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MINUTES OF THE ONLINE CONFERENCE MEETING OF WEST MEON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 5th MAY 2020 AT 7.30PM (DUE TO THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC)

THOSE PARTICIPATING: Cllrs A Trenchard (Chair), J Nicholson (Vice Chair), C Waller and N Wortley

BY INVITATION: County Cllr R Huxstep until 7:45pm and City Cllr H Lumby

APOLOGIES: Cllr C Adams and G Silk and City Cllr L Ruffell

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: None present online

Wmpc 1812 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or prejudicial interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda. None were declared.

Wmpc 1813 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chair opened the meeting to the public, but none participated online.

Wmpc 1814 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Online Conference Meeting on 7th April 2020 were agreed, signed and **approved**.

Wmpc 1815 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUXSTEP**

Hampshire County Cllr Huxstep presented his report, see Appendix A.

Cllr Huxstep advised that he had an email notification of pre planning consultation exhibition plans for proposed new housing at Long Priors, West Meon. The Parish advised they had not been notified via email.

Cllr Huxstep advised many VE day celebrations had been cancelled. The Parish Council advised that the local businesses and village enterprises were providing services for the village. The Parish thanked Cllr Huxstep for his support during this difficult time.

Wmpc 1816 **CITY COUNCILLOR LUMBY**

Winchester City Cllr Lumby's report had been circulated and is attached as Appendix B.

Cllr Lumby advised that bin collection would be on Saturday and that recycling centres would be opening mid-May, and also the dog bins on the recreation ground would be emptied.

Cllr Lumby reported that enforcement issues should still be reported to WCC.

Wmpc 1817 **CLERK’S REPORT**

- The Clerk’s report stated that the end of year audit 2019/2020 had been forwarded to the Parish Council internal auditor.
- Annual play area inspection by WCC has been circulated to Councillors via email.

TO RECEIVE WORKING GROUPS

Wmpc 1818 **PLANNING**

Metis Homes pre application consultation leaflet is being sent out to parishioners and ‘a virtual consultation’ is being carried out online from 11th to 25th May. The Parish advised that many members of the village had not received the flyer. The Parish Council **agreed** that a physical exhibition should take place as Metis Homes promised, but this should be held at a later date for transparency reasons. The Parish advised that most parishioners who are affected by the proposals are unable to access computers, therefore it should be postponed and this should be relayed to Metis Homes via the Parish Clerk.

Wmpc 1819 **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

It was unanimously **agreed** that a grant of £100 be awarded to Victim Support.

Schedule of Payments

Ch 300594 HALC/NALC fees	£320.50
Ch 300595 Victim support	£100.00
BACS HCC Street lighting	£463.72
BACS D Heppell salary May	
BACS Expenses	£21.20
BACS APH trees	£600.00

It was unanimously **agreed** that D Westwood would be requested to do more strimming.

Wmpc 1820 **COMMUNITY, RECREATION AND TRANSPORTATION**

Any further items for the Parish News to be submitted to Cllr Adams, in addition to information on recycling centres and bonfires.

The works to trees on the recreation ground has been carried out satisfactorily.

Wmpc 1821 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING**

Co-option/election of Parish Councillors to WMPc, end of year audit and budget, Metis Homes.

Wmpc 1822 **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

Tuesday 2nd June, Tuesday 7th July, location to be agreed.

The meeting closed at 20:16 hrs

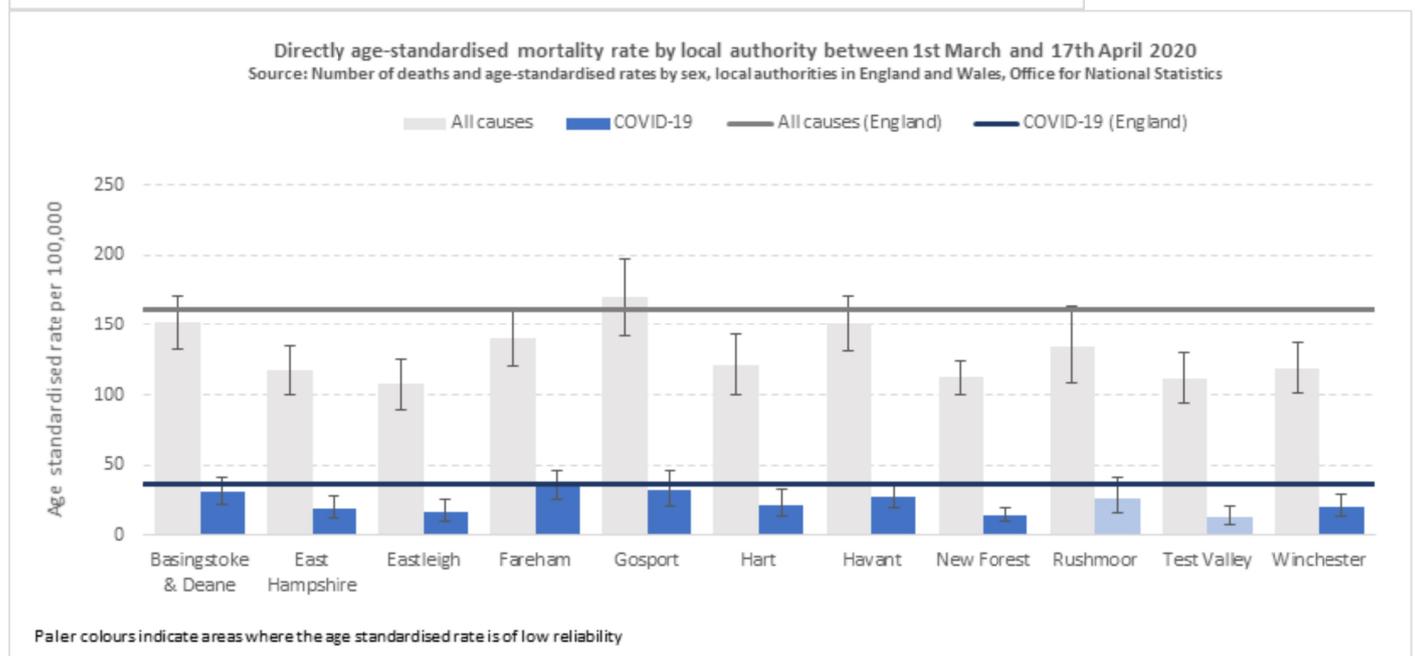
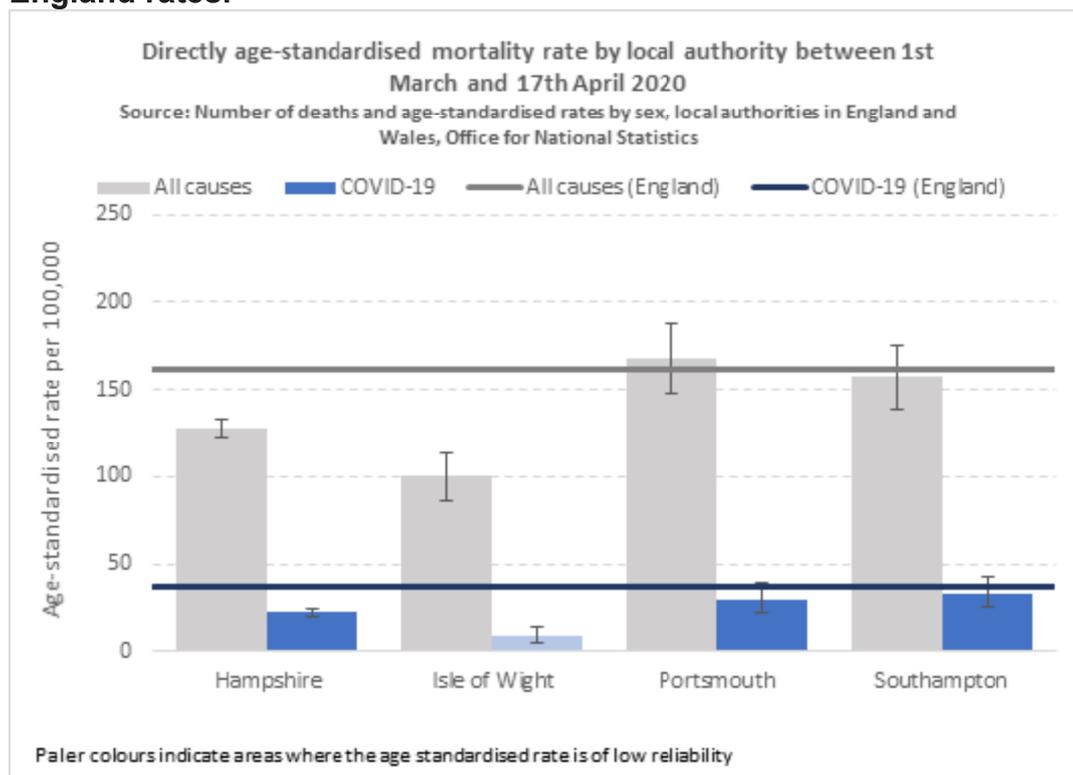
Chair

Hampshire County Council Divisional Report for West Meon Parish Council

Coronavirus (COVID-19) cases in Hampshire.

As at 1700 yesterday the number of confirmed COVID-19 related cases in Hampshire stood at 2887. Many of our residents are quite rightly fearing this pandemic; equally many are sticking zealously to the mantra “**Stay Home, Protect the NHS, Save Lives**”.

Please find below an analysis of age standardised rates across the unitary authorities and the county, as well as the county’s constituent districts. The overall mortality rate charts have two lines running across representing the national age standardised rates for England from all causes and from COVID-19 only. **This shows that Hampshire rate is below the England rates. All districts are below the England rate with the exception of 3 districts which are in line with England rates.**



Be assured that specialists from Public Health England (PHE) are working with Hampshire County Council and NHS colleagues to help combat this pestilence. From next Sunday we may know more about whether we can start relaxing the lockdown.

Helpline for frail and vulnerable Hampshire residents open throughout the Easter Bank Holiday weekend.

The special helpline for Hampshire's most vulnerable residents, set up as part of a collaboration between local councils across the county and the voluntary and community sector, will be open throughout the Bank Holiday weekend, including Easter Monday

The Coronavirus Hampshire Helpline **Hantshelp4vulnerable** is for frail or vulnerable residents who do not have support from family, friends or their local community, and who need urgent assistance with essential food or household supplies, the collection of medication, or who are at risk of loneliness.

Anyone in need of help can call **0333 370 4000** seven days a week, from 9am-5pm. To date, since the phone lines opened on 1 April 2020, over 3,500 calls have been received.

The Hantshelp4vulnerable service is available to people residing in the county of Hampshire only. There are separate arrangements in place for Southampton, Portsmouth and Isle of Wight residents.

Hantshelp4vulnerable provides advice and information, as well as co-ordinates requests for practical help, passing them through to the appropriate Local Response Centre – there is one based in each of Hampshire's 11 districts.

This is Your Victory – Dive into the archives 75 years on from VE Day

With the 75th anniversary of VE Day just around the corner, Wessex Film and Sound Archive and Hampshire Archives and Local Studies are offering a fascinating glimpse into their collections.

On the evening of 7th May 1945, the end of World War II in Europe was officially announced and the following day declared a national holiday – Victory in Europe Day, 8 May 1945.

British Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, declared: 'This is your victory! It is the victory of the cause of freedom in every land. In all our long history we have never seen a greater day than this. Everyone, man or woman, has done their best. Everyone has tried. Neither the long years, nor the dangers, nor the fierce attacks of the enemy, have in any way weakened the unbending resolve of the British nation.'

Hampshire Archives and Local Studies and Wessex Film and Sound Archive hold a wealth of material about the region, its involvement in wartime and the peacetime celebrations.

Therefore, on Friday 8th May there will be an online event - This is Your Victory. At 11.30am, there will be a film screening with LIVE introduction and online exhibition on Facebook and YouTube.

Zoe Viney, Film Curator, Wessex Film and Sound Archive will provide a live introduction.

How to watch

You can join the event on Facebook @HampshireArchives or YouTube @WessexFilmArchive from 11.30am.

The exhibition will go live at 12.30pm, a link will be shared in the film screening's description and on the Facebook page, but people can also head directly to Hampshire Archives and Local Studies' blog, where you will be able to view a selection of photos and documents: <https://hampshirearchivesandlocalstudies.wordpress.com/>

West Meon Parish Council Winchester City Councillor Report

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1. Introduction Winchester City Council's principle focus at the moment remains on addressing issues arising from Coronavirus. Its definitive list of advice can be found on the Council's website at <https://www.winchester.gov.uk/covid19>.

It is continuing to provide most of its services as normal, subject to social distancing requirements. The County Council hotline remains in operation - the number is 0333 370 4000. This is available from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm 7 days a week. Residents needing help should continue to use local support where they have contacts. Otherwise, they should call the helpline number.

2. Housing The Council are continuing to offer urgent housing repairs for council tenants but are otherwise rescheduling repair and routine maintenance for them until later in the summer.

Hampshire Home Choice is currently not operating save for emergency situations. Properties that become available are therefore not being advertised at present.

3. Refuse collection and other waste issues Waste and recycling collections are continuing for now on their usual cycle and no reduction in service is currently anticipated. The exception is bulky waste collection which has been paused for now. As ever, if any resident doesn't have their refuse collected on the scheduled day, they should promptly report this via the Council's website.

Bottle banks are being utilised to a greater extent at the current time which has led to some overflowing. Residents are asked to report any such overflowing so that the bottle banks can be emptied out of their usual cycle.

As previously reported, Hampshire County Council has closed the waste depots across the county in line with Government guidance. These are to re-open during the week starting 11th May, although there will be restrictions on use and residents are advised to check these in advance. There may, at least initially, be substantial delays as the sites come back into operation.

There has been some increase in fly tipping across the District during this time, although this is not necessarily linked to the closure of the waste depots. In any event, residents are still encouraged to continue to report any incidents of fly tipping to the Council.

4. Bonfires Residents are actively encouraged not to have bonfires. Coronavirus is a respiratory illness and bonfires could well be unhelpful to those affected.

5. Business support The Council believes that around 2235 business across the District may be eligible for grants. To date, over 1587 have been paid. The number of businesses covered has been extended and representations in relation to potential gaps and grey areas continue to be made to Government. Any businesses who have not yet applied are encouraged to make applications without delay.

It should be noted that village and church halls as well as community shops may be entitled to grants and these are also encouraged to apply if they have not yet done so.

The Council is working on a business recovery plan to be implemented following the end of lockdown. This is to be considered by the Council's cabinet on 21st May.

6. Virtual meetings Winchester City Council is preparing to hold all meetings on a virtual basis, starting this month. This will include the annual meeting of the Council (when the new Mayor is elected) and council and committee meetings (including planning committee meetings). Members will be utilising Google Teams and there will be facilities for members of the public to listen and participate.

7. Boomtown Following discussions with the Council and the police, the organisers have decided to cancel this year's Boomtown Festival.

Laurence Ruffell Hugh Lumby