

MINUTES of the MEETING of WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC)
Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th June 2024 in the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney

Present: Cllr Judith Polak (elected Chairman of the meeting), Cllr Rob Parker,
Cllr Georgina Tibbetts, Cllr David Price, Cllr Andrew Porteous.
In attendance: HCCllr Jackie Porter, WCCllr Caroline Horrill.
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Clerk Jocelyn Jenkins

2272	1.1	Apologies for Absence Cllr Pauline Maunder, Cllr Kevin Maunder, WCCllr Stephen Godfrey.	Closed	
2273	1.2	Any Declarations of Interest to be declared/dispensations agreed. Cllr Parker declared an interest in respect of the land at Brightlands which has been included in the updated SHELAA. Cllr Porteous – Gratton Trust (NPI) and planning application 721 (see 2280.1 below).	Closed	
2274	1.3	Minutes of the Annual Meeting and ordinary meetings of 8 th May 2024 and the Parish Assembly of 9 th May 2024 were carried forward for signing at the July meeting.	Closed	
2275	1.4	Co-option No candidates for co-option attended the meeting.		
	2	<u>Reports – the meeting adjourned during reports.</u>		
	2.1	The Public: A resident noted that a number of the allotments appear neglected. It was agreed to allow four weeks notice and then carry out allotment inspections in July.		
	2.2	Report from HCCllr Jackie Porter: HCCllr Porter provided a written report (appendix 1) which noted the change of Leader at HCC and the subsequent changes ensuing from this. HCCllr Porter advised that she is meeting with Emma Noyce (HCC Countryside) and will raise the issue of the grant refusal with her. HCCllr Porter has received a letter from Southern Water which is noted for circulation to residents in Sutton Scotney but does not appear to have been sent (as at 12 th June). HCCllr Porter will forward the letter for circulation to councillors.		
	2.3	Report from WCCllr Caroline Horrill: WCCllr Horrill noted that the General Election on 4 th July has curtailed much City Council business. It was possible to hold a meeting last week to agree upon the food collection vehicles to be purchased, as there was a key date by which they needed to be ordered in order to commence collections in 2026. 12 food collection trucks and one EV general waste truck are being purchased. Residents will receive a 'kitchen caddy' and outdoor bin with a locking lid. The food waste trucks will not be electric but routes are to be re-organised to reduce journeys/miles travelled. The George 5 th pavilion is now open and will be the home of girls' football in Winchester. The sale of the depot site (near the leisure centre) and the Central Winchester Projiect have been delayed by the election. WCCllr Horrill noted that Kings Barton residents are organising a petition against the closure of Andover Road (scheduled for 2026). The Scrutiny Committee will review the Regulation 19 Local Plan on 29 th July and residents will have the opportunity to comment on this in the Autumn.		
		The meeting resumed after reports.		
2276	3	<u>Correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting</u>		
		The Council discussed and agreed actions for the following issues:		
2276.1	3.1	WCC Parish Liaison Briefing 20th June, Wykeham Room, Guildhall Details noted.	Closed	
2276.2	3.2	Winchester District Focus Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) – consultation is open and runs until Sunday 7 th July.	Closed	
2276.3	3.3	Sunshine Club grant request for new bingo machine – It was agreed to pay the full cost of the bingo machine for the Sunshine Club (£152 net + £8.50 delivery).	Clerk	
2276.4	3.4	Hants Police South East Cyber Policing Team – Presentations available on avoiding cyber-crime. Cllr Parker will liaise with the Community Café to see if they could host a presentation for residents.	Cllr Parker	
2276.5	3.5	HCC Countryside Access Team re Seasonal vegetation management Advisory that contractors will no longer be used to assist staff in the cutting of vegetation on footpaths. Problems on footpaths should still be reported via the HCC website. Noted.	Closed	
2276.6	3.6	HALC County Forum Launch 19th June 2024, Winchester Guildhall Details noted.	Closed	
2276.7	3.7	Ron Bailey, parliamentary advisor to Lord Foster re bill for improving the safety of lithium batteries and their disposal It was agreed to support the bill.	Closed	

2276.8	3.8	HCC Findings of Future Services Consultation Due to the General Election decisions on proposals in relation to the findings of the Future Services Consultation will be postponed until the autumn.			Closed	
		Matters arising from the minutes of 8th May 2024. The Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following issues:				
2277	4	General Matters				
2277.1	2266.1	Gratton Trust – <u>New mower</u> – The mower is due to be delivered during June. <u>Perimeter path</u> – The path has been completed and payment is included at 2281.1 below. It was noted that the accounts of the Gratton Trust are no longer being shared with the Parish Council. It was agreed to ask the Chairman of the Trust if this practice could resume. A letter of complaint about issues at the Gratton has been received by the Parish Council. The points raised were discussed and will be communicated to the Chairman of the Trust.				
2277.2	2266.2	Emergency & Flood Plans The draft Emergency Plan has been submitted to HCC for review. Updated notices will be printed for the noticeboards.			Clerk	
2277.3	2266.3	Village Greening Campaign/WeCan/Declaration of a Climate Emergency – No new matters were identified for consideration this month.				
2277.4	2266.4	Grant request from hedgehog rescue – Further details on the grant request have not been received. Off agenda.				
2278	5	PLAY AREAS Council discussed and agreed actions for the following:				
2278.1	2267.1	Stoke Charity/Hunton Play Area (STCH&H) – Monthly Inspection Issues with the gate will be added to the July agenda for consideration.			Clerk	
2278.2	2267.2	Pigeonhouse Yard (PHY) Play Area – No new issues have been identified. <u>Soakaway</u> – The new agent has been in contact with the Pigeon House Yard residents committee but has not directly contacted the Parish Council.			Clerk	
2279	6	HIGHWAYS ISSUES - FOOTPATHS, GRIT BINS etc Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following:				
2279.1	2268.1	Footpath 7 Access – HCCllr Porter is seeking clarification on the grant refusal for the new accessible gate. (See 2.2 above).				
2279.2	2268.2	Footpaths & Bridleways – No new issues were noted.				
2279.3	2268.3	Noticeboards – Carried forward to the July meeting.				
2279.4	2268.4	SID – It was agreed to experiment with using different settings on the SID to see if extra data could be extracted to show how effective the device is in altering driver behaviour. A decision on the purchase of a second device will be deferred until more data is available.				
2279.5	2268.5	Oxford Road Gateways – Drawings of two gateway options were reviewed. These options would both be fully funded by monies held by HCC Highways for use in the Parish. It was agreed to choose Option 1 and the Clerk will advise HCC whilst also chasing the other signage work which was promised.				
2280	7	PLANNING				
		New applications detailed below were considered and agreed as follows:				
2280.1	721	Chestnut Cottage, Bullington Lane, Sutton Scotney.	Demolition of existing conservatory & lean-to and replacement with new single storey rear extension.	24/00909/HOU No comment		
2280.2	722	The Old Estate Cottage, The Avenue, Winchester Hill, Sutton Scotney.	Retrospective application for brick built enclosure to house water cylinder and air-source heat pump.	24/00812/HOU No comment		
2280.3	2269.2	Winchester Local Plan – As noted at 2.3 above, it will not be known until 29 th July whether WCC have included a housing allocation for Sutton Scotney at the Regulation 19 stage of the Local Plan. As it seems likely that an allocation will be included, it was agreed to continue to seek written testimonies, photos etc showing the experiences of residents living with sewerage issues, tankering or trying to connect to the pipeline. The draft Flood Assessment Report commissioned by the Parish Council for the Dairy Field site was approved. The report for the Brightlands site is to follow this.				
2280.4	2269.3	Village Design Statement – The draft VDS is currently being written up.				
2280.5	2269.4	Southern Water Pipeline – Now dealt with under 2280.3 above. Off agenda (as separate item).				
2281	8	ACCOUNTS/AUDIT				
2281.1	2270.1	Balances: As at 31/05/24 General Reserves are £99,136.08 but after Earmarked Reserves of £94,494 are £4642.08. Payments for June (detailed below) totalling £19,364.93 were agreed by the Council.			Closed	
		Infinity Playgrounds Ltd Gratton walkway 15982.32				

		Clear Insurance 24/25 Insurance 958.89 Dever Stores Parish assembly refreshments 65.80 Pauline Maunder Printer paper (for notices) 8.40 HALC LCPD membership 2024/25 216.00 Grass & Grounds Ltd April grass cutting 169.91 WCC Annual play inspections 131.88 HMRC 1 st Qtr PAYE 456.98 Hants Pension Fund May contributions 371.76 Jocelyn Jenkins May expenses 120.61 Jocelyn Jenkins June salary 870.39 Hugo Fox Monthly website fee 11.99 19364.93		
2281.2	2270.2	Annual Return 2023/24 – The Annual Return has been submitted to the external auditor.		
2281.3	2270.5	Insurance 2024/25 – Following further discussions with Zurich and Clear Insurance, the 24/25 cover has been renewed with Clear Insurance (formerly BHIB). Off agenda.		
2281.4	New	NALC Model Financial Regulations 2024 The Model Financial Regulations were reviewed. A draft will be circulated to councillors and approval sought at the July meeting.		
2281.5	New	Pensions Discretions Policy 2024 It was agreed to accept the updated policy and this will be forwarded to the Hants Pension scheme.		
2282	9	Other Council Matters		
2282.1	2271.1	Publicity & Communications – West Dever News item – August item needs to be submitted by 10 th July – details of any Regulation 19 housing allocation(s) will not be known until 29 th July but draw residents attention to the importance of this.		
2282.2	2271.2	Risk Management – No new issues have been reported.		
2282.3	2271.3	Parish Assembly, 9 th May 2024 – Review carried forward to the July meeting.		
9.25pm		Next meeting – Wednesday 10 th July 2024 at 7.30pm in the meeting room of the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney.		
Signed: Chairman dated.....				