

MINUTES of the MEETING of WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC)
Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th September 2023 in the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney

Present: Cllr Pauline Maunder (Chairman), Cllr Kevin Maunder, Cllr Rob Parker, Cllr David Price,
 Cllr Judith Polak.
 In attendance: HCCllr Jackie Porter, WCCllr Stephen Godfrey, WCCllr Caroline Horrill.
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 Clerk Jocelyn Jenkins

2170	1.1	Apologies for Absence None.	Closed	
2171	1.2	Any Declarations of Interest to be declared/dispensations agreed. Cllr Parker declared an interest in respect of the land at Brightlands which has been included in the updated SHELAA.	Closed	
2172	1.3	Minutes of the meeting of 12 th July 2023 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.	Closed	
2173	1.4	Co-option No candidates for co-option attended the meeting.		
	2	<u>Reports – the meeting adjourned during reports.</u>		
	2.1	The Public:		
	2.2	Report from HCCllr Jackie Porter: HCCllr Porter provided a written report (Appendix 1) which notes the HCC survey on options for the Cart and Horses junction, the 20mph working group whose report will be available at the end of the year and the re-arrangement of HCC Adult Social Care homes. In addition, she advised that she is seeking to arrange a further meeting about sewage issues in Sutton Scotney.		
	2.3	Report from WCCllr Stephen Godfrey WCCllr Godfrey noted that the City Council have put the date of the Local Plan Regulation 19 back until Summer 2024. After consultation this version then goes to the inspector. This means that feedback from the Regulation 18 consultation will also be delayed. The delay is due in part to the detailed responses which need to be made to submissions from larger developers. The Plan will now run until 2040. Cllr Godfrey also noted that the slow development of allocated sites may lead to pressure to allocate more sites. Cllr Godfrey supported the adoption of the Littleton and Harestock Village Design Statement last week. Attention was drawn to the various planning applications around Three Maids Hill: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal for an inert waste facility to the north of the roundabout was allowed on appeal last week. • A new application has now been made for an electric vehicle charging station on the same site. • A new application to extend the existing permission for recycling and storage of aggregates to cover a larger area (on the motor-cross site) has also been received. This would lead to an increase in HGV vehicles accessing the site and Cllr Godfrey noted the proximity of the site to the A34 junction which is of importance to Wonston residents. 		
		The meeting resumed after reports.		
2174	3	<u>Correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting.</u>		
		The Council discussed and agreed actions for the following issues:		
2174.1	3.1	Burial Ground – A request from the holder of an Exclusive Right of Burial to allow a relative (also resident in the Parish) to be buried in the plot and to surrender their Right of Burial. It was agreed to accept the request and the written surrender of Right of Burial.	Closed	
2174.2	3.2	HALC Training Courses – Details of the Chair Networking meeting to be forwarded to Cllr Pauline Maunder.	Closed	
2174.3	3.3	WCC Survey of Outdoor Gyms – Responses to the survey were agreed .		
2174.4	3.4	HugoFox Website – The website will no longer be provided free of charge by HugoFox. It was agreed to establish a direct debit for the 'Bronze' package at £9.99 per month.		
2174.5	3.5	CAB Winchester Grant Request – It was agreed to make a grant of £500.		
2174.6	3.6	WDALC Amendments to HALCs Articles of Association – Request for councils to confirm their agreement to the amendments. It was agreed to respond in seven days if no objections were raised once the Parish Councillors had an opportunity to review the amendments.		

		Matters arising from the minutes of 12th July 2023. The Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following issues:				
2175	4	General Matters				
2175.1	2164.1	Gratton Trust – It was agreed to accept the Annual Condition Report prepared by Councillor Polak and Babette Bond, Chair of the Gratton Trust. Two incidences (a year apart) of tools being left unattended on the Gratton have been drawn to the attention of the Parish Council. Babette, as Chair of the Trust, confirmed to the councillors that the risk assessment had been reviewed in the light of the incidents and mitigating steps have been taken. It was confirmed that there is adequate insurance cover and that the insurers of the Gratton will be advised of the incidents. A tree behind the play park has lost a further large branch. It was agreed that advice would be sought from Toby Bunce on whether the tree required work to make it safe.				
2175.2	2164.2	Emergency & Flood Plans – Fergus Reid, of the Environment Agency, has advised that fallen trees downstream of the road are causing the build up of silt at the Bogmoor Sump. These are to be removed, the ditch strimmed and the situation monitored by the EA.			Clerk	
2175.3	2164.3	Village Greening Campaign/WeCan/Declaration of a Climate Emergency – Carried forward to the October meeting.				
2176	5	PLAY AREAS Council discussed and agreed actions for the following:				
2176.1	2165.1	Stoke Charity/Hunton Play Area (STCH&H) – Monthly Inspection No new issues identified in this month's inspection.			Clerk	
2176.2	2165.2	Pigeonhouse Yard (PHY) Play Area – No new issues identified in this month's inspection. A further response is awaited from AVA about the outstanding invoice for the painting of the slide unit. <u>Soakaway</u> – It was not possible to carry out the camera survey of the soakaway. WCCllr Horrill is seeking an update on the report which was to have been produced.			Clerk	
2177	6	HIGHWAYS ISSUES - FOOTPATHS, GRIT BINS etc Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following:				
2177.1	2166.1	Footpath 7 Access – A grant has been applied for from HCC towards the cost of the accessible gate.				
2177.2	2166.2	Footpaths & Bridleways – The Lengthsman will be asked to cut the hedge at the side of the Victoria Hall and to clear the footpath on the A30 at the alleyway to Pigeon House Yard.				
2177.3	2166.3	Noticeboards – Councillor Kevin Maunder has offered to re-varnish the Wonston noticeboard.				
2177.4	2166.4	SLR – There have been some issues with the programming of the SID which the contractor is seeking to resolve with the supplier of the device.				
2177.7	2166.7	Roundabout sign, Oxford Road – The signage and gateway project has been passed to the preliminary design and costing stage and an update is awaited.				
2178	7	PLANNING				
		New applications detailed below were considered and agreed as follows:				
2178.1	702	2 Ash Cottages, Hunton Lane, Sutton Scotney.	Douglas fir to fell.	23/01925/TPC No comment.		
2178.2	703	Workshop East Stoke Farm, Stoke Charity.	Conversion of agricultural building into two residences. Partial demolition of car port.	23/01890/FUL Request application goes to WCC Planning Cttee and comment on the proximity of listed buildings, sewage concerns, poor sightline to road & current residential property overlooking proposed dwelling.		
2178.3	704	1 Gratton Close, Sutton Scotney.	Single storey rear/side extension.	23/01652/HOU No comment.		
2178.4	705	Nateley Place, 22 Pigeonhouse Field, Sutton Scotney.	Single storey side and rear extension and connection of existing detached garage,	23/01856/HOU The Parish Council does not support the conversion of garages.		
2178.5	706	3 New Cottages, Wonston Road, Wonston.	Single and 2 storey rear extension following removal of existing garage.	23/01844/HOU Concern over the proposed increase in footprint of property to be raised with Case Officer.		
2178.6	707	Yew Tree Crate, Wonston Lane.	Proposed new boundary (garden) wall.	23/01881/HOU No comment.		
2178.7	2167.3	Winchester Local Plan – See 2.3 above re the extension to the timeframe for the production of the Regulation 19.				

		It was agreed to use the time between the Regulation 18 and Regulation 19 to research evidence to support the infrastructure concerns raised by residents in respect of the surgery, school places etc and to see whether these differed from other villages in the District. The potential impact of the A34/M3 junction works and related diversions and road closures may also be reviewed. A consultation with residents will also be considered.																										
2178.8	2167.4	Village Design Statement – Margaret Sandford, who is leading the VDS project on behalf of the Parish, provided the councillors with a briefing note and attended the meeting to answer any questions. A considerable amount of work has already been undertaken by Margaret and the volunteers and they have set an ambitious timeframe for completing the project. Margaret was thanked by the Chairman and councillors for her contribution to date. It was agreed to send a survey questionnaire to residents and Margaret will draft the questions for this. It was further agreed that up to £250 would be available for draw prizes to encourage residents to respond to the survey.																										
2178.9	2167.5	Southern Water Pipeline – It was noted that the work at the Gratton has been completed.																										
2179	8	<u>ACCOUNTS/AUDIT</u>																										
2179.1	2168.1	Balances: As at 31/08/23 General Reserves are £78,888.22 but after Earmarked Reserves are £205.72. Payments for September (detailed below) totalling £2,522.04 were agreed by the Council.	Closed																									
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2180	9	<u>Other Council Matters</u>																										
2180.1	2169.1	Publicity & Communications – West Dever News item – Margaret will forward an item about the VDS, SID.																										
2180.2	2169.2	Risk Management – See 2175.1 above.																										
2180.3	2169.3	Bottle Bank – Details of the dimensions of the bottle bank are awaited.																										
2180.4	2169.5	Allotments – Renewals take place at the end of September. It was agreed that the rental would not be increased.																										
2180.5	New	Remembrance Parade – An application has been made for the necessary road closure.																										
9.55pm		Next meeting – Wednesday 11th October 2023 at 7.30pm in the meeting room of the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney.																										
Signed: Chairman dated.....																												