

MINUTES OF THE MICHELDEVER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held at the Warren Centre, Andover Road, Micheldever Station

at 7.30pm on Wednesday 5th January 2022

Councillors present: Anne Freeland (Chair to 7.40pm), Olive Bramley, Roger Townsend, David Wandless, Peter O’Keefe, Graham Foot, Neil Hornby, William Helen (from 7.40pm and Chair from 7.40pm).
In attendance: HCCllr Jackie Porter, DCllr Stephen Godfrey, DCllr Caroline Horrill.
Clerk: Jocelyn Jenkins
Public: 2
Apologies: Cllr Andrew Adams, Cllr Charlotte Cobb.

135 CODE OF CONDUCT Cllr Helen – East Stratton Village Hall, Cllr Bramley – East Stratton Village Hall, Cllr O’Keefe – Greening Campaign.

136 MINUTES of the meeting of 1st December 2021 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

137 MATTERS ARISING from the minutes

137.1 126.1 Village Clock There has been an issue with the winding of the clock this week and Peter Bradley will be asked whether this is something that he might be able to resolve whilst also seeking to install a new cable to re-instate the chime.

The meeting adjourned for reports and questions from the public

138 REPORTS

138.1 HCCllr Jackie Porter provided a written report (Appendix 1) which noted the joint HCC/WCC consultation on the Winchester Movement Strategy which is open until midnight on Friday 11th February.

In addition, HCCllr Porter mentioned the pony and trap racing on the A33 and that it might be possible to ‘design out’ the problems. She has a meeting with Jon Turton (Hants Police) and will raise this possibility with him.

HCCllr Porter has contacted WCC and the HCC Safer Routes to School Team about the parking issues at The Crease but it has been identified that these are not really a school issue.

A reminder was made that school places must be applied for and are not automatically given to those living within the school catchment.

138.2 DCllr Stephen Godfrey noted, following an update received from WCC Planning Department, that the lack of response to the Planning Contravention Notices issued at Carousel Park is being reviewed and that enforcement notices will now be issued in a phased way. The notices are being drawn up by the enforcement contractor and a meeting will be held next week to decide on the phasing of their issue.

The consultation on the wetland project has been completed and planning permission has now been applied for. A decision on the development of the old Silver Hill site is due soon.

138.3 DCllr Caroline Horrill noted that she had no report as DCllr Godfrey had covered the relevant matters but that she was happy to take any questions.

Cllr Wandless, having reported fly tipping, noted that he had received a notice stating that the report was closed but the rubbish had not actually been removed.

DCllr Horrill agreed to investigate this.

Cllr Helen noted that a contractor has been cutting verges throughout the area but that this should have been done in the summer and that it would be ineffective and therefore a waste of money to cut in the winter when there is no growth.

139 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

139.1 A resident attended the meeting to note the improvements at the LRPF since the Worthys have been involved and to ask how locals could help.

Cllr Helen noted that continuing to support the Worthys and encouraging others to become involved would be most effective and that the resident could contact the Worthys directly or through the Clerk who can supply contact details.

Chairman’s initials Date

The meeting resumed

140 CORRESPONDENCE received by the Clerk in the past month:

WCC Landscape Character A consultation will run from 10th January to Cllrs Hornby and O’Keefe to

Assessment	21 st February.	review.
Rights of Way Donation	Resident, David Findley, has made a donation towards the cost of repairing the ROW info board.	The Clerk to contact David.
Hampshire ALC	A campaign is being conducted for a review of the Community Governance procedure.	Noted.

141 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

- | <u>141.1 New Applications</u> | <u>Detail</u> | <u>Draft comments</u> |
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| 541 Land off Church Street, M'ever | Change of use from agricultural to non-agricultural wetland. Excavate three ponds connected by wide open channels. | It was noted that the boundary as shown on the application differs from the previous advice. DCllr Horrill will investigate. |
| 542 Manor Farm Cottage, Sloe Lane, Micheldever | Ash to reduce to hedge height. | No comment. |
| 543 Bradley Farm, Basingstoke Road, Micheldever | A series of extensions, internal alterations and the conversion of the existing garage to habitable space. | No comment. |
- 141.2 The draft comments on 542 to 543 were **agreed**. A decision on 541 was deferred until further detail is received about the boundary of the project area.
- 141.3 130.3 Affordable Housing & Exception Sites It was **agreed** to support the revised parking proposals for Southbrook Cottages. No further update has been received about Barron Close.
- 141.4 130.4 Village Design Statement Following a minor change at SB16 the final version of the VDS has been submitted to WCC. It is hoped that it will now be included on the decision day on 7th February.
- 141.5 130.5 Winchester Local Plan & Call For Sites The sites included in the SHELAA are on the WCC website and details of those in the parish have been circulated to councillors. DCllr Horrill thinks that meetings will still take place between planning officers and parish councils but noted that any errors or technical points relating to any of the sites can be advised to WCC now. The Chairman suggested that the planning committee meet to review the sites and DCllr Horrill offered to join a remote meeting and offer guidance on the review process.
- 141.6 130.6 Carousel Park See 138.2 above.
- 141.7 130.7 Community Greening Campaign Cllr O'Keefe was unable to attend the meeting on 14th December due to isolation. Cllr Bramley attended and noted that she was very impressed and liked the ideas which could be chosen for a parish list. A launch meeting is to be held on 1st February and the cards will then be distributed. It was **agreed** to pay the cost of printing the cards. This is estimated at £180-£190.

142 PARISH SERVICES

- 142.1 131.1 Highways Matters Cllr Bramley is attending the Lengthsman meeting this month. HCllr Porter suggested contacting the Clerk at Headbourne Worthy as they were also dissatisfied with the current Lengthsman and moved to a different scheme. HCllr Porter will send the contact details for Headbourne Worthy PC. The ROW group had arranged a meeting with Network Rail to discuss the footpath at Weston Colley but no one from Network Rail attended on the agreed day. The ROW group have also suggested that they could assist in improving the appearance of the area by the bins at the LRPF. It was **agreed** to ask them to provide details of their landscaping ideas but that a fence was unlikely to be practical as it would restrict access to the ditch.
- 142.2 131.2 Pavement Micheldever Station to railway bridge No response has been received from the HCC officers and HCllr Porter has now also requested an update on the feasibility studies and proposed meeting.
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- 142.3 131.3 Network Rail The vegetation has not been cleared on the bridge at Sloe Lane.
- 142.4 131.4 SLR & Community Funded Initiatives No further update has been received on the village gateways. There is not currently suitable crowd funding available through WCC for a Speed Indication Device (SID). The Northbrook Arms have successfully raised funds towards a device and the option of the Parish Council trying to make up the shortfall was discussed. The Clerk noted that a new grant fund from the Hampshire Playing Fields Association was opening on 10th January and that an application could be made for a grant towards the new LRPF play area which, if successful, might mean that more funds were available towards the SID. It was **agreed** that an application should be made to the HPFA. Ian Janes (HCC Safer Roads) has advised the next steps in respect of a new SID device which include

updating the Parish Council Operating Licence and Deployment Programme. An order will also need to be placed by HCC to carry out associated works such as replacement posts.

143 SPORTS & RECREATION

- 143.1 132.1 Warren Field & Play Area The dead tree at the entrance to the car park has now been removed and the two replacement trees for the edge of the field have been planted. The petanque group were successful in their application for a Small Grant from WCC and work on the petanque area will commence soon.
- 143.2 132.2 LRPF Pavilion & Play Area A request has been received from the Worthys to use the LRPF pitch on Sunday 30th January for a parents school game. It was **agreed** to give permission for the one-off match. Tender for the LRPF play area – Three responses were received to the tender, two from national companies (Wicksteed and Sutcliffe) and one from a local company (Vita Play). The responses were evaluated by Michael Carter (consultant from Sports and Play Consulting) and considered at a virtual meeting of the Sports and Recreation Committee. Vita Play were the preferred option but were asked to make some revisions to their design so that the whole area would have a soft play surface and there would be no grass inserts. It was **agreed** to accept the revised tender from Vita Play.

144 FINANCE

144.1 Accounts for payment were **agreed**:

		Total	VAT	Net	
2623	Alresford Men's Shed	Information board repairs	31.99	0.00	31.99
2624	Peter O'Keefe	Website hosting costs	270.00	0.00	270.00
2625	Grass & Grounds Ltd	October/November grass cutting	1009.20	168.20	841.00
2626	Dever Printing	December Dever, newsletter & contact sheet	653.71	0.00	653.71
2627	Business Stream	Water – allotments and pavilion	94.69	0.00	94.69
2628	SSE	Electricity – pavilion	93.57	4.45	89.12
2629	HMRC	Qtr 3 PAYE	423.42	0.00	423.42
2630	Jocelyn Jenkins	December expenses	93.67	5.89	87.78
2631	Jocelyn Jenkins	December salary	807.29	0.00	807.29
DD	NEST	December pension contributions	198.51	0.00	198.51

RFO's Report

- 144.2 133.2 Balances & Bank reconciliation Balances report 30th November 2021.
Cash held: £89,609. Reserves: Earmarked: £64,671. General: £24,938.
- 144.3 133.3 Bank Accounts No further progress has been made with RBS to activate on-line banking.
- 144.4 133.4 Risk Management & Covid Response Cllr Adams will post an update next week.

145 OTHER COMMITTEES

- 145.1 134.1 Northbrook Hall No report.
- 145.2 134.2 The Warren Centre The Christmas Fayre was a success and the long term bookings are stable. There is a committee meeting next week.
- 145.3 134.3 East Stratton Village Hall The committee are looking at installing lighting for the car park.
- 145.4 134.4 Allotments Three renewals remain outstanding and there are currently four vacant plots.
- 145.5 134.5 Media and Broadband No report.
- 145.6 134.6 Monthly Dever item Reminder about dog waste, speed indication device fundraising.

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145.7 Other Council matters

- 145.7.1 134.7.1 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee A further meeting is being held next week. Mary Wallis has given permission for the beacon to be sited on her land. An application is to be made for a road closure in Micheldever on the Sunday of the Jubilee weekend.
- Parish Assembly Stuart Mills has offered to make a presentation about Winchester Area SuperHomes, a recently launched Winchester Action on Climate Change project aimed at reducing carbon emissions around energy use in the home. Cllr O'Keefe will ask for further details and whether Stuart could be available for the Parish Assembly.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm

Next meeting: 7.30pm Wednesday 2nd February 2022 at East Stratton Village Hall, Church Bank Road, East Stratton.

Chairman's signature