



West Meon Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE WEST MEON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6TH FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7.30PM IN WEST MEON VILLAGE HALL.

THOSE PRESENT: Cllr C Waller (Chairman), A Trenchard, G Silk, and P Brannon (from 8:00pm).

BY INVITATION: County Cllr R Huxstep (until 7:50pm).

APOLOGIES: City Cllr L Ruffell, Cllrs C Adams, T Over, C Johnson (Vice Chair), T Prowse, J Nicholson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs D Heppell (Clerk)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. 2 members of the public, Ms Murphy and Mr Burr.

Wmpc 1528 **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 1529 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 9th January 2018 were **approved**.

Wmpc 1530 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chairman opened the meeting to the public and Ms Murphy and Mr Burr addressed the Parish Council on their planning application at Wmpc 1534, item i.

Wmpc 1531 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR R HUXSTEP**

Cllr R Huxstep reported that the Hampshire County Council (HCC) 2018/2019 Revenue Budget & Precept for 2018/2019 had been set. The council tax requirement for the County Council for the year beginning 1st April 2018, is proposed to be £608,175,704.00. This will result in a Band D property's county council tax for the year beginning 1st April 2018 being £1,200.96. This is an increase of 5.99% on this financial year's tax. Previously the council froze council tax at its 2010/11 level for the following 5 financial years. For this financial year, 2017/18, an extra 3% was allowed, to be ring-fenced for adult social care costs, so the increase was 4.99%.

Hampshire to 2050. County Council's Cabinet agreed to establish a commission of inquiry to help set out a bold vision for Hampshire to 2050. The purpose is to consider submitted evidence, deliberate on key issues and make recommendations on a Vision for Hampshire 2050 which will guide and contribute to the future prosperity, quality of life and protection and enhancement of the character and environment of Hampshire. It will have to address: demographic and societal challenges; the economy; work, skills & lifestyle; environment and quality of place; mobility, connectivity & energy and rural Hampshire.

Botley By-pass. The planned £26m village bypass has won government funding as part of a scheme to build more than 1,000 new homes. The 1.1-mile (1.8 km) road around Botley has been allocated £10m from the Housing Infrastructure Fund. The by-pass will dramatically improve the quality of life in the village, obviating through traffic and helping to reduce noise and improve air quality.

Cllr Waller advised that there had been no more incidents to report on the Stagecoach bus service for West Meon. He went on to thank Cllr Huxstep for his prompt reply to the grant to refurbish the West Meon phone box. Cllr Waller asked if there is HCC funding for the upcoming project for the WW1 Centenary of updating the West Meon booklets. Cllr Huxstep advised that this would be available after the HCC elections.

Wmpc 1532 **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk advised that the play area Inspection reports has been received from WCC and it was **agreed** that they would be put on the West Meon Parish Council (WMPC) website.

The Clerk reminded Councillors that they are requested by WCC to complete this year's the Declaration of Office forms and return them to her.

It was **agreed** that HALC Training Course Part II which was cancelled in November 2017 should be re-booked.

The Clerk advised that the ¾ year Audit was complete and Bank reconciliation carried out. The completed budget and information was received by the Parish Council.

Current Account Unity

Balance per Bank statement 67(31/12/17)	£52,847.45
Less unrepresented cheques 300399 £100.00	
300403 £275.00	<u>- £375.00</u>
	£52,472.45

Cashbook Reconciliation @ (31/12/17)

Bank b/fd 1/4/17	£34,954.74
+ Receipts (4/17-12/17)	+ £32,080.43
<u>-Payments (4/17-12/17)</u>	<u>-14,562.72</u>
	£52,472.45

The Clerk advised that £1,775 had been paid out in grants this financial year of the £4,689 allowed, and it was agreed that a reminder for grant requests should be put in the Parish News. Regarding the play area projects in the pipeline for table tennis table provision and play area repairs may need to be carried out following the play area inspection report.

Wmpc 1533 **CITY COUNCILLOR L RUFFELL**

Cllr L Ruffell had sent his apologies and his report was circulated.

TO RECEIVE WORKING GROUPS

Wmpc 1534 **PLANNING**

Ms Murphy and Mr Burr addressed the Parish Council on their planning application item i) SDNP/18/0331/FUL The New House at The Bungalow Alton Road West Meon Hampshire GU32

1HZ Change of use of land to equestrian and construction of menage. The Parish Council **agreed** to raise **NO OBJECTIONS**.

ii) SDNP/18/00002/LIS West Meon Primary School Church Lane West Meon GU32 1LF. To form an opening in the existing external wall and erect new French doors. Works will include excavating into existing playground for steps down to the new doors. The Parish Council **agreed** to raise **NO OBJECTIONS**.

iii) SDNP/18/00141/HOUS Wilcot Lynch Lane West Meon Petersfield Hampshire GU32 1LT. Raised roof to existing double garage to accommodate studio and guest bedroom space. Side extension to garage for stair access to first floor. The Parish Council **agreed** to raise **NO OBJECTIONS** subject to a condition that the studio and bedroom shall only be used as ancillary to the main house and shall not be sold or let separately from the main house for a residential/business use.

iv) SDNP/18/00290/HOUS Lowlands Farm Polly Glovers Lane West Meon Petersfield Hampshire GU32 1JS Detached triple garage. The Parish Council **agreed** to raise **NO OBJECTIONS**.

v) A meeting was held on 7th February 2018 regarding the Village Design Statement with a team of 5 volunteers and the Chairman. It was reported that Duncan Stewart would cover environmental description, Cameron Fisher and Paul Anderson would provide photographs and the Chairman would cover history. It was **agreed** that at the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) the VDS would be launched for discussion with five questions including what is West Meon's most treasured view. June 2018 is the date for the first draft and it was **agreed** that a friendly mobile document would be provided and plans would be improved. September 2018 would be the time to produce the document after public consultation at a summer exhibition at the Annual Parish meeting.

It was **agreed** to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on 17th May 2018 in the Village Hall

Wmpc 1535 **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION.**

Schedule of Payments **agreed**.

Date 6^h February 2018

Ch 300413	Alpha Graphics	£192.00
Ch 300414	WM Village Hall Hire	£17.40
Ch 300415	Arbor Adventure Tree Care	£687.00
Ch 300416	HALC Training	£480.00
Ch 300417	D Heppell salary	
Ch 300418	Expenses Clerk	£43.18
Ch 300419	Fair Account	£135.00

It was **agreed** that the April meeting would be 17th April due to the Easter Holidays.

Wmpc 1536 **HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION**

The Chairman advised that the drains need clearing by the A32/ Warnford Road. Problems with potholes were discussed and that any problems should be reported to HCC.

Wmpc 1537 **COMMUNITY, HOUSING AND RECREATION**

Cllr Waller advised that invoices had been received for the dog signs for the recreation ground and that progress is being made on the repair of the West Meon phone box. It was **agreed** to use £500.00 of the grant to pay Mr Hickmore to paint the phone box and £100.00 to Mr Bagshaw to weld the phone box.

It was reported that SDNP will be holding a trail by the Station on 2nd June 2018.

Cllr Waller reported that the molehills in the churchyard are being dealt with by the Church.

Wmpc 1538 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT NEXT MEETING**

Village Design Statement, Grants and Wish List, Annual Parish Meeting.

Wmpc 1539 **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

Tuesday 6th March and Tuesday 17th April, Tuesday 1st May, Tuesday 5th June, Tuesday 3rd July 2018 and the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 17th May, 2018 all in the Village Hall.

Meeting finished at 9.00 pm

Chairman