

MINUTES of the MEETING of WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC)
Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th January 2022 in the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney

Present: Cllr Lucy Dowson (Chairman), Cllr Pauline Maunder, Cllr Kevin Maunder.
 In attendance: None.
 Public: 2
 Clerk: Jocelyn Jenkins

Minutes				R
1984	1.1	Apologies for Absence. Cllr Judith Polak, Cllr David Price, WCCllr Stephen Godfrey, WCCllr Caroline Horrill, WCCllr Patrick Cunningham, HCCllr Jackie Porter.	Closed	
1985	1.2	Any Declarations of Interest to be declared/dispensations agreed. No declarations were made in respect of matters on the agenda.	Closed	
1986	1.3	Minutes of the meeting of 8 th December were agreed and signed by the Chairman.	Closed	
1987	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: No report.		
	2.2	Report from HCCllr Jackie Porter: HCCllr Porter was unable to attend the meeting but provided a written report (Appendix 1) which noted the consultation on the Winchester Movement Strategy (see 1989.5 below). Attention was also drawn to child protection and the details given for reporting concerns about an adult or child. The meeting resumed after reports.		
1988	3	<u>Correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting.</u>		
		The Council discussed and agreed actions for the following issues:		
1988.1	3.1	Victoria Hall - Due to the increase in energy prices, charges for the hall will be increased this year. It was noted that this will impact the charges to the Parish Council for their own hire and Scots Tots and Knit and Natter whose hall hire is paid by the Parish Council.	Closed	
1988.2	3.2	Winchester City Council – A Winter Support Payment Grant is being launched for businesses most affected by the pandemic. Noted.	Closed	
1988.3	3.3	Watercress Way – A grant request has been received for additional funding towards the renovation of the fencing at the railway bridge on Wonston Road. An additional £2000 of funding is being sought. It was agreed to request more information about the proposals and to reconsider the grant request at the February meeting.		
		<u>Matters arising from the minutes of 8th December 2021.</u> The Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following issues:		
1989	4	<u>General Matters</u>		
1989.1	1978.1	Gratton Trust: The Trust have provided a plan and listing of both the current and new trees (to be planted this month) at the Gratton. In addition, they have agreed to carry out regular visual inspections of the trees and routine maintenance work. Any issues with the trees will be reported promptly to the Clerk in order that specialist advice can then be sought. In light of this it was agreed that a professional tree survey was not required. It was agreed to formally approve the eight jubilee trees, the community orchard (six trees) and the boardwalk.	Clerk	
1989.2	1978.2	Emergency & Flood Plans – The Lengthsman was engaged to carry out clearance work at the Bogmoor Sump but the water level was too high, in view of the unknown depth of the silt below, for manual clearance to be undertaken. Ditch clearance was therefore carried out instead. It was also noted that the gate at the sump was unsecured and presented a hazard. A padlock has now been fitted to the gate. The Clerk will contact Vicki Westhall of HCC to seek to establish who is responsible for the sump.	Clerk	
1989.3	1978.3	Village Greening Campaign – Cllr Pauline Maunder attended the Micheldever Greening Campaign meeting and noted that it was very interesting. South Wonston Parish Council have now expressed an interest in joining the Campaign and the Clerk has contacted them to suggest that the two parishes could consider working together.		
1989.4	1978.5	Allotment fence – Councillors Dowson and Price met with JJ Heath-Cauldwell at the allotments in December to view the condition of the fence. There are some rotten posts and the main cause for concern is on the corner where a concrete post may be required, whilst wooden posts are likely to be sufficient on either side of this. The Clerk will obtain quotes for necessary repairs.		

1989.5	New	Winchester Movement Strategy – It was agreed to submit a response answering the questions on the next steps but not those relating to the City centre which were not considered relevant to Wonston Parish other than strongly disagreeing to the changes to car parks in the city centre. There was agreement for a further park and ride, north of the City.				
1989.6	New	Oxford Road Crossing (Victoria Hall) – The Clerk has contacted Andy Smith (HCC Safer Roads Team Leader) about using the remaining CIL funds to pay for the proposed informal crossing on Oxford Road for which it has not been possible to secure HCC funding. The possibility of having a second crossing point on Wonston Road (opposite the hall) and a safer route into the car park were also discussed. It was agreed to transfer additional reserves of £12,000 to the project whilst the potential for safer pedestrian routes at this junction are fully explored.				
1990	5	PLAY AREAS Council discussed and agreed actions for the following:				
1990.1	1979.1	Stoke Charity/Hunton Play Area (STCH&H) – Monthly/Annual Inspection No new issues identified. The annual inspection has been booked through WCC.		Clerk		
1990.2	1979.2	Pigeonhouse Yard (PHY) Play Area – Monthly/Annual Inspection The tape across the soakaway area requires replacing. The Clerk will contact the agent for PHY. The annual inspection has been booked through WCC.		Clerk		
1991	6	HIGHWAYS ISSUES - FOOTPATHS, GRIT BINS etc Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following:				
1991.1	1980.1	Footpath 7 Access – No further response has been received from BCM.				
1991.2	1980.2	Footpaths & Bridleways – No new issues have been reported this month.				
1991.3	1980.3	Noticeboards – The backing board has been removed from the board at the Wonston Arms upon which repairs were never completed. The Clerk will ask the Alresford Men's shed to quote to build a new board but it was noted that a more suitable site should be sought for the board as its current location leads to a risk of water penetrating the board.				
1991.4	1980.4	SLR – Quotes for suitable speed indication devices were reviewed. The preferred device is a SAM (Smiley Activated Message) from Messagemaker who have agreed a discounted price of £2697 which includes Bluetooth for data capture and a spare battery. An order will be placed once approval for this sign has been received from HCC and work on the extra sockets (required for deployment) can also then be commissioned.				
1992	7	PLANNING New applications detailed below were considered and agreed as follows:				
1992.1	647	Old Post Office Cottage, Wonston Road, Stoke Charity	Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of new outbuilding.	21/03106/HOU No comment		
1992.2	648	Post Office, 5 Old Stoke Road, Stoke Charity	To remove three dwarf fruit trees (not fruiting) and plant two replacement trees.	21/03231/TPC No comment		
1992.3	1981.3	Winchester Local Plan 2036 & Call for sites (SHELAA) The SHELAA sites which remain under review have been updated on the WCC website and also circulated to councillors. Any errors or technical points about these sites can be submitted to WCC at this stage but a meeting between WCC officers and each parish council should still be taking place to review the sites.				
1992.4	1981.4	Village Design Statement Carried forward to the February 2022 meeting.				
1993	8	ACCOUNTS/AUDIT				
1993.1	1982.1	Balances: As at 30/12/21 General Reserves are £78406.79 but after Earmarked Reserves are £28320.79. Payments for January (detailed below) totalling £1254.19 were agreed by the Council.			Closed	
		Kevin Maunder	Refund of costs for padlock	6.99		
		RP Gardening	Ditch clearance	240.00		
		WCC	Dog bins (Oct – Dec)	195.00		
		Hants Pension Fund	December pension contributions	165.93		
		Jocelyn Jenkins	December expenses	74.72		
		Jocelyn Jenkins	January salary	571.55		
				<u>1254.19</u>		
1994	9	Other Council Matters				
1994.1	1983.1	Publicity & Communications – It was agreed to adopt a Social Media Policy based on the guidance issued by the Hampshire Association of Local Councils. The Clerk will draft this and liaise with Cllr Polak over the implications for the Facebook page.				
1994.2	1983.2	Risk Management – See 1989.1 above re trees. No other new issues identified.				
1994.3	1983.3	Bottle Bank – An increase in rubbish, including glass bottles, has been noted at the top of Grange Road and from the Norton crossroads into Wonston.				

1994.4	1983.4	Parish Assembly 2022 – The Beavers will be in the hall until 7.30pm on Thursday 12 th May and it was therefore agreed to hold the Assembly from 7.45pm until 8.30pm and to invite the Beavers and their parents to stay for the talk on recycling.		
1994.5	1083.5	Queen’s Platinum Jubilee – It was agreed that small grants would be considered for events in the Parish which were of benefit to residents.		
9.05pm		Next meeting – Wednesday 9th February 2022 at 7.30pm in the meeting room of the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney.		

Signed: Chairman **dated.....**