
1. **Apologies for Absence** – David Ellis, Charlie Seligman, James Bretel (JB), James Morrison
In attendance: Bob Hough, Clare Albert, Jo Probut
 2. **Declarations of interest:** Clare - Millennium Green; Bob - Men's Shed.
 3. **Signature and approval of minutes** from PC Meeting of 12th September 2017
 4. **Bombay Sapphire update** – Sam Halsall attended.
Highways will be putting in traffic management w/c 30th Oct. as S278 works are needed. This relates to site line views, tank farm and signage lighting. Line markings and signage are expected to be added.
BS have extended their summer opening hours through October (i.e. 10am - 8pm.) 1st Nov to 22nd March will revert to winter hours (i.e. 11am – 6pm.)
It was commented by Colin Phillimore that the bus service is brilliant as it links Overton and Micheldever station for the first time. It is open for resident's use at £2 per ticket. Usage is currently 150-200 people per week. Tickets can be pre-purchased online and concessionary bus passes are eligible. **Action:** include article in newsletter and include link to timetable on our website. Clare to post on Facebook. Forward to Colin.
 5. **PC Car Park Freefolk** – Bob has completed a B&D Local Infrastructure Fund Expression of Interest which has been approved. The next stage is writing an application that will have to show need and local support in a similar vein to the hard court application made a couple of years back. Colin agreed to write a supporting letter. The funding is not assured as it is from a pot available to all

B&D/parishes. The PC were grateful to Huw Crompton who has written to explain he would like to be involved in the design/project as he has a landscape design background. Comments were made by a resident about the previous plan. Cllr Colin Phillimore reminded the PC and meeting attendees that as a point of order public participation in discussion should be limited to public time.

6. Maintenance

6.1. Autumn maintenance day - Action: Clare to agree suitable maintenance day dates with all parties. It is likely the Spring day will be a larger affair once tree plans have been approved and residual low level tree work will become clear

6.2. Treeworks - Clare has spoken to B&D council and a plan is going in. Once approved we'll have 2 years to undertake the work. Quotes are currently being received. An independent consultant will need to review the trees in the playground. It is expected that at least one of the Chestnuts will need to be removed (fungi plus canker issues). The other 2 may need work in order to increase their life span. The limes will need to be pollarded. Volunteers can do the epicormics tree growth up to 1.5m. **Action:** Clare putting in 2 plans anticipating our requirements for the next couple of years – 1. for Mill Green & 2. for PC (including tree against rough car park fence, ivy stripping/crown raise to 5m rough car park trees and epicormic growth above 1.5m, Beech hedge to 3m along entirety.)

The Beech hedge in Laverstoke Lane car park was also discussed. It was agreed that if we could get it done cheaper than through a 'tree surgeon' it would be preferable. **Action** Colin to provide Jo with the details of someone who did Hedgework for Overton PCC. Jo to speak to Mady Oram to see if Philip Dennee might be able to help with a hedge cutter.

6.3. Annual grounds maintenance contract – Nicky has met with Kieron Beattie to confirm exactly what they cut within the parish and frequency so that the contract can be put out to tender on a fair footing. Bob's maps have been really helpful.

6.4. Potholes - Nicky has raised with HCC the issue of potholes near Poachers Lodge in Laverstoke Lane and Church Road Freefolk. Jo Probut requested that the potholes on the way out of Laverstoke Lane at the B3400 junction be done too.

6.5. Club Signage It was agreed by all that a 3 bar wooden sign at £180 should be ordered and paid for by the PC. **Action:** Nicky to socialise idea with all clubs and order.

7. Community Site updates

7.1. Pavilion –

7.1.1. Men's Shed request for certainty of usage Test Valley Men's Shed have renovated the pavilion and started equipping it. They are keen to secure certainty over longer term use and are concerned that there is no formal link other than Bob's involvement in both PC and TVMS. A licence to occupy is required similar to that used with the Watership Down Nursery. It was felt that a discussion with Charlie present would be beneficial. It was commented how quiet TVMS is currently but that noise control will need to be considered in any agreement. TVMS are currently working out utility costs given just Tues & Thurs opening

before they consider extending their hours and running publicity to open up the membership. It was commented what a fantastic social facility this is for the village. **Action:** When TVMS are ready for publicity, include before/after article in newsletter

- 7.1.2. **Request for metal wood shed.** TVMS have requested to put up a wood shed in front of the practice tennis wall. The mood of the meeting was that as it will be in visual line of houses, and both metal or wooden structures would be an eyesore. However, given Bob's 'interest' there was not a quorum to vote. **Action:** include on next meeting agenda

- 7.2. **Lady Rose Hall – including decision on obtaining re-build estimates for insurance** The PC's request for roof replacement with GRP was accepted by Hiscox but their surveyor had declared PC were underinsured at £736k for LRH (entire building) rebuild cover. His valuation was £1,031k. so 1.the claim is therefore being reduced to £7387.93 from £10500 and 2. The insurance premium will go up by £485.35 for the year. The PC had looked into undertaking an independent survey with a view to challenging but time to implement could be up to 30 days which would leave the building vulnerable in the meantime. Clare proposed PC go ahead with increasing rebuild cover , Bob seconded and all were in favour. Jo raised issue that Kingfisher would probably have an issue with taking on further unplanned expense and the Councillors agreed unanimously that the increase in premium resulting would only be picked up by the PC **Action** – Nicky to increase cover from tomorrow

- 7.3. **Tennis/Archery areas** – no update

8. Finance

- 8.1. **Finance Report Sept** – see below table. Amounts over £100 ex VAT:

- 8.1.1. **Income:** Watership Down Nursery rent £625; Precept £5000
8.1.2. **Outgoings:** Southern Fire protection £107.40; HMRC VAT £112.28; Came & Co insurance £1979.33; Kieron Beattie £227; Clerk Aug pay £318.24; BDO £200; L&F Pensioners £200
8.1.3. {In the meeting £107 was erroneously shown under Community Site projects and it should have been under Property Repair/Maintenance as shown correctly in amended table below}

9. Correspondence

The clerk had been on copy on B&D tree officer's reply to a resident at 1 Marsden court that a tree they wish to fell is subject to a Tree preservation Order

10. Plans - none

Next PC meeting: Tues 14th Nov 2017 at 7.30pm at Lady Rose Hall

Sign.....Date.....

Laverstoke and Freefolk Parish Council Mtg 10th Oct 2017 Minutes

Laverstoke & Freefolk Parish Council					
Month:	September	Year	17		
	(6 of 12)				
Income and Expenditure Statement (Cash basis)					
	Parish Council		Lady Rose Hall/Community Site		
	Year to Date	Full year	Year to Date	Full year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	
	£	£	£	£	
Precept	10,000	10,000	n/a	n/a	
Grants	888	888			
Hall Hire - Nursery	n/a	n/a	3,694	7,500	
Hall Hire - Other	n/a	n/a	831	2,934	
Other Rent (garages, WTC)	90	120	1,833	1,833	
Other income	1.91	64	142.60	1,266	
Refund			269.29		
Internal Xfr	-		-		
Income	10,980	11,072	6,771	13,533	
Salary/Newsletter	2,291	4,737	n/a	n/a	
Training	-	30	n/a	n/a	
Insurance	-	481	1,979	481	
Professional fees	733	520	-		
Subscriptions	-	200	n/a	n/a	
Grounds Maint.	1,115	1,715	-	500	
Street Lighting	167	350	n/a		
Street Furniture	-	500	n/a		
SID Management		920	n/a		
Other expenses	17.58	300	n/a		
Cleaning	n/a	n/a	133	100	
Utilities	n/a	n/a	700	1,721	
Property Repair/Maint.	n/a	n/a	107	2,215	
Rates	205	-		-	
Internal Xfr	-	-			
Running costs	4,528	9,753	2,919	5,017	
Grants Made	520	1,300			
			-		
Project cost	-	-	-	-	
Net Vat	288		-234		
Total Expenditure	5,336	11,053	2,685	5,017	
Net income/(cost)	5,644	19	4,086	8,516	
	As at end:	Full year	As at end:	Full year	
	September	Budget	September	Budget	
	£	£	£	£	
Cash reserves					
b/f @31.3.17	10,410	10,410	30,757	30,757	
Movement	5,644	19	4,086	8,516	
Cash reserves c/f	16,054	10,429	34,843	39,273	