

HAWKCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Hawkchurch Village Hall on Tuesday 18th October 2016

Present: Cllr's T Greenshields (Chairman), D Searle, J Baker, S Bartlett, S Matthews, N Over, C Lewis and R Churchill

In Attendance: The Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe) and seven members of the public

The chairman informed the meeting that Cllr P Searle had sadly passed away the previous week and offered his condolences to the family. He made mention to the sterling work undertaken by this councillor over a number of years.

Cllr C Lewis announced that he would be leaving Hawkchurch to live in Gillingham (Dorset) shortly, therefore he was submitting his resignation. The chairman thanked him for his service to the council over many years.

219	Apologies Apologies received from Cllr A Moulding (Devon County Council) , Cllr I Hall (East Devon District Council) and PCSO Widger (Police).
220	Declarations of Interest There were no Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct at this stage of the meeting.
221	Minutes The Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 20 th September 2016 were adopted as a true record
222	Matters Arising There were no matters arising
223	Police Report A written report had been received and duly circulated. There had been no reported crimes fir Hawkchurch in September.
224	County and District Report Cllr Moulding had sent out a report which was noted.
225	Democratic Period Cllr D Searle asked the meeting what his response should be as the council's

	<p>representative on the village hall committee regarding the possibility of felling the tree so that the village shop could be re-located. After some debate it was decided that the matter was between the Village Hall committee and the Community Shop Committee.</p>
226	<p>Removal of Pay Phone Correspondence had been received the previous month regarding the consultation period for the withdrawal of the pay phone facility in the village. Agreed that because of the proved low usage of the facility it would be difficult to fight for retention. The clerk reminded the meeting that a few years ago we had managed to retain the facility because of the poor mobile reception in the area; however this was no longer the case. The clerk explained what would happen if we adopted the pay phone and stated that BT would take out the equipment. Resolved to adopt the Pay Phone.</p>
226	<p>Finance</p> <p>A. The following accounts were agreed for payment: Axminster DALC £10.00 (887), The Royal British Legion £20.00 (888).</p> <p>B. External Audit Report: Grant Thornton had provided an unqualified audit report for the year ending 31st March 2016. Under other matters they commented that we had provided more than the 30 days required for the exercising of public rights to view the accounts, and asked that in future we restrict ourselves to that period. They had requested sight of the notice of the appointed date for the exercise of electors for 2015, which sadly could not be found, and although confirmation had been given that said notice had been displayed they had pointed out that a copy of the notice should have been displayed. The council resolved to accept the audit and to note the comments.</p>
227	<p>Planning</p> <p>a) The Planning chairman informed the meeting that he had still not received a response regarding S106 funding for the gate by the school</p> <p>b) 16/2260/Ful Appledore Cottage, Hawkchurch: Field shelter for animals and storage. This application had been supported by delegated authority.</p> <p>c) Stonebarrow: Noted that there had been 402 objections. The planning chairman was thanked for his efforts on this application.</p> <p>d) 16/2386/Ful Old Vicarage, Hawkchurch: Conservatory and extension to garage. Support</p> <p>e) Determinations: No new determinations</p> <p>f) Neighbourhood Plan: It was agreed to put this on hold pending another meeting of the steering group. Clerk would ask Chardstock for a copy of their plan.</p> <p>g) Old Inn: A proposal had been submitted to the landlord of the Old Inn, but no response had to date been received.</p>
228	<p>Highways Cllr Over had spoken with the Rights of Way Section regarding the possible diversion over land owned by Mr Searle. They had informed him that it was quite expensive because of the requirement to advertise it in a local newspaper, however new legislation hopefully coming out in the new year would hopefully reduce that cost.</p>

	<p>Neither the highway authority or district council were the worried about the access that had been made opposite the war memorial. The parish council could pay to have a closing post erected providing they obtained the landowners permission. Cllr Greenshields would speak with the landowner.</p> <p>Cllr Over had spoken with our lengthsman regarding works in the parish. Agreed that a specification of works should be provided and that one day a month should be allocated to works in this parish. Once awarded the contract should last for three years.</p>
229	<p>Correspondence Meeting at Axminster Guildhall on Tuesday 25th October 7.30pm to discuss the possible changes to District Council Wards.</p> <p>Letter requesting that the council objects to further cuts in beds, this time at Seaton Hospital. Agreed that the clerk would write.</p>
230	<p>Items of Urgency Nil</p>
231	<p>Next Meeting 15th November 2016 at 8pm</p>