

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Friday 14 October 2016 at The Council Offices,
Post Office Road at 6.00pm.**

Present: Cllr S Payne, Cllr C Hipkin, Cllr K Hathaway, Cllr C Davey, Cllr B Anderson,
Cllr K Green, Cllr A Hobson, Cllr P Edwards, Cllr D Wright. Cllr B Hopkins,
Cllr J Houston & Cllr Brundle

In attendance: Sarah Bristow (Clerk)

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider passing the following resolution:

“That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.”

12328 Apologies for absence

12329 Declarations of interest

None Received.

12340 Flagpole

There was a discussion that included the following points.

Why Cllr Houston, Cllr Green & Cllr Brundle had felt the need to involve the press.

When the Council debated removing and replacing the flagpole, why this was not discussed with Royal British Legion Branch members

A Contractor was obstructed when carrying out work on behalf of the Council

Why the concrete base was not returned to Cllr Green.

Why the new flagpole did not have a base cover.

There was a very heated debate; Cllr Hipkin left the meeting at 18:20. With the meeting at stalemate, Cllr Anderson in accordance with Standing Order 1 (r) moved that the meeting proceed to the next agenda item. This was carried.

12341 War Memorial Gardens

The Council were in agreement that the work undertaken by Cllrs Green, Houston and Brundle was commendable but could not continue without a Service Level Agreement in place, to cover the Council and Cllrs Green, Houston and Brundle acting as members of the public. The Clerk advised that legal advice had been sought. It was proposed by Cllr Wright and Cllr Edwards that the Council puts out the maintenance of the gardens to tender so that the garden maintenance is regular and meets Council's requirements. Cllr Hathaway said that she felt that the gardens were getting too much for Mrs Brundle and would the group wish to take care of just the flowerbeds and the Council to take on all other maintenance. The Clerk advised that Mr Green, Mr Houston & Mrs Brundle had agreed to advertise for more volunteers and form a Community Group but there is no evidence of this happening. Mr Green advised that he has advertised and has received some help through his facebook page. Cllr Hathaway invited Cllr Green to write an article for the next edition of the Village

Voice. **It was resolved for Cllr Green to write an article and get to Cllr Hathaway as soon as possible.**

Cllr Brundle wanted to continue working on the whole garden not just the flowerbeds, and Cllr Brundle agreed to sign the SLA on behalf of the group.

It was resolved for Cllr Payne to review the previous SLA and for Cllr Brundle to sign on behalf of the group. This would initially be for a three or six month period.

Cllr Brundle asked for permission to replace the Christmas lights around the garden.

Approval was given for white lights only, but not for the 'arch' over the Station Road gate.

12342 Date & Place of next meetings.

Full Council Meeting on Monday 31 October 2016 starting 7.00pm at Dersingham Infant & Nursery Site, Saxon Way, Dersingham.

With no further business the meeting closed at 7.15pm.