# RECORD OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at the Henry Beaufort School, Harestock.

**Present:** Cllr P Cunningham (Chairman), Mr J Biddlecombe, Mr R Warren, Mrs H Saunders, Cllr K Learney, Mrs J Burgess, Mr S Burgess and Mrs L Fielding (Clerk)

Also: Cllr A Weir (WCC)

## 19-076 Apologies for Absence

Cllr K Learney, Cllr C Horrill (WCC), Cllr J Warwick (HCC)

## 19-077 Declarations of Interest

Mrs H Saunders declared an interest in a planning application (trees) for 9 Harestock Close

## 19-078 Minutes of the meeting held 12th August 2019

The minutes of the meeting of 12th August 2019 were presented and it was proposed by Mr J Biddlecombe and seconded by Mr R Warren that the minutes be accepted. RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held 12th August 2019 be approved.

Note: These minutes (9th September 2019) are draft until approved and signed at the Parish Council meeting on the 14th October 2019.

19-079 Matters Arising: Nil

19-080 Public Participation: Nil

19-081 Police Report

PCSO Bidle was unable to attend but sent the following report:-

This report details incidents from 12/08/2019 – 09/09/2019 Anti-Social Behaviour: 29/08/2019 Report of noise nuisance from a large group of motorbikes Priors Dean Road. Burglary: No reports of burglaries. Criminal Damage: 24/08/2019-25/08/2019 Reports of criminal damage to vehicle where a fuel cap has been ripped off and tank filled with unknown substance so vehicle will not start. Lyndhurst Close. Drugs: No reports of drugs. Theft from motor vehicle: 29/08/2019-30/08/2019 report of vehicle broken into overnight by unknown persons and items stolen. Andover road north, Under Investigation. Theft of pedal cycle: No reports of Theft of pedal cycles. Theft of vehicle: No reports of Theft of Vehicle.

## 19-082 Military Report: Sir John Moore Barracks/Worthy Down

WO1 (RSM) Scott was unable to be present, however he provided a report noting that there is a Corporals Mess Summer Ball to be held on Sat 14 Sep 19 from 1800 – 0030, a notice of which will be dropped through doors of residents in the immediate vicinity. All efforts will be made to prevent excess noise pollution.

## 19-083 Planning

#### a. HMO's in Harestock

There was some concern that with the advent of an order in Stanmore to limit HMO's due to worries about noise, disturbance and rubbish it might be the case that increasing applications may be made in Harestock since it is a similar area. The clerk was asked to investigate if an order would be possible in Harestock to control HMO's., potentially Cllr K Learney may be able to provide some advice as she is the WCC council member for housing and asset management.

## b. Planning schedule for August

The planning schedule for August was circulated and discussed. There were no objections raised for 19/01809/HOU (Mulberry Cottage, 16 Andover Road North) and 19/01590/HOU (32 Main Road

Littleton SO22 6QQ). The application for 19/01707/FUL (20 Priors Dean Road Harestock SO22 6JT) was discussed at length and following a vote with all in favour, the motion was carried to object to the application. Applications 19/01532/HOU, 19/01376/HOU, 19/01481/HOU and 19/01403/TPO previously reviewed by the Parish Council have now been approved by WCC. Cllr P Cunningham stated that he and Mr J Biddlecombe had met again with the owner of Drovers Way, Stud Lane and the proposal now in place deals with most of their concerns about height and size of the building. The owner will now follow up with WCC planners.

## 19-084 Barton Farm Development

The next meeting is in November.

## 19-085 Littleton & Harestock Show

Mr R Warren reported that the show had gone well, and there were good numbers attending the event, however financial information is not available yet. The bottle ringing stall, ran by the Parish Council, was well received however some attendees thought that the money raised from the stall was going towards Parish Council funds. The councillors felt that next year a signboard should be produced for any council run stall indicating funds were not going to the Parish Council. The clerk was asked to send the invoice of £250 to the show society.

## 19-086 County Councillor's Report:

Cllr J Warwick was unable to be present but sent the following report:-

Local Updates

- Southampton Airport. The Future Airspace Strategy Implementation South (FASI South) to increase capacity is now in progress. You can sign up for email notifications about this application at airspacechange.caa.co.uk
- HCC's new transport manager, Andrew Wilson has been asked for an update about changes to the No 68 bus route operated by Stagecoach in Littleton
- The Traffic and Safety engineering team have been asked to provide an update for the Parish Council on the Andover Rd junction.

Heritage Open Days 13-22 September

A number of Hampshire County Council sites will open their doors for the Heritage Open Days: The Great Hall, Winchester 20 and 22 September, 1.00-2.30pm Musicians playing traditional Tudor musical instruments – viols and recorders. Hampshire Record Office – 21 September, tours at 11am and 2pm Go behind the scenes and discover the work that takes place to preserve Hampshire's documentary heritage. Winchester Discovery Centre – daily, 13 to 22 September inclusive An informative look at the history behind some of our Hampshire fare and some of the many foods that have become popular across the UK and beyond. Details on all local Heritage Open Days in Hampshire from 13 to 22 September can be found at www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Back to School: All children attending Reception Year to Year 2 are entitled to free school meals and older children may be eligible too. Find out more on www.hants.gov.uk search 'free school meals'

Highways England (highwaysengland.co.uk) updates for major road projects:

M3 Junctions 9 to 14 Smart Motorway –roadside surveys complete, public information sessions start autumn 2019. M3 Junction 9 improvements (National Significant Infrastructure Project) –statutory public consultation ended August 2019. Development consent sought for 2020 with work due to start in 2021.

Police and Crime: Chief Constable, Olivia Pinkney will be attending the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel meeting in public in October to answer questions about policing in Hampshire and IoW.

## 19-087 District Councillors' Report:

Cllr A Weir reported that Biffa have now put in place ten new waste collection vehicles which should make a big difference to the issues that have been occurring with bin collection. There are a number of public open forums planned including a Sports & Leisure Park forum on Friday 13th Sept 3:30 at the Walton Suite, a Station Approach forum on Monday 16th September 4:30 at the Walton Suite, and a forum for Central Winchester Regeneration on Tuesday 24th September from 3:30 at the Nutshell in Kings Walk shopping centre. Winchester City Council has provided a response to Highways England on the M3 junction 9 proposals and they are keen to remain a key consultee and they have stressed their interest in seeing positive environmental benefits from the funding. Cllr A Weir noted that housing development on Rowlings Rd is progressing and they are currently negotiating with contractors. The Central Winchester Regeneration team will start of program of archaeological investigations using the Nantwich model which is a similar area in respect of water logging. Cllr A Weir also hi-lighted the online budget simulator which allows residents the opportunity to try to balance the budget for Winchester.

Mr R Warren asked when the new glass collection timetables were going to be available, and this is expected to be in October and will be available on the WCC website, and also the normal collection prior to the glass clocking will include a notification document. It was also discussed that the bring sites will still be needed, and Mrs J Burgess suggested that double collection over the Christmas period should be put in place.

## 19-088 Sub-Committees and Other Reports

- a) Finance
- i. The latest payments list for August was presented for consideration and, after some discussion, was accepted. It was therefore proposed by Mr S Burgess, seconded by Mrs H Saunders and RESOLVED That payments totalling £3,830.51 on the August payments schedule should be paid
- ii. The Parish Council reviewed the 2019/20 insurance proposal, and it was proposed by Mrs J Burgess and seconded by Mr J Biddlecombe and RESOLVED That the insurance invoice of £3110.94 should be paid.
- iii. The work to rotate the bus shelter in Burley Rd has now been estimated and it was proposed by Mrs H Saunders, seconded by Mr R Warren and RESOLVED That the work should be authorised and money to pay for it should be taken from CIL earmarked reserves.
- iv. It was noted that the clerk's emergency budget of £1000 could be too small for repairs to Health and Safety Issues in the Playgrounds and it was proposed by Mrs H Saunders, and seconded by Mr J Biddlecombe and RESOLVED That the Parish Chair could authorise emergency work up to £3000 without needing authorisation at a Parish Council meeting however this would need to be notified to the Parish Council at the next meeting. The clerk was asked to update the Financial Regulations accordingly.
- v. The clerk presented a proposal from the Finance meeting that the clerk be allowed three additional paid hours per week to allow her to complete the portfolio of evidence required by the CiCLA qualification which normally takes a year to complete. This was voted upon and all were in favour.
- vi. Additionally the Finance team reviewed the investment strategy and cash flow at the most recent Finance committee meeting, and have suggested that the Nationwide Business Account be considered as an extra investment account as it has instant access with a 0.6% interest rate, the full FSCS protection and withdrawals can go direct into an existing Parish Council Bank account. This aligns with the council strategy of prioritising security and liquidity. This was voted upon and all were in favour.
- b) Environment: Nil
- c) Playgrounds:

Mrs H Saunders reported that Vitaplay had completed 90% of the work at the playgrounds but there were some concerns with the gate closures at both playgrounds. The clerk was asked to follow up with Vitaplay. Mrs H Saunders will provide a document indicating all the additional work that is now needed based on input from the playgrounds inspector, and also include work needed at the Harestock shops. The quote for the weather vane of £495+vat plus a £35 delivery charge was

approved and the clerk was asked to arrange to confirm the angle of the apex before making the order. The clerk was asked to get some new quotes for the fence at Littleton playground at a height of 5ft., and to contact HMG painting, Andover to get advice about repainting the multiplay equipment in Littleton playground.

## d) Millennium Memorial Hall:

Mr J Biddlecombe volunteered to become a Hall Trustee. The Parish Council discussed the proposal of the chair of the trustees to allow the incoming treasurer to the trustees to act as a Parish Council representative on the board of trustees. The Parish Council felt that having an officer of the trustees, i.e. the treasurer also in the role of trustee could potentially lead to a conflict of interest, and therefore felt it was more suited to wait until a new Parish Councillor could be found who could then join the trustees. It was noted that there had been some interest from parishioners wishing to be Parish Councillors.

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

The Clerk reported on a number of concerns from parishioners about the amount of people not picking up after their dogs in the recreation ground. It was agreed that the clerk should investigate providing a new dog bin close to the overhead barrier. The clerk was also asked to investigate the possibility of having a map of the recreation ground displayed which clearly shows the dog bin locations. There has been a request from the Croquet team to allow the overflow car park gate to remain open until the end of November which was not agreed to, however the clerk was asked to provide the croquet team with the padlock code so that they can unlock the gate as required for the croquet mix-in sessions.

## f) Transport, Traffic & Civil Engineering:

Mr S Burgess reported on the recent Outer Winchester Flood Alleviation briefing, where it was understood that a small engineering team has carried out a significant amount of detailed survey work at Littleton, over the MOD Land and farmland beyond the Andover Road. This has resulting in three options based on technical potential, risks and costs, and a decision on the options is expected next month. The Parish Council asked the clerk to contact the WCC team to arrange a meeting to ensure end user feedback can be provided prior to a decision being made. Mr S Burgess also reported on a climate change meeting he attended which hi-lighted the issues of higher rainfall and a wetter Britain in the future.

## g) Emergency Planning

Mr S Burgess reported on the status of the Emergency Plan for 2022. It currently looks fine and fits in with the environment agency advice. However there are some weakness related to the sand bag plan, and also there is a major section which refers to voluntary contributions from local residents who might have vehicles or equipment that could be used during an emergency. We also need a ready box with essential information and contact number which can be accessed quickly in an emergency and an emergency page on the website.

## h) Speed Indicator Sign

Cllr P Cunningham hi-lighted the issue of increased speeding in Littleton and proposed the use of a Speed Indicator Sign in addition to the shared Speed Limit Reminder (SLR) Sign. It was agreed that the clerk should contact the Highways department to investigate the correct procedures for getting approval. Mr J Biddlecombe also suggested that we could have a new location at either end of Harestock Rd.

## i) Winchester Villages Trust

Mr M Lupton has stood down as the representative for the Winchester Villages Trust, and Mrs J Burgess would like to be considered for the position. Cllr P Cunningham proposed that Mrs J Burgess should have the approval of the Parish Council to act as the representative, and all were in favour. The clerk was asked to contact the Winchester Village Trust clerk to inform her of the Parish Council's decision

## j) Pond/island opposite: Nil

# 19-089 Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month's agenda

Mr R Warren noted that he would be on an extended holiday and not available for Parish business until the next Parish Council Meeting. Mr J Biddlecombe noted that he would be away for the meeting on the 14th October.

# 19-090 Date of Next Meeting:

14th October 2019 in the Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton at 7.00pm