



HYTHE AND DIBDEN PARISH COUNCIL

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To:

All Members of the Council
District and County Councillors for the Parish

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30 November 2010

Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Council to be held in The Grove, 25 St. John's Street, Hythe on Monday next, 6 December 2010, at 8.00 pm.

Yours faithfully

Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Discussion with Inspector Langridge from Hythe Police Station.
3. To note any declaration of interest made by Members in connection with an Agenda item. The nature of the interest must be specified.
4. To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 1 November 2010.
5. Public Forum – up to 15 minutes will be allowed in accordance with Standing Order 17 for the Public Forum.
6. Chairman's Announcements.
7. Reports of the County Councillors on County Council matters concerning the Parish.
8. Reports of District Councillors on District Council matters concerning the Parish.
9. Reports of Representatives on Outside Bodies.
10. Questions to District, County Councillors and representatives on Outside Bodies arising from their reports.
11. Questions under Standing Orders 25 and 26.

12. To receive and adopt the attached Minutes of the following Committee:-

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| a) | Planning Committee | 1 November 2010 |
| b) | Personnel Committee | 8 November 2010 |
| c) | Planning Committee | 15 November 2010 |

13. Community Safety Update.

14. Continued Membership of HALC.

15. Proposed Budget and Precept 2011/12.

16. Request to Switch on lights at Netley View Skate Park.

17. Bus Shelter – Outside Tesco.

18. Mobile Library Service Survey.

19. Signing of Documents –

Lease Agreement between Nick Gilbert of Global IT Solutions and Parish Council in respect of office accommodation – Room 101 at The Grove.

20. Accounts for Payment.

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Item 13 Community Safety Update

CCTV

All seven cameras continue to be monitored by New Forest District Council. Over the past three months there were 32 incidents recorded which ranged from anti-social behaviour, criminal damage, missing persons.

ACSO's

The team have continued to develop their relationship with both members of the public and partner organisations. Norman has introduced an email update service for members of the public and other interested parties. This appears to have been well received.

Over the last three months there have been 71 calls to the dedicated Community Safety telephone line and 242 emails received from local residents.

General

The Deputy Clerk continues to attend the New Forest District Council Joint Action Group (JAG) meetings.

Member's views are requested.

Item 14 Continued Membership of HALC

Association of Local Councils (**HALC**) and National Association of Local Councils (**NALC**)

At the last Council meeting the Chairman of the Council gave an update on HALC's Annual General Meeting and in particular the resolution to increase their fees by 8%. Council agreed that they should discuss the issue at the next Council meeting.

With the new increase, the cost to the Parish Council in 2011/12 will be £972 (£900 in 2010/11) for membership of HALC and £851 (£851 in 2010/11) giving a total cost of £1823.

At present a local Council has the option of being

- a) Member of both organisations.
- b) Member of HALC only

It is not possible at this point in time to be a member of NALC only.

Member's views are requested.

Item 15 Proposed Budget and Precept 2011/12

Attached is the above Budget Report which members are asked to consider and agree/amend along with the proposed fees and charges and the Precept for 2011/12.

Item 16 Request to Switch on lights at Netley View Skate Park

The Young Persons Strategy Group has requested the Council to consider switching on the lights at Netley View Skate Park.

Members will recall that the lights were taken out of service because of ongoing vandalism and complaints from nearby residents. In order to secure the electric switch gear and to prevent a serious accident it was necessary to weld the control box shut.

Following the request from the Young Persons Strategy Group an inspection of the lights was carried out by a qualified Electrician. A number of defects have been identified including, all of the light fittings have been smashed which has rendered them unusable. In addition the audible alarm device which signalled that the lights were about to go out is damaged. Concerns over the electrical feed were also expressed

An approximate cost of repair is £14000; this includes replacing the light fittings, control box and audible alarm together with ensuring that all electrical fixings and wiring is safe and tested.

The existing light columns are approximately ten years old.

Members views are requested, however if the request is refused Members are recommended to consider authorising the removal of the light columns and control box to prevent any health and safety concerns which may arise in the future. An approximate cost to undertake the work is £2600.

Item 17 Bus Shelter – Outside Tesco

Hampshire County Council has requested that the Parish Council consider adopting responsibility for the bus shelter which is located on Claypits Lane outside of the Tesco Supermarket.

Investigations carried out by Hampshire County Council and New Forest District Council have been unable to ascertain who is legally responsible for the shelter's upkeep.

In order to facilitate any possible transfer, the County Council have offered up to £5,500. The money could be used to replace the existing shelter which is in a state of disrepair. The remainder of the money could be allocated as a contribution towards future maintenance costs.

Member's views are requested.

Item 18 Mobile Library Service Survey

Attached is a consultation letter from Hampshire County Council who are reviewing all of their mobile library services. Also attached are details of the current routes.

Hampshire County Council has extended the deadline for comments to the 8 December to allow the Council to complete the survey.

Member's views are requested.