

**MINUTES of the MEETING of WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC)**  
**Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 in the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney**

Present: Cllr Lucy Dowson (Chairman), Cllr Judith Polak, Cllr David Price, Cllr Pauline Maunder.  
 In attendance: HCCllr Jackie Porter, WCCllr Stephen Godfrey.  
 Public: None.  
 Clerk: Jocelyn Jenkins

		Minutes		R
1951	1.1	Apologies for Absence. WCCllr Caroline Horrill, WCCllr Patrick Cunningham, Cllr Kitty Wakefield, Cllr Kevin Maunder.	Closed	
1952	1.2	<b>Any Declarations of Interest to be declared/dispensations agreed.</b> No declarations were made in respect of matters on the agenda.	Closed	
1953	1.3	<b>Minutes of the</b> meeting of 8 <sup>th</sup> September were <b>agreed</b> and signed by the Chairman.	Closed	
1954	1.4	<b>Co-option</b> No candidates for co-option attended the meeting.		
	2	<b><u>Reports</u> – the meeting adjourned during reports.</b>		
	2.1	<b>The Public:</b> None.		
	2.2	<b>Report from HCCllr Jackie Porter:</b> HCCllr Porter provided a written report (Appendix 1) and drew particular attention to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Road planings application 20/01188/HCS</u> Cllr Porter noted her concern over weekend and late night operating and is asking that the A34 should be used for access to Micheldever Station rather than through villages.</li> <li>• <u>Lengthsman</u> The scheme is under threat but as it has become far too restrictive it is clear that parish councils are only prepared to pay for it if it is improved.</li> <li>• <u>Bus Back Better</u> Post pandemic recovery in bus numbers has been lower in Winchester than elsewhere.</li> </ul>		
	2.3	<b>Report from WCCllr Stephen Godfrey:</b> Cllr Godfrey noted that Caroline Horrill and Patrick Cunningham were unable to attend the meeting as they were at a Planning Enforcement briefing. The city councillors' have met the new enforcement team and updates on current cases will be sent out shortly. <u>Local Plan</u> The City Council have given an indication that they are unlikely to choose option 3 (a large new development) but this may make option 4 (allocations in areas which have not previously had an allocation) more likely and could lead to the possibility of 100, or slightly more, new homes in Wonston Parish. The final decision has not, however, been made yet. <u>Greener Future Fund</u> Funding of up to £2k is available for projects aimed at creating a greener district. <u>Flooding</u> Cllr Godfrey noted the need to request that the drains and sumps are cleared again. Cllr Porter offered to make the request on behalf of the parish. She further noted that a formal report has been compiled on flood risks and that she has met informally with the authors. Funding was applied for from DEFRA but was not granted for Sutton Scotney.		
		The meeting resumed after reports.		
1955	3	<b><u>Correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting.</u></b>		
		The Council discussed and agreed actions for the following issues:		
1955.1	3.1	<b>CAB Advice First Aid Course</b> Training course to upskill volunteers working to support vulnerable people in the community. Details will be posted on the noticeboards and Facebook page.	Closed	
1955.2	3.2	<b>Blue Lamp Trust</b> The Bobby Scheme provides free home security visits, smoke alarms and advice to elderly and vulnerable residents. Details will be posted on the noticeboards and Facebook page.	Closed	
1955.3	3.3	<b>Hitting the Cold Spots</b> Advice and help is available to those experiencing difficulties in heating their homes. Details will be posted on the noticeboards and Facebook page.	Closed	
1955.4	3.4	<b>Littleton &amp; Harestock Parish Council</b> are proposing that a nature reserve is included as part of the Sir John Moore Barracks re-development. It was <b>agreed</b> to add a link on the website to this item.	Closed	
1955.5	3.5	<b>HALC AGM, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November 10am- 1pm</b> The details have been noted.	Closed	

1955.6	3.6	<b>Cliddesden Parish Council</b> Support is requested for a move to gain the status of 'An Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty' (AONB) for the North Hampshire Downs area. It was <b>agreed</b> to offer support for the motion.			Closed	
1955.7	3.7	<b>Gambling Act 2005</b> WCC are updating their Statement of Principles as required under the Act. The draft version is being consulted upon and comments are invited by 21 <sup>st</sup> October. Noted.			Closed	
		<b>Matters arising from the minutes of 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021.</b> The Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following issues:				
1956	4	<b>General Matters</b>				
1956.1	1945.1	<b>Gratton Trust:</b> <u>Lease</u> – The solicitor is now waiting for the signed copy of the lease to be returned by the Gratton Trust. <u>Management Agreement</u> Cllrs Dowson and Polak are meeting with the Gratton Trust on Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October to review the draft Management Agreement.			Clerk	
1956.2	1945.2	<b>Emergency &amp; Flood Plans</b> – WCCllr Godfrey will continue to lead the flood planning group (FLAG), whilst HCCllr Porter will pursue flood mitigation work with HCC and the Environment Agency. The Parish Council are represented on FLAG by Cllr Kevin Maunder. See also 2.3 above.			Clerk	
1956.3	1945.3	<b>Village Greening Campaign</b> – To be carried forward to the January 2022 meeting.				
1957	5	<b>PLAY AREAS</b> Council discussed and agreed actions for the following:				
1957.1	1946.1	<b>Stoke Charity/Hunton Play Area (STCH&amp;H) – Monthly/Annual Inspection</b> Cllr Kevin Maunder has temporarily taken over the play area inspections and the Chairman expressed her thanks for him carrying out this additional role. It was <b>agreed</b> to accept the quote for £360 from AVA Recreation for the repairs to the rota bouncer. It was <b>agreed</b> to give permission for the occupier of 2 Old Stoke Road to install a gate into the play area. Cllr Kevin Maunder will repair the gate latch and install a new dog poster.			Clerk	
1957.2	1946.2	<b>Pigeonhouse Yard (PHY) Play Area – Monthly/Annual Inspection</b> The agent for PHY has now taped off the area above the soakaway. The new infant swing seat is awaited.			Clerk	
1958	6	<b>HIGHWAYS ISSUES - FOOTPATHS, GRIT BINS etc</b> Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following:				
1958.1	1947.1	<b>Footpath 7 Access</b> – The difficulties in dealing with the land agent were discussed and Cllr Porter offered to ask the County Council whether it is possible to add an accessible gate without having received permission from the landowner.				
1958.2	1947.2	<b>Footpaths &amp; Bridleways</b> – The post for Footpath 11 has fallen down. Cllr Porter will report this to HCC.				
1958.3	1947.3	<b>Noticeboards</b> – The repairs to the Gratton Close board are complete. Repairs to the board at the Wonston Arms should be completed soon.				
1958.4	1947.4	<b>SLR</b> – A very constructive meeting was held with Ian Janes (HCC Traffic, Safer Roads Team) and seven suitable sites for a Speed Indication Device (SID) were identified in Wonston. This is in addition to the sites already being used in Sutton Scotney and Stoke Charity. Four of these new sites would utilise current or replacement road signs whilst three new sockets and a post would be needed and would be funded by the Parish Council. SID cost around £2000 and the sockets and post would cost a further £2000. This amount has been included in the draft budget for 2022/23 (see 1960.2 below). The Clerk noted that an issue may be in finding a suitable SID as the width cannot exceed 450mm in Wonston. There are less narrow devices available and these cannot typically display a warning triangle or longer message. Further advice has been sought from HCC over a suitable SID.				
1958.5	1947.5	<b>Recycled benches</b> – The new bench at the Burial Ground has now been installed in the correct position. The Chairman expressed her thanks to Cllr Kevin Maunder for removing the old bench and installing the new bench. Off agenda.				
1959	7	<b>PLANNING</b> New applications detailed below were considered and agreed as follows:				
1959.1	638	6 Old Stoke Road, Stoke Charity	Tree works on ash and cherry trees.	21/02453/TPC No comment		
1959.2	639	School House, Old Stoke Road, Stoke Charity	Lime tree to pollard and reduce.	21/02571/TPO No comment		
1959.3	640	Bridge Cottage, Wonston Road, Sutton Scotney	Single storey side extension.	21/02214/HOU Object		
1959.4	641	3 Measures Gate, Old Stoke Road, Stoke Charity	Variegated maple to fell.	21/02553/TPC No comment.		
1959.4	1948.4	<b>Winchester Local Plan 2036 &amp; Call for sites (SHELAA)</b> – See 2.3 above.				
1959.5	1948.5	<b>Village Design Statement</b> Carried forward to the January 2022 meeting.				

1960	8	ACCOUNTS/AUDIT																																						
1960.1	1949.1	Balances: As at 30/09/21 General Reserves are £85319.10 but after Earmarked Reserves are £36213.10. Payments for October (detailed below) totalling £3530.62 were agreed by the Council.	Closed																																					
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1960.2	New	Budget 2022/23 It was agreed to adopt the draft 2022/23 budget which leaves the precept unchanged at £38,000.																																						
1961	9	Other Council Matters																																						
1961.1	1950.1	Publicity & Communications – Cllr Polak has temporarily taken over the parish Facebook page and the Chairman thanked her for accepting this additional role.																																						
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1961.3	1950.3	Bottle Bank – Carried forward to the November meeting.																																						
9.40pm		Next meeting – Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm in the meeting room of the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney.																																						
Signed: Chairman ..... dated.....																																								