

HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre, Adastra Park, Hassocks.

Present:	David Cumberland (Chairman)	Peter Gibbons
	Jane Baker	Sue Hatton
	Alan Berry	Bill Hatton
	Leslie Campbell	Paul King
	Steven Ecroyd	Darryl Sinclair
	Judith Foot	Frank Rylance
	Penny Wadsworth	Ian Weir

Clerk: Linda Baker

14/54 Apologies for Absence. There were no apologies for absence from council members. Absent without apology, Chris Bere. County Councillor Andy Petch, District Councillor Gordon Marples, and PCSO Jade Harrison sent their apologies.

14/55. Declarations of Interest. None.

There were no members of the public present, so there was no adjournment for public participation.

14/56 Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 May 2014. The minutes were taken as read, agreed by the meeting, and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

14/57 Minutes and Reports.

- a) **Police Report.** The crime figures for May 2014 were noted.
- b) **District Councillors' Report.** Sue Hatton reported that MSDC were involved in the investigation of failings at a care home in Copthorne, although they were not the lead agency. The MSDC Wellbeing Group was circulating a list of useful contacts to inform people of where they can get help, and parish councils would be included in the circulation.
- c) **County Councillor's Report.** A report from County Councillor Andy Petch had been circulated, reporting on:
 - The CLC meeting on 16 June 2014 at Oakmeads
 - Footpath 12k maintenance work
 - WSCC council meeting on 6 June 2014, TRO for 22-24 Keymer Road, Hassocks
 - WSCC Anniversary Service.

Members discussed priorities for the Communities Issues List, which could be taken up through the CLC. (This would be the subject of discussion at



Environment Committee as previously agreed, (minute 14/17 of the 11 February 2014 council meeting refers)).

- d) Planning Committee Meetings, 12 May and 2 June 2014.** The minutes were noted.
- e) Policy, Resources and Communications Committee Meeting 20 May 2014.** The minutes were noted.
- f) Neighbourhood Plan Working Group.** The minutes were noted.
- g) Rail Matters.** Leslie Campbell reported on the Rail Group meeting held on 23 May 2014. The future of the group had been discussed now that the station rebuild had been completed, but it was agreed to focus on service improvements, particularly as a new franchise would be in place. The group did not want to deal with bus services, so a separate bus group might be established.

14/58 Meetings of Outside Bodies. None.

14/59 Chairman’s Remarks.

- a) **Councillor Support.** The Chairman reported that he and the Vice Chairman had sent a joint email to all councillors on 5 June 2014 offering to be available at any time for help and support for councillors who were unclear about their role or needed advice on the best way to bring new ideas forward. He was also hoping to arrange informal meetings to improve communications when forward strategy could be discussed.

14/60 Clerk’s Report. There were no items to bring forward.

14/61 Financial Report. The Financial Report and list of cheques presented for May 2014 were approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

14/62 Correspondence. None.

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There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.

Chairman.....

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