

## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER, Heckfield Village Hall

Parish Councillors Keith Alderman (Chairman), Guy Chessell, Andy Piercy, Jenny Roberts;  
Clerk Susan Turner; Guest County Cllr Tim Davies

2023.

### 51 **WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

Apologies Anne Crampton, Andy Piercy.

### 52 **PUBLIC SESSION** No members of the public present.

### 53 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** of 15 May AGM agreed and signed.

### 54 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** in items on the Agenda, none.

### 55 **HOUND GREEN**

#### .1 **Phone box**

Update Preparation for internal electrics **APPENDIX I.**

Grant request prepared to County Cllr devolved budget for glazing.

Discussion – Concerns re moving the phone box in an unfinished state and the amount of work remaining to completion; Unwillingness to commit substantial budget.

Proposal – the phone box be sold in its present state. Defibrillators provided for the two pubs in the Parish.

ACTIONS Proposal to be discussed with all members of the Parish Council.

Guy Chessell to confirm with the Mutton re their hosting and the siting of defibrillator.

Chairman to confirm with Leather Bottle re their hosting and the siting of defibrillator.

Clerk to submit request to County Councillor devolved budget for second defib.

FURTHER DISCUSSION – There has been stated intent to provide a defibrillator for Hound Green. To consider if / how, that could / should still be achieved.

#### .2 **Management** – Brash piles (as from the tree cutting) to be cleared from adjacent to Hound Green Close and Vicarage Lane / B3349 junction. These not seen in a positive light and shown to encourage fly tipping.

#### .3 **Bonfire party** – To arrange for November. Move and burn the brash piles, encourage residents to bring unwanted wood to burn.

#### .4 **Pond** Proposal to submit grant funding proposal from Hart Community Grant scheme (up to £10K) for pond restoration project.

AGREED Not in favour initially of a proposal for grant funding. This initially to be a low key community project led by residents.

### 56 **HAZELEY HEATH**

Deer cull Chairman to contact Warden re deer cull. Report issued in April said the need for a second phase of the cull would be reviewed and we would know by October. Residents need to know if the cull is going ahead, and if so who is doing what and when.

Cattle The system of farmers bringing their own cattle on and off the Heath hasn't proved reliable; the moving an additional task, and involving a lot of paperwork. RSPB have bought their own cattle, Belted Galloways to be brought down from the Lake District and then released long term onto the Heath.

Whole new team now managing the Heath. Sent apologies that no minutes produced from the last meeting due to lack of time. Next meeting date tbc.

### 57 **HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY**

#### .1 **Hazeley Bottom road flooding on corner** boundary with Creek Farm

Logged HCC website ref 21687791. Phone update received from Highways Officer, 23 Aug.

Notes from phone conversation

- Yes the ditch on the inner corner is a holding ditch, yes the problem is the ditch flooding as its capacity overwhelmed.

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- There is no culvert under the road here.
- No knowledge of issues regarding the public footpath to the south (but Highways officer not Countryside Services).
- Highways Officer suggested solution to cut grips into the south side of the verge. [Question this as water pools on the inside of the bend on the north side?]
- In response to question regarding HCC contacting landowners re their ditches. Highways Officer comment that 98% roadside ditches are responsibility of adjacent landowner. Some look after them, some don't. HCC will contact landowners if an issue is raised. In this case, not done so; visited the site two to three weeks ago after heavy rain and the amount of water on the road negligible. [Again question this because the ditch starts overflowing once the land already waterlogged; which wouldn't have recently been the case. To monitor.]

ACTION Guy Chessell to maintain contact with Highways Officer.

**.2 Hazeley Bottom blocked culverts through village**

Logged HCC website ref 21687802 Phone update received from Highways Officer, 23 Aug.  
Notes from phone conversation

- Highways recognition there has been a problem here last seven to 10 years.
- Works have been programmed – one job number which came to light = 22316191. Works assigned to contractor so can't say exactly when - but 'shortly' – definitely by end calendar year.
- Will require full road closure.
- Highways Officer described two separate drainage systems in Hazeley Bottom. Top system from Bricketts - above Shirley's Cottage and Bricklayers – down maybe as far as Orchard End / Fairview. Then another system from Old Forge to Heath Cottage.
- This all goes – believes should go – into big ditch by Hazeley Cottage.
- Understanding is that contractor will first dig two trial holes – one at top and one by Hazeley cottage. Won't know initially what they're dealing with or where everything goes. Will try the standard everything: to jet the systems (culverts / catchpits / carriers); then CCTV; root cutter (likely a lot of the pipes blocked up with tree roots); assess any pipe damage. Where damaged, will need to dig up and replace – no guessing how much work this likely to be.

Noted – Parish Council and residents should receive notice of road closure from HCC.  
Potential further issues if drainage pipes under private land are collapsed.

ACTION Guy Chessell to maintain contact with Highways Officer.

**.3 Routine gully cleaning** HCC contractor tanker with suction pipe recently clearing gullies.

**.4 Village Gateways and signage**

- 1 Gateway installation imminent – by end October
- 2 Parish Lengthsman scheduled to clear sites of vegetation; delayed by Covid. To be rescheduled asap.
- 3 Adding 'Twinning' notice to Gates: 'Twinned with Saint-Savin and Malle.' HCC will do this but to be booked as a separate programme. Not add to existing job. Estimated £500.

AGREED In principle – to seek to purchase signs at lower cost. **APPENDIX II**

**.5 Mapboards** Proposal to have the mapboards re-made in line with amended bridleway routes on the Heath. Update that these not yet finalised, in hands of RSPB and HCC.

**58 KILN FARM SOLAR**

- .1** Foundations / pile driving complete. Discharge of conditions application on Hart website. Noting intrusive noise impact of the pile driving 0745hrs to post 1800hrs.

23/01787/CON HECKFIELD (Pending 11 Aug 2023) Land Lying To The North Of Vicarage Lane, Hound Green. Discharge of Condition 7 (Details of foundations and supporting structures) pursuant to planning permission (ref: 21/02749/FUL) - Construction of a temporary 17.87 MW Solar Farm, to include the installation of Solar Panels with LV switch/transformer, customer switchgear/T Boot enclosure, a DNO substation enclosure, security fencing, landscaping and other associated infrastructure.

**.2** Note from Heckfield re road hazard B3349 to Bar Lane – works traffic turning.

**.3** Local residents unhappy with road closures, damage to local roads, but particularly lack of information. Part of Enviromena's pitch had been they a local company and maintain good local relations and communication.

ACTION Clerk to seek updates from Enviromena.

NOTED From County Cllr Tim Davies that Utilities have the right to dig up the road but duty to restore at least to condition they found. Present condition, road will break up rapidly with more use and bad weather. He will make contact with portfolio holder Nick Adams-King.

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**59 PLANNING**

**.1 Parish Planning Applications** Planning update **APPENDIX III.**

**.2 Applications of note APPENDIX IV**

[23/01905/FUL](#) (Validated 06 Sept 2023) Bramshill House. Change of use of Bramshill House, Stable Block, Hazeley Lodges and surrounding land to use as single dwelling (Use Class C3).

Given to understand that the new owner has bought the Estate and neighbouring Lea Farm: Bramshill House to be used as a private dwelling – unfortunately no longer be annual open days – and estate manager to live in Lea Farm. Agreed to respond in favour of this application.

**.3 Hart Local Plan update APPENDIX V**

NOTED 'Settlement Capacity and Intensification Study', and a call for sites; this first phase for within settlement boundaries only and for sites accommodating at least five units.

**.4 Government open consultation**

FOR INFO ONLY Levelling-up & Regeneration Bill: consultation on implementation of Plan-making reforms. Published 25 July 2023, open till 18 October. Notes at **APPENDIX VI.** [www.gov.uk/government/consultations/plan-making-reforms-consultation-on-implementation](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/plan-making-reforms-consultation-on-implementation)

Agreed no benefit to Parish Council in responding.

**60 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE**

**.1 Internal audit complete** Accounts and AGAR forms published on Parish Council website.

**.2 Accounts to date APPENDIX VII.I. Bank reconciliation £26,240.44**

**Payments** since last meeting

12	PGGM Maintenance May	£325.27
13	Gallagher Insurance 2023/24	£925.99
14	Clerk Salary-May	£432.60
15	Peter Brown Internal Audit	£75.00
16	Heckfield VH – Meeting venue May	£28.00
17	PGGM Maintenance June	£325.27
18	Clerk Salary-June	£432.60
19	Clerk Salary-July	£432.60
20	PGGM Maintenance July	£325.27
21	Hart District Council Election expenses	£62.64
22	PGGM Maintenance Aug	£325.27
23	Clerk Salary-Aug	£432.60

**Income of note since last meeting** – VAT refund £3,412.20 to March 2023.

**.3 Budget review APPENDIX VII.II**

Revised grant application to be prepared for County Cllr devolved budget, £1K towards second defibrillator.

**61 COUNCILLOR VACANCIES**

Agreed a proactive approach needed. To reach out to landowners and new residents alike. Printed leaflets, hand delivered. Opportunity to talk about the things have been working on and the opportunities for new people to help achieve. Overall looking to retain and protect rural nature of parish and villages, our green space which have access for all, encouraging community involvement.

**62 REVIEW OBJECTIVES MPC 2023/24** Agreed first objective is more members.

**63 FURTHER REPORTS AND UPDATES**

**.1 Twinning** Meeting in New Inn of 18 July – Intending to host visitors from Saint-Savin in May next year. Looking for activities, venues of interest in the participating Villages beyond Hartley Wintney. Update from Jenny Roberts on evolving plans: On the Sunday a walk over Hazeley Heath – idea to pause by the Village Gateways announcing the twinning. The Mutton suggested but need a lower cost indoor venue; can't rely on picnic in the garden in case of bad weather. So to Holdshott Farm to Rosie's Tea Rooms for lunch – (approx 50 people), can provide some of own food for an indoor picnic. Then a visit to Mattingley

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church. Potential also to stop at Leather Bottle, could use garden, but need a venue where under cover can be guaranteed.

- .2 Police – PACT meeting** Meeting Wed 02 August cancelled.
- REPORT from County Cllr Tim Davies that PCSO Nick Greenwood off work but this due to broken leg. Received assurances from new Sergeant that meetings in future not be cancelled without notice. Some police stations receiving funding to open fully and this will include Yateley; now fully staffed with six officers.
- .3 SID update** Chairman conveyed a request from Long Sutton for loan of connectors for data download. Agreed by all.
- .4 Hart Climate Emergency Engagement Group** First meeting Tuesday 26 September, and then quarterly; Hart DC Civic Offices, 7pm-9pm, Clerk to attend.
- .5 NATURE 2030** – Supported by Wildlife Trusts and other agencies. Ref 'Save our Chalk Streams' campaign from Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust **APPENDIX VIII**  
Question as to how long a river retains its chalk stream status once flowed off the chalk? How long will it retain its high pH? A question for Whitewater Valley Preservation Society.
- .6 Hampshire Forest Partnership:**  
From: Tree Planting Enquiries <treeplanting@hants.gov.uk>  
Subject: Hampshire Forest Partnership – tree planting in Basingstoke & Deane  
Hampshire Forest Partnership, an exciting new project in Hampshire County Council's Countryside Service which aims to plant one million trees across Hampshire by 2050. [www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryside/our-work/hampshireforestpartnership](http://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryside/our-work/hampshireforestpartnership)  
'Miyawaki' mini-forest project  
'If you're a local resident, parish councillor, business, teacher, landowner or farmer who has land that would be perfect for tree planting, we'd love to hear from you.'  
'We're looking to plant mini forests across Hampshire. Also called a Miyawaki forest, after the Japanese botanist who invented the technique; they're created using a planting technique that can quickly establish an entire forest ecosystem [c30 different species]. These are usually about the size of a tennis court and so works particularly well in small spaces where there isn't enough room for larger woodlands. We're looking for community groups to partner with us to achieve this. Get in touch to find out more at [treeplanting@hants.gov.uk](mailto:treeplanting@hants.gov.uk)'
- .7 Parish Council website** Hugo Fox has provided free community websites for a number of years; now to begin charging. Their basic (bronze) package will be £9.99 per month.
- AGREED To remain with Hugo Fox for time being at cost of c£120 per annum.
- .8 Clerk email address** @parish.hants.gov.uk to be discontinued in December.
- 64 NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** 16 Oct, 20 Nov.  
*Meeting closed at 9pm with thanks to all*

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## APPENDIX I PHONE BOX ELECTRICS – Ref Guy Chessell email 17 July

**1. First we need a box to put everything in.** The picture below is what would typically go on the outside wall of a house and you can see the fire board in the back. The board isolates the electric equipment and provides a base to screw everything that follows on to. This example is too small, plastic and not lockable! So not much good for us but gives an idea.



Meter Box

Part Code: EB0011

Weather resistant

Will not rot or corrode

Suitable for all meters including prepay and smart

Cable entry and meter tail positions are predrilled and supplied with infill cap

Complete with timber backboard, hinges, lock and key

Fire retardant to BS476 Part 7 1997 Class2



**2. First thing in the box is the supply head,** which is fitted by SSE as part of the quote they have given you. They will put the power cable from the pole, down the duct I put in, and up into the bottom of this supply head, as picture.



595mm x  
Meter Bo

Part Code: EB001  
Stock Code: 1125

Weather res

Will not rot

Suitable for



**3. Once the supply head is in, we have to decide who we want to supply the electricity and then ask them to fit a meter.**

So each of the first two steps is done by separate companies at different times. We will probably also want them to fit an isolator switch

**4. Then we need an electrician to come and fit a small consumer unit (left) and run wiring for plugs, lights and defibrillator.**



**5a. Once things are in the box they will look like this.**

Note though they only managed to fit the supply head, meter and isolator switch in the standard box.



**5b.** Here is how someone did it with 2 boxes in order to also fit the consumer unit.

And imagine the boxes marked 'Main' and 'OffPeak' could be our double plug socket and something needed by the defib.

Our consumer unit should be smaller but even so you get the idea why we need a bigger box than standard in order to get what we need securely in.



## APPENDIX III



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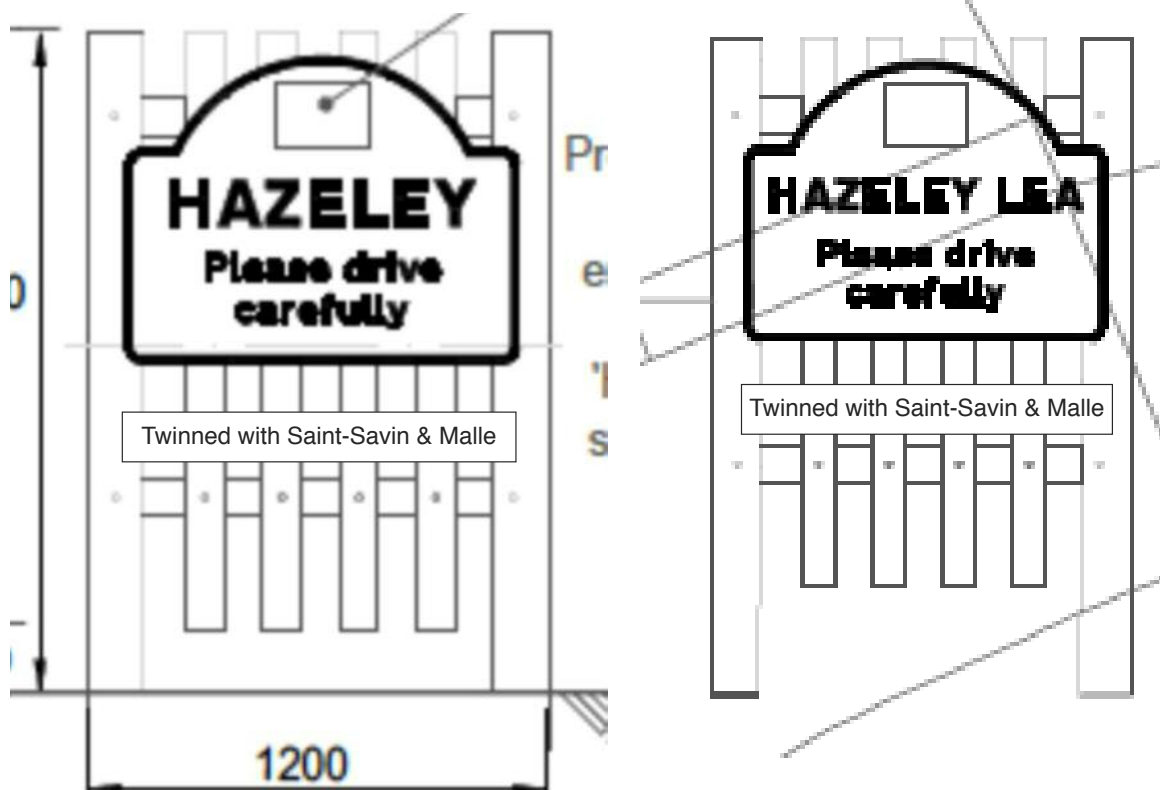
ENQUIRY RE AN EXTRA SIGN TO THE HAZELEY AND HAZELEY LEA GATES?

to read :

**Twinned with Saint-Savin and Malle**

NOT to be incorporated into the main sign which would make it too cluttered and too big. Wanting to cover as little of the structure of the gate as possible.

Suggesting something like as below



**APPENDIX III.I****PLANNING UPDATE 18 SEPT – MATTINGLEY****APPLICATIONS SINCE LAST MEETING**

[23/01905/FUL](#) (Validated 06 Sep 2023) Bramshill House. Change of use of Bramshill House, the Stable Block, Hazeley Lodges and surrounding land to use as a single dwelling (Use Class C3).

[23/01964/S106](#) (Validated 01 Sep 2023) Middle Of The World Farm Vicarage Lane. Discharge of Section 106 Agreement.

[23/01775/FUL](#) (Validated 04 Sep) Robin Cottage, Reading Road. Erection of a two storey side extension to a previously converted agricultural barn (now residential). Change of use to include agricultural land within residential curtilage.

[23/01787/CON HECKFIELD](#) (Pending 11 Aug 2023) Land Lying To The North Of Vicarage Lane, Hound Green. Discharge of Condition 7 (Details of foundations and supporting structures) pursuant to planning permission (ref: 21/02749/FUL) - Construction of a temporary 17.87 MW Solar Farm, to include the installation of Solar Panels with LV switch/transformer, customer switchgear/T Boot enclosure, a DNO substation enclosure, security fencing, landscaping and other associated infrastructure.

[23/01571/CA](#) (Pending 11 Aug 2023) Old Farm House, Hazeley Bottom. 1. G1 Sycamore - Reduce the canopies of these pollarded trees, by 7.5 m. 2. T1 Douglas Fir - Reduce the over extended limb at the top of the tree by 2m. 3. T2 Cherry - Reduce over extended limbs by 1-1.5m. 4. T3 Horse Chestnut - Reduce the canopy of this previously pollarded tree by 7.5m.

[23/01484/TPO](#) (Pending 06 Jul 2023) Land At Japonica, Hound Green. 1. Oak (T2 within the TPO HDC 341) - Reduce the extended low limb which overhangs the house to the North by 1.5 - 2 metres and the extended limb to the West by 1.5 - 2 metres.

[23/01459/LDC](#) (Refuse [will require planning permission] 25 Aug 2023) Green Park Reading Road, Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for Proposed garage & pool building.

[23/01440/HOU](#) (Grant 25 August 2023) Little Applewood, Vicarage Lane. Erection of single storey side and rear extensions following demolition of existing conservatory and alterations to windows and doors.

[23/00820/FUL HECKFIELD](#) (Refuse 23 June 2023) Coldpiece Farm. Erection of 10 floodlights, each 6m high, around the existing manège. HECKFIELD

[23/01363/LDC](#) (Grant 16 August, Validated 20 Jun) Middle Of The World Farm, Vicarage Lane. Occupation of the property in breach of the agricultural occupancy condition

[23/01358/LDC](#) (Pending 19 Jun 2023) Use of West End Farm Barn as two dwellinghouses, that is Barn 1 and Barn 2, for in excess of four and in excess of ten years before the date of this application. Use of West End Farm Barn as two dwellinghouses, that is Barn 1 and Barn 2, for in excess of four and in excess of 10 years before the date of this application.

[23/01321/LBC](#) (Pending 16 Jun 2023) West End Farm Barn, Bottle Lane, Mattingley. Variations from 05/01366/LBC approved drawings: West End Farm Barn 1. Relocation of approved new stud wall and cupboard size reduced. 2. Relocation of approved new stud wall. 3. Staircase repositioned to avoid cutting through the timber frame, glazed apex reduced in size, first floor en-suite reduced. 4. Staircase repositioned to avoid cutting through the timber frame. 5. Existing structural walls retained to avoid cutting through and removing parts of the timber frame. The Dairy 1. Entrance/corridor reconfigured. 2. Bathroom repositioned to reduce need for service runs. 3. Living room/kitchen doorway enlarged. 4. Approved roof gable omitted to retain original building form. External – Various windows repositioned or resized in order to preserve the integrity of the timber frame.

[23/01376/EIA](#) (EIA NOT REQUIRED 15 Sept) Amended address - Land South Of Wedgewood Farm, Hazeley Heath – [23/01376/EIA](#) (Validated 13 Jun 2023) Land And Buildings On The West Side Of Springwell Lane Hartley Wintney. Request for a screening opinion under the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 for a 11kV (11,000 Volt) network improvement scheme

[23/01187/LBC](#) (Pending 31 May 2023) Old School House, Hound Green, Mattingley. Remove oil tank and retaining wall and replace two single doors to existing double garage with one door.

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[23/01108/FUL](#) (Pending 24 May 2023) Hatts Cottage, Hazeley Heath. Demolition of existing dwelling and annex/garage and erection of replacement dwelling and annex/garage with associated landscaping and parking.

[23/01031/CA](#) (Pending 05 May) Fosters, Reading Road, Mattingley. 1. T1 - Oak (Approximately 18m in height with a crown spread of 15m) - Reduce height by up to 5m leaving a finished height of 13m. Reduce crown spread by 3m leaving a finished spread of 12m 2. T2 - Ash - Fell Tree has previously lost one stem which fell into neighbouring property. Base of tree has extensive decay 3. T3 - Birch (dead) - fell.

[23/01027/HOU](#) (Grant 08 August) Green Park, Reading Road, Mattingley. Ground works including; re levelling, installation of ground source heat pump outfield, installation of rainwater harvesting system, installation of new soakaways, installation of new Klargestor bio disc complete with outfield, and formation of new tennis court.

[23/01021/PREAPP](#) (Pending 11 May 2023) The Mutton At Hazeley Heath. Erection of new building to provide 8 units of guest accommodation

[23/00858/PREAPP](#) (Opinion issued 24 July 2023) Bannisters Farm, Mattingley Green. Single storey extension

[23/00826/HOU](#) (Grant 13 June) Orchard House, Mattingley Green. Erection of a new outdoor kitchen structure and single storey front, side and rear extensions to dwelling.

[23/00733/FUL](#) (Pending 19 May 2023) Apple Tree Barn, Hazeley Heath. Change of use of land to equestrian and erection of a wooden stable building.

[23/00650/HOU](#) and [23/00651/LBC](#) (Pending 28 Mar 2023) Hazeley Cottage Hazeley Bottom Internal alterations, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation to include the replacement of the garage doors with doors and alterations to the rooflights, erection of an orangery following demolition of existing, alterations to link extension including a ground floor extension to side, alterations to door to ground floor side, raising the roof and alterations to the rooflights, erection of a detached car port with habitable accommodation at first floor, erection of a first floor covered terrace to rear with undercroft at ground floor, extension of driveway, replacement of a door to ground floor side with a window, alterations to windows to first floor front, insertion of a rooflight to front, alterations to door and windows to ground and first floor rear. Support comments received, bat survey required.

[23/00073/FUL](#) HECKFIELD (Pending 16 Mar 2023) Coldpiece Farm. Change of use of agricultural barn to residential use ancillary to Coldpiece Farm dwelling with associated internal and external alterations Open for comment icon Hound Green Mattingley Hook Hampshire RG27 8LQ



## **APPENDIX IV** APPLICATIONS OF NOTE

[23/01905/FUL](#) (Validated 06 Sep 2023) Bramshill House. Change of use of Bramshill House, the Stable Block, Hazeley Lodges and surrounding land to use as a single dwelling (Use Class C3).

[23/01108/FUL](#) (Pending 24 May 2023) Hatts Cottage, Hazeley Heath. Demolition of existing dwelling and annex/garage and erection of replacement dwelling and annex/garage with associated landscaping and parking. Consultation now to Mon 21 August, case officer Aimee Harris.

Note from Jenny – 'I have looked at the plans. A very large replacement dwelling and a large gatehouse and entrance gate. Very big development and as one objector has said likely to be a tarmac road across the heath. They [Pheasantry] have been wanting their own road access from the B3011 for ages and it looks like a way to get it. I am waiting to hear from the RSPB to hear their view. I think if we comment, this would be what I would focus on.'

### Consultee comments

Countryside Services – no objection subject to Condition... '1. No vehicles (including builder's and contractor's), machinery, equipment, materials, spoil, scaffolding, or anything else associated with the works, use or occupation of the development, shall be left on or near to a Public Right of Way as to cause obstruction, hindrance or a hazard to their legitimate users. The public retain the right to use the PROW network at all times.'

Ecology – request for further survey – a 'Protected Species addendum' since loaded onto the website. Ecology no objection providing mitigation for bats.

A well informed neighbour comment raising similar concerns as Jenny re access to the Pheasantry.

Ramblers - Comment / request re a gate and waymark.

[23/01376/EIA](#) (**EIA NOT REQUIRED** 15 Sept) Amended address - Land South Of Wedgewood Farm, Hazeley Heath – [23/01376/EIA](#) (Validated 13 Jun 2023) Land And Buildings On The West Side Of Springwell Lane Hartley Wintney. Request for a screening opinion under the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 for a 11kV (11,000 Volt) network improvement scheme

NOTE As an EIA application – some impact on the Heath envisaged.

Ecology recommends an Ecological Impact Assessment (EcIA) - as part of an EIA or otherwise.

Tree officer requests more info

These docs to be submitted as part of a planning application but a full EIA not required.

[23/01021/PREAPP](#) (Pending 11 May 2023) The Mutton At Hazeley Heath. Erection of new building to provide 8 units of guest accommodation. Still awaiting an answer.

[23/00733/FUL](#) (Pending 19 May 2023) Apple Tree Barn, Hazeley Heath. Change of use of land to equestrian and erection of a wooden stable building. Objection - holding objection - from Ecology due to proximity to Heath and lack of species and habitats info

[23/00650/HOU](#) and [23/00651/LBC](#) (Pending 28 Mar 2023) Hazeley Cottage Hazeley Bottom Internal alterations, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation. Conservation - holding objection pending further info/amendments. Bat survey submitted July. Subsequent Ecology response further surveys needed; Seems might get there eventually

## APPENDIX V

21 August 2023

### HART LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

'SETTLEMENT CAPACITY AND INTENSIFICATION STUDY', AND A CALL FOR SITES  
(FOR INFO - NOTING THIS FIRST PHASE NOT LIKELY TO BE RELEVANT TO US)

The Hart Local Plan was adopted in April 2020 (backdated to 2016) and ostensibly plans for housing up to April 2032. However the NPPF requires Local Plans to be reviewed every five years (so for Hart by April 2025) to ensure housing delivery and five year housing land supply is on track.

NPPF Para 33 says:

33. Policies in Local Plans and spatial development strategies should be reviewed to assess whether they need updating at least once every five years, and should then be updated as necessary.

Reviews should be completed no later than five years from the adoption date of a Plan, and should take into account changing circumstances affecting the area, or any relevant changes in national policy. Relevant strategic policies will need updating at least once every five years if their applicable local housing need figure has changed significantly; and they are likely to require earlier review if local housing need is expected to change significantly in the near future.

Hart at present has a very strong deliverable housing land supply – at least 10 years – and so in theory any review, at least in terms of housing policy and spacial development strategy, might be nominal.

But it is in line with Government policy to continually update and monitor a register of potential development sites. (SHELAA – Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment.) Need to keep planning forward over the next 10, 15 years; so for 2035 and beyond will need to be bringing in new sites and can't wait until 2032 to be thinking about this. (Hartlands Park will be delivering for another 10 years.)

Also Government is changing the system – again (note LURB – Levelling-up and Regeneration Bil). Potentially introducing new types of Local Plan – and question marks over housing numbers.

Therefore Hart have employed consultants and begin their Local Plan Update process with a 'Settlement Capacity and Intensification Study', and a call for sites – initially within Settlement Policy Boundaries only.

This asks anyone – landowners, developers, parish councils, community groups, members of the public – **to propose any site within a Settlement Boundary they think would be suitable for development and likely to accommodate at least five dwellings.**

SO, THIS FIRST STAGE IS ONLY WITHIN SETTLEMENT. (Brownfield-outside-settlement, then Greenfield will come later.)

This first phase unlikely to be relevant to us.

'Intensification' not appropriate within our settlement boundaries, any proposal for a development of five dwellings most likely to be considered overdevelopment.

Hart Teams session 22 Aug 2-3pm.

## APPENDIX VI NOTES ON GOVERNMENT LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

### GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON LOCAL PLAN-MAKING REFORMS

Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill consultation open till 18 October

[www.gov.uk/government/consultations/plan-making-reforms-consultation-on-implementation](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/plan-making-reforms-consultation-on-implementation)

The Government is consulting on proposals for a 30-month target for Local Plan preparation. The aim is for Local Plans to be prepared more quickly and updated more frequently so more of them are up-to-date.

Under these proposals, the Local Planning Authorities (LPA) would be required to go through six preparation stages and three mandatory 'gateways' to get their Local Plans in place. At each gateway point, 'assessors' would check that the Plan meets legal requirements and is sound, and would flag up any potential issues. The first gateway 'may' involve assessment by a Planning Inspector, the second and third definitely would.

To help meet the proposed 30-month time frame, the test of 'Soundness', which holds up many Plans at public examination, is set to be changed to 'ensure that the evidence prepared by local authorities is proportionate'. And Plan examinations should take no longer than six months.

Re the tests of Soundness the Government is still to undertake work on how the 'alignment' test will replace the Duty to Co-operate, and also consider the test of Deliverability and the test of Meeting Development Needs.

The Local Plan's Evidence Base currently includes extensive (and expensive) evidence material to demonstrate the Plan is sound. It will be important for Government to define what evidence councils are expected to produce.

Involving Planning Inspectors at the gateway stages has been welcomed in creating greater collaboration between the LPA and the Inspectorate early on. However Planning Inspectors are in short supply; more input by Inspectors could bring more costs and if different Inspectors are involved at different stages, this could cause problems as their approaches may differ.

'Nationally defined' digital templates would set out 'standardised approaches' to parts of the Plan. However there is concern about how far 'standardisation' should go – councils must be able to customise the documents to cater for the different qualities and challenges of their areas.

The Government objective of simplifying the Plan-making process has been welcomed by planners and developers. But concerns have been raised that the proposals oversimplify such that resulting Plans may not be sufficiently 'robust' or 'ambitious', speed being achieved at the cost of quality.

[www.planningresource.co.uk/article/1831982/14-key-proposed-changes-local-plan-making-governments-latest-consultation](https://www.planningresource.co.uk/article/1831982/14-key-proposed-changes-local-plan-making-governments-latest-consultation)

## APPENDIX VII.I

## MATTINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL - INCOME 2023/24 - 18 SEPT 2023

Balance brought forward 1st April 2023

£18,955.23

Date	Item		Precept	Grants	VAT	Interest	Total Receipts
13/04/23	Parish Precept		£12,600.00				£12,600.00
22/08/23	VAT 2021-23				£3,412.20		£3,412.20
2023/24	Bank interest					£109.07	£109.07
	<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>£12,600.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£3,412.20</b>	<b>£109.07</b>	<b>£16,121.27</b>

£16,121.27

## RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS SUMMARY

Bal brought forward 1st April 2023	£18,955.23
Plus income	£16,121.27
Minus expenditure	£8,836.06
<b>Balance</b>	<b>£26,240.44</b>

## BANK RECONCILIATION

Club, charity, trust	£667.31
Bus instant access	£25,573.13
<i>Balance to take over</i>	£26,240.44

**Club, Charity  
And Trust  
Account**

Available funds:  
**£667.31**

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**Business Instant Access** > **£25,573.13** [View full](#)

MATTINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL - EXPENDURE 2023/24 – 18 SEPT

No	Inv Date	Pay Date	Supplier	Description	Salary	Finance Admin	Community	Maintn Contract	H Green other	Project	VAT	TOTALS
1	04/04/23	04/04/23	Heckfield VH-90	Meeting venue Mar		£28.00						£28.00
2	10/03/23	04/04/23	HCC	Gateways - 50%deposit						£2,975.00		£2,975.00
3	March	04/04/23	Clerk	Salary-March	£432.60							£432.60
4	20/04/23	28/04/23	PGGM-inv1994	Maintenance April				£253.34			£50.67	£304.01
5	20/03/23	04/05/22	M Hazell	Hound Green moles					£80.00			£80.00
6	04/05/23	04/05/23	Clerk	Salary-April	£432.60							£432.60
7	09/05/23	09/05/22	PGGM-2028	Digger - phone box trench						£65.00	£13.00	£78.00
8	11/04/23	13/05/23	HALC	HALC / NALC subs		283.48						£283.48
9	04/05/23	13/05/23	Heckfield VH-98	Meeting venue April		£28.00						£28.00
10	20/04/23	13/05/23	PGGM-inv-1994	Maintenance April bal				£17.72			£3.54	£21.26
11	11/04/23	13/05/23	WhiteWaterValey PS	Subs 2023/24			£50.00					£50.00
12	20/04/23	30/05/23	PGGM	Maintenance May				£271.06			£54.21	£325.27
13	26/04/23	31/05/23	Gallagher	Insurance 2023/24		£925.99						£925.99
14	28/05/23	31/05/23	Clerk	Salary-May	£432.60							£432.60
15	16/06/23	31/05/23	Peter Brown	Internal Audit		£75.00						£75.00
16	04/05/23	13/05/23	Heckfield VH-07	Meeting venue May		£28.00						£28.00
17	JUNE	30/06/23	PGGM	Maintenance June				£271.06			£54.21	£325.27
18	JUNE	01/07/23	Clerk	Salary-June	£432.60							£432.60
19	JULY	27/07/23	Clerk	Salary-July	£432.60							£432.60
20	JULY	30/07/23	PGGM	Maintenance JuLY				£271.06			£54.21	£325.27
21	14/06/23	11/08/23	Hart District Council	Election expenses		£62.64						£62.64
22	Aug	29/08/23	PGGM	Maintenance Aug				£271.06			£54.21	£325.27
23	Aug	08/09/23	Clerk	Salary-Aug	£432.60							£432.60
TOTALS					£2,595.60	£1,431.11	£50.00	£1,355.30	£80.00	£3,040.00	£284.05	£8,836.06
Date	Supplier			Description	Salary	Finance Admin	Community	Maintn Contract	H Green other	Projects	VAT	TOTALS

£8,836.06

## APPENDIX VII.II

MPC YE, BUDGET, LATEST EST		2023/24 TO DATE 18 SEPT	2023/24 LATEST EST SEPT 2023	2023/24 BUDGET JAN 2023
	2022/23 YE			
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
CLERK'S SALARY	£4,758.60	£2,595.60	£5,623.80	£5,191.20
CLERK'S ALLOWANCE	£324.00		£324.00	£324.00
CHAIRMAN'S EXPENSES			£100.00	£100.00
TRAINING				
FINANCE / ADMIN	£1,393.55	£1,431.11	£1,431.11	£1,600.00
PRINT / PUBLISH / DESIGN	£100.00			
COMMUNITY / DONATIONS	£25.00	£50.00	£500.00	£500.00
HOUND GREEN -contract	£3,040.08	£1,355.30	£3,252.72	£3,344.00
HOUND GREEN other	£180.00	£80.00	£500.00	£500.00
MAINTENANCE (OTHER)	£562.50		£500.00	£500.00
GLEBE WOOD			£500.00	£500.00
Projects				
HOUND GREEN TREES	£8,574.08			
HOUND GREEN POND			£1,000.00	
Jubilee	£864.47			
Benches	£1,057.38			
Phone Box	£1,378.23	£65.00	£1,500.00	
Defibrillators			£2,500.00	
Plough Lane gateways		£2,975.00	£6,000.00	£6,000.00
VAT	£2,469.60	£284.05	£2,900.00	£2,500.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£24,727.49</b>	<b>£8,836.06</b>	<b>£26,631.63</b>	<b>£21,059.20</b>
Expenditure less projects	£12,853.33		£15,631.63	
Expend less projects, less VAT	£10,383.73		£12,731.63	
<b>INCOME</b>				
PRECEPT	£12,000.00	£12,600.00	£12,600.00	£12,600.00
County Cllr Dev budget	£2,105.66		£1,000.00	£500.00
Vat refund		£3,412.20	£6,312.20	£2,500.00
Bank interest	£161.99	£109.07	£200.00	£125.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>£14,267.65</b>	<b>£16,121.27</b>	<b>£20,112.20</b>	<b>£15,725.00</b>
Surplus // Deficit	<b>£10,459.84</b>	<b>£7,285.21</b>	<b>£6,519.43</b>	<b>£5,334.20</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>£18,955.23</b>	<b>£26,240.44</b>	<b>£12,435.80</b>	<b>£12,901.69</b>



## APPENDIX VIII



**Hampshire &  
Isle of Wight  
Wildlife Trust**

We know that England's rarest and richest chalk stream rivers should be gin-clear and sparkling with vitality. Instead, they are clogged and choked by toxic chemicals, fertilisers and sewage. Drought and overconsumption are draining the life out of rivers, with devastating consequences for the wildlife and people who rely on them.

Healthy rivers are vital for our water supply, our food security and our ability to withstand a changing climate but current targets mean our rivers will remain degraded and unhealthy until at least 2063!



**'The state of our chalk streams is shocking, which is why this September we are joining with partners across the south of England in launching a new campaign to Save our Chalk Streams'**

Do you have stories of rivers near you that are struggling, polluted or have declined within your lifetime? Is there a precious river near you that you want to protect from damage? Are you already taking action to protect and restore your local rivers?

We need your photos and videos for our campaign launch. We want you to tell us your age in 2063, the date the government says our rivers will be healthy and why you think that is too late. If you are already taking action, we also want to hear what you are doing and share your story!

#### **Support our Save our Chalk Streams Campaign**

**The Government says our rivers won't be healthy until 2063 but we can't wait 40 years to clean them up.**

**We want to highlight this by asking people to submit their age they will be in 2063 and why they care about our rivers to highlight the absurdity of it taking 40 years to restore our precious chalk streams.**

# NATURE 2030

**Ahead of the General Election, over 70 environmental charities have joined forces to create a five-point plan for decision-makers. We want to see this reflected in all Party manifestos, to put a stop to nature's decline.**

**Will you join us? Sign our open letter to Party leaders. Ask them to commit to including these five actions into their manifestos:**

- 1. A pay rise for nature** Farmers need greater support to help nature and manage over 70% of UK land. We want to see double the current budget for nature-friendly farming in future.
- 2. Make polluters pay** Business – from companies working in finance to retail to energy – all contribute to nature's decline and should contribute to nature's recovery.
- 3. More space for nature** Just 3% of the land and 8% of English waters are properly protected for nature. We want rapid action to expand and improve protected areas, and ensure public land and National Parks contribute more to recovery.
- 4. A National Nature Service** We want lots of helping hands if nature is to recover quickly and at scale. A 'National Nature Service' would create thousands of green jobs as well as a healthier society.
- 5. A right to a healthy environment** Limited access to nature, and pollution in the air and water, affects everyone's health: An 'Environmental Rights' Bill would drive better decisions for nature and improve public health.

**Read the Nature 2030 proposals in full**

**Want to see a healthy environment, where polluters pay and there's more space for nature? Sign on today using our simple form.**

<https://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/131895/petition/1>