



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 15th September 2020, Heckfield Village Hall

6.30pm site meeting Village Hall Cottage; 7pm Parish Council meeting

Present Parish Councillors Brian Baker, Ian Bowman, David Hunt, Simon Richards.

Clerk Susan Turner

2020

AGREED Simon Richards to Chair the meeting.

22 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Apologies Paul Burton (Chairman), Stephen Harnett

To record measures in place to minimise Covid-risk, open windows, hand sanitisers provided, seating 2m apart, no shared documents, windows open.

23 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING of 13th July, agreed & signed.

24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST in items on the Agenda – none

25 VILLAGE HALL COTTAGES

AGREED Following site visit, builder should be engaged asap to put in the French drain as requested by Conservation to divert water away from the walls, a chemical damp proof course not being appropriate.

AGREED To set target budget for cottages and assess what needed to make habitable.

26 HIGHWAYS & RIGHTS OF WAY

26.1 Village connectivity – permissive paths Ian Bowman reported agreement with Coldpiece Farm land agent for three permissive path routes. **APPENDIX I**

- i From B3349 south of roundabout at site of bus stop.
- ii From Bramshill Road 3011 opposite Heckfield Place.
- iii To Oak tree by Laundry Lane.

TO RECORD Parish Council thanks to Ian Bowman & Cold Piece Farm.

26.2 Footway to New Inn

Highways have confirmed the 'old road' A32 never legally had Highways Rights removed, therefore right of access remains. As such the Parish has permission to clear this access – legally it's a road and as such a right of way.

Note There is the potential to a licence from HCC to manage the whole area – but then that would give the Parish responsibility for all of it. Maybe for the future?

AGREED Parish Lengthsman to clear access.

26.3 Footpaths cut by LM – 502 Pound Copse (Wellington Riding); 10 Chandlers Green.

26.4 Traffic calming B3349 – Email sent to HCC road safety outlining Parish Council priorities re signage and pedestrian crossing points. Seems for some website research that cost of pedestrian refuge islands is in the region of £10 to £12K. Clerk has phone call scheduled with HCC road safety on 18th September.

26.5 Traffic data recorders

AGREED To loan Speed Indicator device from Mattingley for use as data recorder only, in exchange for charitable donation.

ACTION Clerk to discuss with HCC re permission, licences etc.

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27 PLANNING

27.1 Parish Planning applications

- i 20/01910/FUL (Validated 13 Aug 2020) Cherry Tree Farm, Chandlers Green. Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling with associated landscaping and car parking.
 Applicants appealed the June application on non-determination. New application is a duplicate of the previous – submitted so Case Officer can continue to consider – as consideration of the previous one automatically cut off by going to Appeal.
 Case officer Peter Lee has agreed to proceed on this basis. New application has been accepted providing the appeal is put on hold. According to case officer, the sticking point is the business case. This has to be proved for policy requirement. Applicants have been there 15 years but only showed a small profit for last three.
 The case officer considered that there is no benefit in the Parish Council submitting a further response. It is the business information that is crucial. He may be minded to approve if received the supporting accounts. If not will refuse.
 It seems the SANG issue can be overcome. Hart not considering new SANG until October meeting, but there are means of achieving via other Districts in the Housing Market Area.
- ii No other new applications for discussion.
 There is an Pre-app enquiry for a 'replacement dwelling' at Whitewater Stables.
- iii See **APPENDIX II** for all current applications relating to the Parish.

27.2 Central and Eastern Berkshire (CEB) Minerals and Waste Plan

The plan is now at Reg 19 Proposed Submission consultation.
 This was briefly discussed at July 2020 meeting relation to application for the 'Swallowfield Gravel Pit'. Also re Hants' 'Duty to Co-operate'.
 Then at Reg 18 consultation – the Plan had 'lost' the site at Bridge farm and so considering Swallowfield site 'Land West of Basingstoke Road' to in-part replace it.

NOTED Re the Swallowfield site, it had been noted in discussion that so much mitigation required that the site would cost itself out... It seems this may be the case and no decision has yet been taken. According to the sites statement of July 2020: 'Outcome: To be taken forward to Sustainability Appraisal stage for a full assessment.'

APPENDIX III

28 FINANCE.

28.1 Payments for approval

296	David Hunt	For wheelie bin stickers / signage	£270.00
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29 Next meeting November, date tba

Meeting closed pm with thanks to all present

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