

Worldham Parish Council
3rd March 2021, 8pm
Via Zoom Conference Call
(Meeting ID: 886 2764 7391 Passcode: 404512)

Present Cllr W Brock (Chair), Cllr R Bagnell, Cllr R Twining, Cllr T Blake, Cllr C Sole
Also present Pamela Hibbins, Clerk to Parish Council, Cllr K Carter
3 members of the public

21.69 **Chair's Announcements** - none

21.70 **Apologies for absence** – Cllr B Bagnell

21.71 **Declarations of Interests** – none

21.72 **Approval of Minutes**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd February 2021

Proposed: Cllr C Sole, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.73 **District Councillor's Report :**

District Councillor Ken Carter was in attendance and reported that elections will be going ahead for Police and Crime Commission and Hampshire County Council by-election. Postal voting is being encouraged, there will be polling stations but it will all be Covid safe with full PPE, bring your own pencil. It was noted that East Worldham Village hall is a polling station.

21.74 **Public questions:** – the Chairman adjourned the meeting to hear public questions

None were raised.

Meeting reconvened

21.75 **Financial Report:** The Clerk advised that the bank balances are as follows:

Current Account as 28/02/2021: £6,764.32

Instant Access Account (quarterly statements as 07/02/2021) : £22,598.57

Worldham Community Benefit Fund (quarterly statements as 03/01/2021 £10,176.43)

Less cheques o/s £33.60

TOTAL £39,505.72

Receipts ledger balance £39,505.72

21.76 **Payment Schedule:**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following for payments.

Proposed: Cllr C Sole, Seconded: Cllr R Twining

Action: Clerk

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE

	Payee	Description	Net	VAT	Total
01/03/21	P Hibbins - Clerk	Salary February 2021	£559.66	£0.00	£559.66
			£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
			£559.66	£0.00	£559.66

PAYMENTS RECEIVED -None

21.77 **Planning Applications:**

Update on previous applications (Appendix 1)

SDNP/21/00371/HOUS Jeffries Cottage Hartley Lane Hartley Mauditt Alton GU34 3BL

Free-standing, dwarf-walled traditional apex greenhouse with porch entrance, with gravel paths around, in garden to rear of house.

Deadline 12th March 2021

It was **AGREED NO OBJECTION**

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

59104 National Grid Tower in Hedgerow near, Water Lane, West Worldham, Alton

Removal of 30M grown out hedge along bank adjacent to tower.

Deadline 12th March 2021

It was **AGREED NO OBJECTION**

Proposed: Cllr T Blake, Seconded: Cllr W Brock

Action: Clerk

20612/001 Land at Park Farm, Clays Lane, East Worldham, Alton

Removal of 10M of hedgerow either side of the tower and will be reinstated after work is complete.

Deadline 11th March 2021

It was **AGREED NO OBJECTION**

Proposed: Cllr T Blake, Seconded: Cllr W Brock

Action: Clerk

SDNP/21/00317/HOUS Christmas Cottage, Green Street, Kingsley, Bordon, Hampshire GU35 9NN

Installation of dormer window to the rear of the property

Deadline 15th March 2021

It was **AGREED NO OBJECTION** as at the rear of the house and size is in keeping

Proposed: Cllr W Brock, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.78

Grants

The Parish Council received and reviewed a grant application form from The King's World who are seeking a donation of £300 to allow postage of the magazine during the coronavirus pandemic for three months (March, April, May). Noted it is a non-profit organisation, revenue created by advertising only covers the costs. The application for postage will cover Worldham residents only.

It was **AGREED** to grant this application for the three months period.

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action Clerk

The British Horse Society are seeking a donation of up to £7,000 to allow improvements to bridleway 504 to make it fit for purpose.

The application for financial assistance was made via the Worldham Community Benefit Fund. The Parish Council are Trustees of the Worldham Community Benefit Fund whose remit is in administering the fund is: *"To apply the Payment towards projects that will benefit the communities of the Parish Council"*.

The application is for work to be undertaken outside the Worldham Parish and would not benefit the Worldham Parishioners. To agree a grant would have set a precedent for

organisations outside the Worldham Parish to apply for a grant, which would not benefit the wider Worldham Community.

It was **AGREED** to deny this application as it's an application from outside the parish and will not benefit enough members of the local parish members.

Proposed: Cllr T Blake, Seconded: Cllr W Brock

Action: Clerk

21.79 Alton Neighbourhood Plan Modification – Regulation 14 Consultation

Alton Town Council made a decision in October 2020 to update their Neighbourhood Plan to protect Alton from speculative development. Worldham Parish Council have been approached as a consultee to the consultation as a local village whose residents will be regular users of the town centre.

It was **AGREED** to support the modification to their plans, recognising that this brings the housing allocations up to date.

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.80 Parish Assembly –

It was **AGREED** for the Annual Parish Assembly to take place on Wednesday 19th May 2021 at 7pm via Zoom. It was **AGREED** to invite County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee and District Councillors David Ashcroft and Ken Carter to speak. Other people that can be approached are Nicky Twining in her role as Foothpath officer/Speedwatch Officer/Village Agent and – Kate Denyer in her role in Neighbourhood Watch.

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.81 Fibre Optic Broadband

Cllr T Blake and Cllr W Brock fed back on a meeting with Grayshott Gigabit who are offering Gigabit speed broadband (up to 1,000Mbps) to the residents/businesses of East Hampshire. Over the past few years Hampshire Council in conjunction with Openreach created the county wide programme to enable Superfast broadband to increase broadband speeds to between 24-80Mbps. However, the Government has now tasked itself to push the country to adopt new technologies to bring in Gigabit speeds (1,000Mbps) to improve the digital economy. The Government has pledged £5bn to improve the nation's broadband connectivity to full gigabit enabled fibre to the premise to 85% of the population by 2025. To take advantage of the government's initiative and funding for rural areas, a scheme called the Gigabit Voucher Scheme for Rural Communities has been set up, and suppliers such as Grayshott Gigabit will apply on resident's & businesses to leverage funding to enable faster gigabit technology.

It was **AGREED** that the parish council would approach Glenn Peacey at Hampshire Superfast Broadband Programme and Grayshott, Headley Down and Hindhead to request further information and if appropriate to then approach Grayshott Gigabit to present at the Annual Parish Assembly.

Proposed: Cllr W Brock, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.82 Footpath Maps:

It was **RESOLVED** to apply for a District Councillor grant to purchase 180 copies of a Parish

Map from Yellow Publications which councillors will deliver to all households in the Parish. The cost for the maps was agreed at £478.80 with an additional cost of up to £150.00 for any letter printing and postage costs. The maps will be free to the households.

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr W Brock

Action: Clerk

21.83 EHDC CIL Applications -

The following potential bids were considered;-

Repairs and replacements on kissing gates and stiles were highlighted as potential CIL projects. It was confirmed that the kissing gates by King John's Hill have been reported to Countryside Access. It was **AGREED** that together with the parish council footpath representative a recommendation will be put into Countryside Access to look at the stile on the junction with footpath CL27 and the Binswood boundary which is very difficult for walkers with dogs as the fencing in that area does not allow dogs to go underneath.

Proposed: Cllr C Sole, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk/Footpath officer

It was **AGREED** to not put in a current bid for the village hall replacement roof or replacement floor but to investigate both potential projects and likely costs in line with potential future funding bids.

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.84 To note any reports or updates from Councillors or the Clerk regarding meetings attended or issues raised

It was **AGREED** for Cllr T Blake to speak at the SDNPA Planning Committee to be held on the 11th March 2021 on application number SDNP/20/03365/FUL Mr Garry Williams, Raising levels of an agricultural field with imported soils to solve a drainage issue. Meadow Farm Green Street East Worldham Bordon GU34 3AU

Proposed: Cllr R Twining, Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.85 Date of next meeting

Meetings are normally held on the first Wednesday of each month, 8pm, at East Worldham Village, and currently by Zoom. The next meeting to take place 7th April 2021.

21.86 EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Motion "In accordance with the provisions of Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted".

The Exempt Session is being held to discuss and agree the related salary and terms of employment.

It was **AGREED** for the parish clerk to received a 3% pay increase as budgeted for in 2021/2022. This was on completion of an annual appraisal conducted by the staffing working party. To note this brings the clerks new hourly rate from £12.50 to £12.88, starting from 1st April 2021.

Proposed: Cllr W Brock Seconded: Cllr T Blake

Action: Clerk

21.87 **Items for next agenda**

Village Hall deeds.

21.88 The Chair closed the meeting at 10.27pm.

Signed:.....

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Appendix 1 Planning Applications

APPENDIX 1 Existing Planning Applications updated 22/02/2021						
Planning App. Ref No	Address	Proposal	Consultation Expiry Date	Case Officer	Parish Council Comments	Decision
(EH1159)2020	East Hampshire (Wooded Land Opposite Oakland Farm, Green Street, East Worldham)	TPO			AGREED support temporary TPO for permanent TPO	
21832/003	Green Croft Cottage, Hartley Lane, Hartley Mauditt, Alton, GU34 3BH	Prior notification for single storey development extending 8 metres beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling, incorporating an eaves height of 3 metres and a maximum height of 3.1 metres	09/12/2020	Ashton Carruthers	NO OBJECTION due to small scale of extension in relation to the existing building and the proposed area not being overlooked.	Gen Permitted Development Conditional
SDNP/19/03709	Oaklands Farm Green Street East Worldham Bordon GU34 3AU	Change of use of Oakland Farm and associated land holdings from Agriculture and B8 (Open Storage) to mixed use Agriculture, B8 (Open Storage) and Seasonal Event Space associated with the holding of a Religious Festival associated with the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association; alongside the provision of external storage space, new landscape and revised ventilation and extraction equipment in association with the onsite kitchen.	31/10/2020	Rob Ainslie	OBJECT to this application. The current application does not address the previous comments and objection submitted.	It was AGREED to write to Tim Slaney asking for clarification on what action will now take place in terms of the current planning breaches.
57963/001	Land adjacent to 1 Dean Field, Kingsley, Bordon	Extension of an existing Gypsy/Traveller site comprising the siting of an additional 5 mobile Homes and Touring caravans, and the erection of 1 dayroom.			OBJECT on the lines of density and increased traffic issues on a small lane.	

SDNP/20/03365/FUL	Meadow Farm Green Street East Worldham Bordon GU34 3AU	Raising levels of an agricultural field with imported soils to solve a drainage issue.	31/10/2020	Sabrina Robinson	OBJECT due to the lack of evidence of agricultural use of this land in the recent years as well as any clear future intention to use the land for agriculture. The Parish Council consider the method of raising the level of the land for drainage purposes to be inefficient as well as potentially damaging to the landscape and wildlife by rendering the land sterile as well as creating a flood risk to the adjacent land.	
SDNP/20/03132/HOUS	1 Manor Farm Cottages Blanket Street East Worldham Alton GU34 3BB	Two-storey extension on the north facing side of the house and single story rear extension following demolition of conservatory.		Luke Turner	NO OBJECTION	Approved
5506/001	Land East of the Old Dairy, Selborne Road, Selborne, Alton	Request for EIA Screening Opinion for a proposed Solar Farm and associated development on land at Manor Farm, West	18/08/2020	Katherine Pang	AGREED to request an environmental impact assessment to be completed due to the size of the proposed site.	Environmental Impact Assess not required.
SDNP/20/02627/HOUS	1 Drove Cottages Blanket Street East Worldham Alton Hampshire GU34 3BA	Detached summer house following demolition of existing outbuildings	25/08/2020	Lisa Gill	NO COMMENT	Approved
SDNP/20/02603/HOUS	Clouds Hill Old House Gardens East Worldham Alton GU34 3AN	Single and two storey rear extension and glass verandah	07/08/2020	Lisa Gill	NO OBJECTION	Approved
SDNP/20/02529/LDE	Unit 1, Hartleywood Farm Hartley Lane Oakhanger Bordon Hampshire GU35 9JW	Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use - Use of the property (building and outdoor yard) known as Unit 1, Hartleywood Farm, Oakhanger for uses falling within B2 and B8 use classes and ancillary office use.	07/08/2021	Susie Ralston	NO OBJECTION	Approved
	Footpath 27	Proposed diversion	03/09/2020	Tara Potheary	OBJECTION The parish council considered the diversion but concluded that as we have as a parish council opposed the event that requires the temporary diversion that it would be at odds to therefore support this application for a diversion, temporarily or permanently. We	Order has been made and should be out for public consultation 26 th Feb 2021

					therefore object to the proposed diversion. It was noted that if this application did get approval the Parish Council felt that the current revised addition was the best option.	
33619/007	Alton Materials Recovery Facility, A31, Alton GU34 4JD	Development of an Energy Recovery Facility and Associated Infrastructure (VEOLIA Incinerator)	14/08/2020	Nick Upton	OBJECTION Concerns were expressed in regards to the surrounding landscape. For the proposed site 4 of the noted 21 viewpoints are in Worldham. The addition of the proposed industrial structure against the current rural view will be visible from these view points. It was noted that there was no mention of the B3004 or A325 as part of the traffic management reporting. Disused railway sidings have not been used as part of the way to mitigate the increase in traffic in lorries.	AGREED to submit additional OBJECTION comments in light of the additional information received.
SDNP/20/01170/FUL	4 Binswood View Business Centre Hartley Lane Oakhanger Bordon GU35 9JW	Agricultural building		Danielle Hall	NO OBJECTION as a direct replacement to an application that already been approved.	
SDNP/20/00948/FUL	Willow Cottage Rookery Farm Lane Kingsley Bordon GU35 9NN	Two dwellings with associated parking following demolition of existing dwelling and identified outbuildings		Danielle Hall	NO OBJECTION but have some reservations and would recommend that a site visit is met in regards to the outbuilding criteria and footprint and if these are included in the footprint of the proposal and also that there is no issue with the access to the property	Approved