

**RECORD OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
at the Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton**

**Present:** Cllr P Cunningham (Chair), Mr J Biddlecombe, Mr R Warren, Mrs H Saunders, Mrs J Burgess, Mr S Burgess, Mrs L Martin, Mr D Tozer and Mrs L Fielding (Clerk)

**Also:** Cllr C Horrill (WCC)

**19-123 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr J Warwick (HCC), Cllr K Learney, and Mr P Highfield.

**19-124 Declarations of Interest**

Mrs H Saunders declared an interest in a planning application (trees) for 10 Harestock Close.

**19-125 Minutes of the meeting held 11th November 2019**

The minutes of the meeting of 11th November 2019 were presented and it was noted that the planning application for 19/01707/FUL referred to 29 Priors Dean Rd instead of 20 Priors Dean Rd. It was proposed by Mr R Warren and seconded by Mrs L Martin that, with that one correction, the minutes be accepted. RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held 11th November be approved with one correction.

Note: These minutes (9th December 2019) are draft until approved and signed at the Parish Council meeting on the 13th January 2020.

**19-126 Matters Arising:**

It was noted that Hampshire County Council are pursuing the request for a pedestrian crossing in Harestock and the clerk was asked to contact Cllr J Warwick for further details on progress.

Clerk

**19-127 Military Report: Sir John Moore Barracks/Worthy Down**

WO1 (RSM) Scott was not present and no matters were raised concerning the military.

**19-128 Public Participation: Nil**

**19-129 Police Report**

PCSO Bidle was not present however recent crime reports in Littleton and Harestock were discussed and the clerk was asked to produce a one page Christmas Crime awareness leaflet for use on the website/notice boards.

Clerk

**19-130 Planning**

The planning schedule for October was circulated and discussed. The Parish Council raised an objection for 19/02599/TPC (Spindles, Main Rd, Littleton), and no objections were raised for 19/02342/HOU (Woodpeckers 2 Larg Drive Harestock), 19/02272/HOU (Highland House Main Road Littleton), 19/02609/TPO (16 The Hall Way Littleton), 19/02711/TPO (The Pump House Main Road Littleton), and 19/02379/TPO (12 Orient Drive Harestock). Applications 19/02205/HOU and 19/02166/TPO previously reviewed by the Parish Council have now been approved by WCC.

The enforcement cases were also discussed and the clerk was asked to check with the enforcement team about delays at the planning inspectorate with regard to 17/00271/USE

(Barclays, Main Rd), and to ask Ivan Girdler with regard to a replacement tree for 18/00222/WKS (17 The Hall Way Littleton).

Clerk

**19-131 Barton Farm Development: Nil**

**19-132 Littleton & Harestock Show: Nil**

**19-133 County Councillor's Report:**

Cllr J Warwick was not able to attend but sent the following report:-

Hitting the Cold Spots: If you or someone you know is struggling to stay warm and well this winter, please contact an adviser on Freephone 0800 804 8601 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm) or email [staywarm@environmentcentre.com](mailto:staywarm@environmentcentre.com).

Winter Flu Vaccinations: A winter flu jab is considered essential protection for the over 65s, young children, pregnant women and carers, as well as those with pre-existing long-term health conditions or a weakened immune system. The virus can spread fast in families, schools, care homes or hospitals, and lead to serious complications. The vaccination is available free of charge from GPs and pharmacies for these eligible groups.

Dementia Support for carers: Hampshire Carers' Support and Dementia Advisor Service provided by Andover Mind, is available to any carer aged over 18 who looks after another adult. This service is for all carers, not just those caring for someone with dementia, and offers:

- one-to-one assistance, either over the phone Monday-Friday 9am-5pm, online or face-to-face with a trained carer support worker at a time that is convenient for the individual;
- general information and advice on carer-related topics online and over the phone;
- local carer support groups held across Hampshire

For more information visit [www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/adultsocialcare/dementia](http://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/adultsocialcare/dementia) or phone the Carers' Support and Dementia Advisor Service support line on 01264 332297.

**19-134 District Councillors' Report:**

Cllr C Horrill reported that WCC will be providing feedback on the Wheelabrator incinerator proposal based on comments from residents. WCC will comment on the large size of the building, highways related issues, particulate emissions and a general concern about the viability of the project. With regard to rough sleeping over Christmas, Cllr C Horrill noted that they have plenty of bed space in the WCC facility and the night shelter, and that outreach workers will be working hard to get individuals using the facilities, and then looking at ways to improve their wellbeing. WCC are also looking into the Station Approach project and investigating if they can resolve the technical issues from the legal challenge. Cllr C Horrill also noted that there are still some issues with the waste contract, notably for individuals who have special requirements or for some isolated properties, and asked that any issues should be reported to her directly.

Mr J Biddlecombe noted that there is still an issue at Harestock shops car park where frequently it is full of cars with very few individuals in the shops. Cllr C Horrill agreed to flag this issue with the WCC parking team.

**19-135 Sub-Committees and Other Reports**

a) Finance

i. The latest payments list for November was presented for consideration and, after some discussion, was accepted. It was therefore proposed by Mrs J Burgess, seconded by Mrs L Martin and RESOLVED – That payments totalling £5,103.36 on the November payments schedule should be endorsed.

ii. The clerk presented the latest regular payment list, and it was proposed by Mr J Biddlecombe, seconded by Mrs J Burgess and RESOLVED - That the regular payments should be approved.

iii. The clerk presented the proposal for donating Waitrose vouchers to the six regular volunteers for the Parish at a cost of £50 each, which was voted upon and all were in favour.

iv. The clerk reported that the MOD were not in favour of the Parish Council purchasing the Harestock football field, and therefore it was agreed that the clerk should propose a counter offer on the lease of £1000 per year.

v. The Parish Clerk then reported that the Finance Committee had met on 20 November to discuss the 2020/21 budget with a proposal not to increase the precept. The clerk presented the details of the proposed 2019/2020 budget for £120690, with an estimated income of £11,300 which would mean a precept of £109,390. In order to keep the Band D charge at £72.15 this would require a slight decrease to the 2019/20 precept of £94, making this year's precept £109,120. Following a unanimous vote it was RESOLVED – That the precept would be set to £109,120.

vi. The Parish Council voted and all were in favour of transferring £2,500 from this year's budget into reserves for work on the Littleton Village Design Statement next year.

#### b) Emergency Planning

After reviewing the current rainfall and the level in the borehole Mr S Burgess reported that it is unlikely that we will have an imminent flood in Littleton however this will be reviewed again next month. Mr S Burgess that following feedback he has made a final edit on the proposed website material and it was agreed to get it published as soon as possible.

It was noted that investigation is still needed on how the Parish Council can support vulnerable people in an emergency. Additionally Mr S Burgess reported that he has had no feedback from Gloria Kwaw at HCC on the flood alleviation proposals for Littleton, and it was agreed he should escalate the issue to a wider audience.

#### c) Playgrounds

Mrs H Saunders reported that she is currently investigating work in the two playgrounds and has a quote from MANT, and is meeting with Sovereign on 17th December. The annual inspection is due in January and will include an end of life assessment on the playground equipment. It was agreed that the clerk should ask the inspection team to include a disability assessment. The invoices for the deposits for the Parkour project and Netball project have now been received. It was proposed by Mrs L Martin, seconded by Mr H Saunders and RESOLVED - That the deposit of £10,779.60 inclusive of VAT for the Parkour equipment should be paid. Additionally it was proposed by Mrs H Saunders, seconded by Mr S Burgess and RESOLVED - That the deposit of £1,470 inclusive of VAT for the Netball setup should be paid.

#### d) Millennium Memorial Hall

Mr J Burgess reported that investigations for improving the heating are ongoing.

#### e) Pavilion, Sports Club & Recreation Ground

The clerk was asked to check with "As Time Goes By" for a date for the clock to be installed.

The clerk noted that she has now received agreement in principle from the neighbours in Main Rd to cut back the TPO trees in the recreation side of the boundary. Therefore it was agreed that the clerk should instruct C&D Trees to pursue the planning application as part of their quoted work of £1,230.00 plus VAT.

#### f) Transport, Traffic & Civil Engineering

Mr J Biddlecombe noted that Crawley Parish Council are not going to participate in the proposed additional taxi-share as they have a deal with Arqiva to provide travel for Crawley residents on the company bus. Mr J Biddlecombe has approached Cllr J Warwick for funding to cover the missing £500 of the £2000 needed.

#### g) Environment

The Parish Council reviewed the project proposal for “Decoding the Secrets of Flowerdown” and it was agreed that the project team should be invited to present more details at the January Parish Council meeting.

h) Winchester Villages Trust: Nil

i) Pond/island opposite: Nil

Clerk

**19-136 Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month’s agenda:**

Cllr P Cunningham reported that he would be standing down as chairman from the end of the January Parish Council meeting; however he will remain on the Parish Council. Nominations for the role of Parish Council Chairman should be forwarded to the clerk.

**19-137 Date of Next Meetings:**

Parish Council Meeting: 7pm, 13th January 2020 in the Henry Beaufort School at 7.00pm

Finance & Resources Meeting: 9:30 am, 4th March 2020 at the Sports Pavilion, Littleton Recreation Ground.