

**MINUTES OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 8 January 2018
at the Henry Beaufort School, Harestock.**

Present: Mr P Cunningham (Chairman), Mr J Biddlecombe, Mr G Sallis, Mr J Mead, Mr D Fountain, Mr R Warren, Mrs A Neilson, Mrs J Burgess, Mrs H Saunders, Cllr K Learney and Mr C Tee (Clerk)

Also: Cllr J Warwick (HCC) & Cllr C Horrill (WCC)

17- **Apologies for Absence**

138 Cllr A Weir (WCC) sent her apologies.

17- **Declarations of Interest**

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17- **Minutes of the meeting held 11 December 2017**

140 The minutes of the meeting of 11 December were presented and accepted. It was proposed by Mr Mead and seconded by Mr Biddlecombe that the minutes be accepted. **RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held 11 December 2017 be approved.**

17- **Matters Arising:** Mr Fountain asked whether the Parish Council had
141 indeed sent off its request to WCC for the community governance review; this was confirmed by the Parish Clerk and WCC's action on this is now awaited.

17- **Military Report: Sir John Moore Barracks/Worthy Down**

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17- **Public Participation:**

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17- **Police Report:**

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17- **Planning**

145 The schedule for the month was discussed and, as the parish council has not objected to the application for a new dwelling to be built in the garden of 109 Harestock Road, it will not be represented at the WCC planning committee next week.

17- **Barton Farm Development**

146 Next meeting is scheduled for 22 March. The last meeting was cancelled due to a lack of issues to discuss.

17- **Littleton & Harestock Show**

147 Next meeting is tomorrow night. The society can be informed that the bench for recreation ground has been purchased and the picnic bench for Bradley Road is also ordered these have used all the funds kindly donated from the show as agreed.

17- **HCC Report**

148 **Hampshire Highways:** Highways teams worked hard through the night to manage the impact of Storm Eleanor on the roads. More than 50 trees were brought down following the high winds. Emergency crews and specialist tree crews remain on standby clearing fallen trees. Hampshire Highways are also working hard to keep the roads moving during icy weather. Follow the ‘gritter twitter’ @hantshighways to find out when and where the salting lorries are out. Anyone that experiences an issue on a Hampshire road can report it online at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport> **Winchester Movement Strategy public consultation:** The recent public consultation closed on 8th December with over 1500 replies. The next stage will involve feedback on the consultation and workshops for stakeholders, Members and Parish Councillors. As well as inviting residents’ and stakeholders’ views, a range of traffic and travel data will be reviewed. This, alongside sophisticated computer modelling, will provide a robust understanding of how movement works in the City. Collectively, this will form the evidence base for the Movement Strategy and help to clarify travel and transport priorities. Potential options for delivering these priorities will then be developed. These will be tested and reviewed using national Government best practice guidance before the draft Movement Strategy is put to further public consultation in mid-2018. **Hitting the Cold Spots:** Since the start of Hitting the Cold Spots, in 2010, 2,500 people have benefitted from the advice and information provided by the team. In this financial year, 170 Hampshire households have already received support. If you or someone you know is struggling to stay warm and well this winter, please contact an advisor on Freephone 0800 804 8601 (Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm) or email staywarm@environmentcentre.com Mr Mead then mentioned the number of potholes that he was aware of in the local area that had been reported for repair but, as far as he was aware, none had been fixed. Cllr Warwick stated that she was happy to chase these up. Cllr Learney then asked about a sum of £50,000 recently having been received by HCC to be used for engagement with stakeholders on how best to use the Sir John Moore Barracks land scheduled to be released by the MoD. Cllr Horrill agreed to answer this question below.

17-149 **WCC Report:** From the question immediately above, Cllr Horrill stated that the £50,000 had only just been given and HCC and WCC would be working together to engage with stakeholders to try and work out what would be the best use of the MoD site when it becomes vacant. She also reported that WCC continues to be in consultation mode at the moment over the sport and leisure facilities at Bar End and the central Winchester regeneration. There will be the full WCC Council meeting next month to agree their budget and council tax for 2018/19. There is continuing discussion over trying to improve the proposed park and ride for the north of the city, including waiting to hear from the MoD as to whether they will give the Barracks permission to allow WCC to use some of that land outside the wire which is available right now to be used for up to 175 parking spaces for an additional park and ride. WCC are still also waiting to hear back from the MoD on their overall proposals for the barracks if they are indeed closed in 2021. Mrs Saunders then asked whether the

Christmas period showed whether parking was any better or worse than previous years. Cllr Warwick as a WCC councillor responded to say that no figures were yet available but there had been fewer complaints about parking this year. Mr Fountain then mentioned that he had received, as a resident of Harestock, a letter from the Highways England office in Guildford about three public information events to be held about proposed improvements to Junction 9 of the M3. The three events are to be held in the Guildhall, Winnall Community Centre and Kings Worthy, none in northern Winchester. He wondered if it might be possible to have one event for northern Winchester. This would be investigated. Mr Biddlecombe then mentioned that he is very concerned about the standard of service being provided by the Planning Enforcement Team at WCC, quoting a situation whereby a planning breach had been identified and agreed as such on a local property some months ago, but, to date no formal enforcement action has yet to take place. Cllr Horrill admitted that this area of work within WCC had been mentioned by other parishes as being not up to standard and, as a result, they are currently looking at that area with a view to try and improve its performance. She apologized for their shortcomings and would look into the particular case mentioned by Mr Biddlecombe as well and report back on it.

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Sub-Committees and Other Reports

- a) **Finance:** The latest payments list for December was presented for consideration and accepted. **It was therefore proposed by Cllr Learney and seconded by Mr Fountain and RESOLVED – That payments totalling £5,945.35 on the December payments schedule should be paid.**
- b) **Environment:** Mr Cunningham reported that the Parish Council has now been formally offered by BT possession/adoption of the red telephone kiosk in Littleton for £1 and wanted confirmation of whether the Parish Council definitely did wish to do this, as there will be unknown financial commitments needed to renovate the kiosk. After debate, a vote was taken on whether to take possession and by a majority of 7 to 2, with one abstention, it was agreed to formally take possession and adopt the kiosk. This would now be done. Quite separately, Mr Fountain then wondered if Cllr Weir could be asked whether there had been any progress regarding having the building rubbish removed from beside the property on the corner of Bradley Road and Priors Dean Road. Cllr Learney agreed to chase this in her absence. Cllr Learney also agreed to chase up WCC about the remedial works needed on the pedestrian area outside the Harestock shops.
- c) **Playgrounds:** Mrs Saunders reported that the plan to further improve the facilities of both playgrounds, without adding any extra equipment at Bradley Road, but replacing the one small piece of rocking equipment that needs to be replaced in Littleton and installing a new piece of equipment as well as having Rhyno-mulch installed under benches and adult fitness equipment is now being implemented, having all the work completed and paid for before the end of March. It might also be

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possible to have a permanent outdoor table tennis table installed in the future at Littleton recreation ground to further enhance facilities there. Cllr Learney is still in the process of having the two posters created by local schoolchildren being priced and prepared before being turned into permanent notices to be put up in the two Parish Council playgrounds.

d) Millennium Memorial Hall: Mrs Neilson reported that the hall is having its own WiFi installed as well as a new projector screen. Next meeting of the trustees is next month.

e) Pavilion, Sports Club & Recreation Ground: Mr Fountain was unable to attend the last Sport Club Committee meeting but made sure that the Parish Council's concerns about public urination on the playing fields by football attendees and the failure to open up the overflow car park were reported to them. Nothing has been heard back on these issues.

f) Transport, Traffic & Civil Engineering: Mr Cunningham reported that HCC is hosting a meeting on 30 January on the next steps regarding their north Winchester flood alleviation scheme. Mrs Burgess reported that the Parish Council emergency plan has been updated. There was then some discussion about the effectiveness of the speed limit repeater sign and whether it might be an idea to possibly procure an additional sign that shows the actual speed of vehicles as they approach the sign, as used elsewhere. This would be investigated.

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g) Pond/island opposite: Nil.

17- **Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month's agenda**
151 Nothing mentioned.

17- **Date of Next Meeting**
152 Monday 12 February 2018 in the Millennium Memorial Hall at 7.00pm.