



West Meon Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE WEST MEON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29th JUNE 2015 AT 7.30PM IN WEST MEON VILLAGE HALL FOLLOWED BY A CLOSED MEETING TO CONSIDER STAFFING MATTERS.

THOSE PRESENT: Cllr C Waller, Chair, R Morrish (Vice Chair), Cllrs A Bassil, U Casebourne, C Johnson, C Adams, J Nicholson, D Spencer - Healey.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs D Heppell (Clerk to the Council).

BY INVITATION: County Cllr R Huxstep, Cllr N Bodtger (both until 8:20pm).

APOLOGIES: Cllr T Over

Wmpc 1192 **DECLARATION 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. Members signed their declaration of office and register of interests forms.

Wmpc 1193 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the Parish meeting on 2nd June 2015 were approved with the following amendments in bold:

to read, 'Cllr Morrish advised that the signage at **the A32/High Street junction** was agreed should be replaced shortly'.

'Cllr Casebourne advised that there are no Passenger Forum meetings over the summer and **HCC were looking** at information from private bus companies about providing a school transport service **instead of regular buses**'.

Wmpc 1194 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chairman opened the meeting to the public and Mr John Bennington addressed the Council raising his concerns with the pre- application proposal for two 3 to 4 bed houses to the rear of the Red Lion in West Meon, which is adjacent to his property. He outlined his planning objections to the proposal and requested that the Parish Council amend their comments they had submitted on request to WCC Planning. After some discussion the Chairman thanked Mr Bennington for his comments and advised that if a planning application was submitted then the Parish Council would publicly submit the application to scrutiny, but WMPc would not amend their current comments on the pre-application.

Wmpc 1195 COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUXSTEP

Cllr Huxstep advised that Roy Perry has been re-elected as leader and Jonathan Glen as Chairman. He also gave an update on the divisional boundary review by the Local Boundary Commission. On the 24th June HCC launched a survey about roads and HCC is one of the top areas for roads. Cllr Waller advised the Committee were pleased with hedgerow trimming and the Headon View roadworks. Cllr Huxstep requested if there are any issues with the roads surface to report it to HCC.

Wmpc 1196 CITY COUNCILLOR BODTGER

Cllr Bodtger advised that Stephen Godfrey is the leader of WCC and gave an update on the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) housing and economic development including key housing numbers.

Cllr Waller advised he had received a complaint about the pavement needing re-instating at Station Road Cottages, West Meon. Cllr Huxstep **agreed** to bring this to the attention of the highway authority.

Wmpc 1197 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk advised of two grants applications, one from the Rosemary Foundation applying for £500.00 and one from the village hall Theatre Group for £500.00 towards new stage curtains.

H.C.C. Small Grants Team has advised the next deadlines for grants are 27th July and 26th October 2015.

TO RECEIVE WORKING GROUPS

Wmpc 1198 ADMINISTRATION

It was **agreed** that the following committee members and volunteers would be responsible for the following working groups for West Meon Parish Council.

Finance & Administration

- Finance – Cllrs Johnson, Nicholson
- Budget/future expenditure/grants – Cllrs Johnson, Nicholson
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Planning

- Planning applications - Cllrs Waller, Johnson, Bassil
- Strategic planning/SDNP - Cllrs Morrish, Johnson, Spencer- Healey
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Highways and Transport

- Cllr Morrish, Casebourne,
- Winchester and Meon Valley bus services.- Cllr Casebourne

Environment

- Recreation Ground - Cllr Waller
- Rights of Way/footpaths – Cllrs Bassil, Spencer- Healey,
- Meon Valley Trail – Cllrs Johnson, Spencer-Healey
- River - Flooding - Cllr Morrish
- Wild Trout scheme – Cllr Bassil

Community

- Cllrs Bassil, Casebourne, Waller, Adams
- Local authority housing stock – Cllr Waller
- Disabled and elderly – Cllr Adams

Communications

- Parish News and website – Cllrs Over, Adams, Cllr Nicholson

Appointment to Outside Bodies

- **Village Hall Committee** – Cllr Casebourne
- **Village Shop Committee** – Cllr Bassil
- **West Meon & Warnford Sports Club** – Cllr Waller
- **Winchester and District Association of Parish Councils** – Cllr Over
- **Passenger Transport Forum** – Cllr Casebourne

Community liaison representatives

- **Touchet Trust** - Malcolm Edwards (volunteer)
- **Footpaths and Rights of Way** - Martin Cowell (volunteer)

Wmpc 1199 FINANCE

The schedule of payments was **agreed**.

A £500 donation to the Theatre Group at West Meon Village Hall was **agreed**.

A £500 donation was **agreed** to be given to The Rosemary Foundation.

The following projects were **agreed** for this financial year and those committee members on the relevant committee would provide costings for the next meeting.

- The Village Design Statement - Cllrs Morrish, Spencer - Healey
- Upgrade Recreation Ground - Cllr Bassil
- Phone box - Cllr Waller
- A32 Crossing – Cllrs Morrish, Bassil

It was **agreed** Cllr Johnson and the Clerk compile a draft budget following the above estimates.

Wmpc 1200 BANKING

It was **agreed** that Cllrs Adams and Bassil be authorised as signatories on the Unity Trust Account.

Wmpc 1201 PLANNING

The Council **resolved** to make the following planning comment:

1. SDNP/15/02653/FUL Inwoods Small School, Brockwood, Bramdean SO24 0LQ.

No Objections

Wmpc 1202 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Cllr Johnson **agreed** to update Cllr Healey - Spencer on the Meon Valley Trail.

Cllr Morrish advised she had:

1. Liaised with Shedfield clerk regarding a list for the lengthsman's visit due week of 29th June and will be meeting the lengthsman during his time in the village to take him round the sites.
2. Dealt with complaints from residents of White Cottages re damage to pavement and lay-by caused by contractors resurfacing Headon View. Vehicles parked overnight outside White Cottages. HCC Highways promised to rectify the problem.

3. Dealt with complaint from resident at Sheep Bridge that HCC Highways contractors do not cut the verge outside the house, however on inspection this is difficult to mow due to a line of bollards along the length of the property, therefore not referred to Highways authority.
4 Thanked Neville Crisp, Winchester CC Highways Engineer for organising the new signpost now in place at junction of High Street and A32.

Wmpc 1203 **COMMUNITY AND RECREATION**

Cllr Waller gave costs of signage for the Recreation ground of £30 + VAT for each sign. It was **agreed** he would order 3 signs.

Cllr Waller advised the costs of replacement angle iron nets are £84.00 + VAT and it was **agreed** he would order replacements.

Cllr Waller advised he had a quote for a replacement surface for the recreation ground of £1,486 and it was **agreed** further quotes should be sought.

It was **agreed** that Cllrs Nicholson, Over and Adams collaborate on the Parish News page and that the WMPC News Report be ready by 15th August 2015.

Cllr Bassil gave an update on the village shop and full details would be available after their AGM. He asked whether the Parish would be willing to fund a survey of the village shop for residents of West Meon and Warnford and the committee unanimously **agreed**.

Wmpc 1204 **SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

The Clerk provided a schedule of payments that was **agreed**.

Date 29nd June 2015

Ch 300219 Expenses	£69.54
Ch 300200 D Heppell Salary	
Ch 300211 Donation Village Hall Curtains	£500.00
Ch 300222 Donation Rosemary Foundation	£500.00

Wmpc 1205 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT MEETING**

Projects, Shop Update, Budget Approval, Financial Regulations, Parish News, River Update, Motorbikes, Crossing A32, Playground Equipment.

Wmpc 1206 **DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

Thursday 3rd September 2015

Meeting finished at 9.55pm

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Chairman

