

MINUTES OF THE MICHELDEVER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held at Northbrook Hall, Duke Street, Micheldever.

at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1st June 2022

Councillors present: William Helen (Chairman), Olive Bramley, Charlotte Cobb, Graham Foot, Andrew Adams, Paul Brown, David Wandless, Aaron Brown, Suzanne Findley, Peter O’Keefe (from 7.55pm).
In attendance: WCCllr Stephen Godfrey, WCCllr Caroline Horrill.
Public: 4
Apologies: None.

190 CODE OF CONDUCT Cllr Helen – East Stratton Village Hall (NPI), Cllr Bramley – East Stratton Village Hall (NPI), Cllr Paul Brown – Warren Centre (NPI), Cllr Cobb – Northbrook Hall (NPI), Cllr O’Keefe – payment (as at 199.1 below) re website expenses.

191 MINUTES of the meetings of 4th May 2022 and 18th May 2022 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

192 MATTERS ARISING from the minutes

192.1 181.1 Village Clock It has not been possible for Cllr Helen and Peter Bradley to visit the clock yet. Carried forward to the July meeting.

The meeting adjourned for reports and questions from the public

193 REPORTS

193.1 DCllr Stephen Godfrey welcomed the new Parish Councillors to their first meeting. He noted that DCllr Patrick Cunningham was re-elected following the City Council election and that the election had resulted in no significant change to the balance of the council. Winchester now has its first Green Party councillor but the Liberal Democrats remain in control of the Council.

The WCC Small Grants Scheme has re-opened for applications of up to £500.

Julie Pinnock, Head of Development Management at WCC, has written to the company who sent letters to Basingstoke Road residents about development of a site at Innersdown and advised them that development would not be allowed under the current Local Plan.

Details of the appeals received against the Carousel Park enforcement notices have now been received and the date of the public enquiry is likely to be known later this summer.

DCllr Godfrey closed by commending the organisers of the Micheldever Station anniversary celebrations for a wonderful community day.

193.2 DCllr Caroline Horrill introduced herself to the new Parish Councillors and noted that she sits on the City Council Local Plan Committee. She advised that whilst no housing allocation has been made for Micheldever, the building of further affordable housing is still being supported.

Where housing allocations have been made Parish Councils had until 31st May to respond. Regulation 18 is the next stage of the Local Plan process (notification of and consultation with specific bodies as set out on the Town and Country Planning Regulations) and this should be completed by the end of the year but the timetable may have to be adjusted as the Local Plan process is currently behind schedule.

Phosphate mitigation is currently delaying planning applications and will also impact on the Local Plan. The Partnership for South Hampshire still haven’t advised how many homes they will be asking the WCC Local Plan to include.

Changes are having to be made to the M3/A34 junction 9 plans due to the smart motorways implementation being suspended and this is likely to also lead to delays with the changes at the Cart and Horses junction.

The Chairman asked how many homes WCC are expected to have to include in the Local Plan.

DCllr Horrill advised that WCC are working on 3,000 to 2039 but have still not received a request from South Hampshire, with whom they have a duty to cooperate but not necessarily to agree. No formal request has

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been received from Basingstoke. It is not yet known where planned homes will be allocated. DCllr Horrill noted that she has written to the Head of Planning and the WCC portfolio holder re the poor understanding of the lack of infrastructure in some rural parishes.

194 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

194.1 A resident thanked the Parish Council for removing the Spinney and improving the view from Southbrook Cottages but raised concerns over the proposal to plant trees on the verge between Duke Street and the LRPF car park. It was noted that the proposal was for a hedge but that this may not be possible as the water meter has been found to be sited on the verge.
 Concern was also raised over dog waste and the Chairman noted that the WCC Dog Warden can be contacted with any information regarding the dog walkers responsible for not clearing up after their dogs. The Clerk will ask the Dog Warden to carry out some additional patrols in the area.
 The presence of abandoned vehicles in the car park can be dealt with by the Parish Council but the Clerk advised that it is a slow process involving reports to the Police, DVLA and the registered owner of the vehicle before it can be removed. This process has been started for three vehicles this year and has led to one already being removed by the registered keeper.

The meeting resumed

195 CORRESPONDENCE received by the Clerk in the past month:

Victim Support	Grant request.	It was agreed to defer a decision until September.
HALC	New councillor training 18 th July 2022 (daytime).	Places to be booked for councillors Findley and Paul Brown.
Patrick Clarke	Request to site a bench in memory of Joyce Keenan.	It was agreed to suggest replacing the bench by the goalposts at the LRPF.

196 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

196.1	<u>New Applications</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Draft comments</u>
	560 Bluebell Cottage, Duke Street, Micheldever.	Scots pine to fell.	No comment.

196.2 The WCC Tree Officer has already noted no objection to application 560 and there were therefore no planning decisions to be taken this month.

196.3 185.3 Affordable Housing & Exception Sites
Barron Close & Wetland project – The wetland planning application has not yet been decided.
Southbrook Cottages – The planning application for the revised parking has now been approved.

196.4 185.4 Village Design Statement Neil Hornby has reviewed and actioned, where necessary, the consultation responses and the revised version has been re-submitted to Jill Lee at WCC.

196.5 185.5 Winchester Local Plan & Call For Sites See 193.2 above.

196.6 185.6 Carousel Park See 193.1 above.

196.7 185.7 Community Greening Campaign Cllr O’Keefe attended a virtual WeCan meeting on 12th May.

197 PARISH SERVICES

197.1 186.1 Highways Cllr Bramley advised that she has had no response from HCCllr Porter about the Crease or other issues which she has raised with her. She has also tried to report overgrown verges on the HCC site but it has not been operating correctly and she has therefore drawn the verges to the attention of HCCllr Porter who has said that she will report the issues to Highways.
 It was noted that overgrown trees are obscuring the SLR sign in Micheldever Station. The Chairman will draw this to the attention of the Agent for the Estate.

197.2 186.2 Pavement Micheldever Station to railway bridge Comments on the initial report have been sent to HCC and a further response is awaited.

197.3 186.3 Network Rail No new issues were reported this month.

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197.4 186.4 SLR & Community Funded Initiatives
Village gateways – It is anticipated that work on the gateways will commence in July or August.
Speed devices – A new licence to operate the devices has now been received from HCC and work is awaited to make the device locations suitable to be used.

197.5 186.5 Trees Carried forward to the July meeting.

197.6 175.6 LRPF Bin Area Carried forward to the July meeting.

198 SPORTS & RECREATION

198.1 187.1 Warren Field & Play Area Vita Play now have the heat tape needed to carry out the repair to the basket swing but will wait to do this until after half term.

198.2 187.2 LRPF Pavilion & Play Area The new play area is complete and has passed the safety inspections. It will be formally opened on Sunday following the Jubilee party.
Cllr Helen will investigate the cost of installing an accessible path from the bridge to the play area and report to the July meeting.

199 FINANCE

199.1 Accounts for payment were **agreed**:

		Total	VAT	Net
2671 Mrs A Dixon	Jubilee bunting	52.65	0.00	52.65
2672 Roger Bramley	Jubilee expenses	130.20	18.20	112.00
2673 Colin Thatcher	Grass cutting E/S Open Space	60.00	0.00	60.00
2674 Grass & Grounds Ltd	April grass cutting LRPF	312.00	52.00	260.00
2675 Countryside Art Ltd	Jubilee mugs	3458.69	576.45	2882.24
2676 Majestic	Jubilee wine	1882.20	313.70	1568.50
2677 Peter O'Keefe	Re-imburement of website costs	85.18	14.20	70.98
2678 Jocelyn Jenkins	May salary	818.97	0.00	818.97
2679 Jocelyn Jenkins	May expenses	169.02	17.60	151.42
2680 Zurich Municipal	22/23 insurance	983.05	0.00	983.05
2681 Vita Play Ltd	LRPF play area refurbishment	72000.00	12000.00	60,000.00
DD NEST	May pension contributions	185.87	0.00	185.87

RFO's Report

199.2 188.2 Balances & Bank reconciliation Balances report 30th April 2022.

Cash held: £87,864.70. Reserves: Earmarked: £68,674. General: £19,191.00.

199.3 188.3 Bank Accounts The balances in the two Triodos accounts have now been transferred to RBS. Triodos have

confirmed that they are unable to offer the Council a current account at present.

A digital form to add additional signatories to the RBS mandate will be sent to Councillors Wandless and Aaron Brown for completion.

199.4 188.4 Risk Management & Covid Response No new concerns were raised. The new play area equipment will be added to the insurance.

199.5 188.5 Annual Return 2021/22 The annual return has been submitted to the external auditor.

200 OTHER COMMITTEES

200.1 189.1 Northbrook Hall No report.

200.2 189.2 The Warren Centre No report.

200.3 189.3 East Stratton Village Hall No report.

200.4 189.4 Allotments No report.

200.5 189.5 Media and Broadband No report.

200.6 189.6 Monthly Dever item July newsletter to cover the Parish Assembly report.

200.7 Other Council matters

200.7.1 189.7.1 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee The draft letter to be sent to the Queen was **agreed**.

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200.7.2 189.7.2 Water leak at LRPF Southern Water have replaced the meter but Business Stream are still repeatedly chasing the full invoice amount. The Clerk has spoken with both Southern Water and Business Stream a number of times and will now consider making a formal complaint.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm

Next meeting: 7.30pm Wednesday 6th July 2022 at the Warren Centre, Andover Road, Micheldever Station.

Chairman's signature