# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WORLDHAM PARISH COUNCIL held at 8.00 pm Wednesday 7th February 2018 **EAST WORLDHAM VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Andrew Aldridge (Chairman), Terry Blake, William Brock, Tessa Gaffney, Robin Twining (Clerk). 0 Members of the public.

### 110/17 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr's Bill Fife and Mary Trigwell-Jones.

## 111/17 Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes of the Worldham Parish Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were approved and duly signed by the chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Blake and seconded by Cllr Gaffney All in favour and duly RESOLVED.

#### 112/17 Declaration of Interest

None were declared.

113/17 The floor will be opened to the public to raise any matters of concern or interest No questions or issues were raised.

## 114/17 Review of actions from last meeting

- April 01-17 The Clerk to contact Selborne Parish Clerk to ascertain whether they have any traffic data for the B3006 which they could share with Worldham. Cllr Brock reported that he had not received a response from Gwen Earney.
- Nov 01-17, To ask the owners of Manor Cottage for permission to cut down the tree in the hedge by the village hall steps. Cllr Gaffney reported that she had received a letter from the owners giving the Parish Council permission to remove the tress causing damage to the village halls steps.
- January 01-18 Clerk to contact Sean Baldock, the EHDC Enforcement Officer to ask him to look into any potential breaches of planning conditions relating to Oaklands Farm and to ask whether the portakabins which appear to be permanent need planning permission. The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Sean Baldock and also to Andrew George, Enforcement Officer for the SDNPA. Mr George had emailed the Clerk the following response:

"The SDNPA have had some involvement in the past but have only visited the site once and that was on the 21st December 2017. That meeting was to speak to the site owners, review the site as a whole and assess the alleged breaches of planning on site. That site visit was attended by members of the AMA, East Hants and the SDNPA.

As a result of that initial site meeting, steps have been taken in the last week to arrange a time and date to meet with their planning agent and a representative from the AMA to discuss the way forward.

They have not been threatened with the service of an Enforcement notice, but they have been informed that if they do not engage in constructive and progressive talks with the SDNPA, then Enforcement Action will be considered on balance of expediency and the public interest test.

I am aware of the site history and currently the amount of shipping containers/porta cabins and other items that relate solely to the Jalsa Salana festival".

January 02-18 Clerk to contact the Parish Council's insurance brokers to see whether the repairs on the steps were covered by the Parish insurance policy. This was discussed under agenda item 118/17 a)

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- January 03-18 Clerk to contact Radian Housing about the cess pit on Wyck Lane emitting foul
  odours. The Clerk had reported this to Radian Housing who had arranged for the cess pit to be
  emptied. Councillors noted that this would not solve the problem
- January 04-18 Clerk to investigate on how to arrange the removal of temporary road signs.
   The Clerk had not yet actioned this.

#### 115/17 To receive a report from the District Councillor

No report was presented.

#### 116/17 Planning

a) Applications received, decisions and actions made since last meeting

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/08 SNDP Ref number: SDNP/17/03732/FUL

Site address: Land at Meadow Farm Green Street East Worldham

Proposal: Siting of a caravan as self-contained habitable accommodation for a full-time

worker for a period of three years

Councillors noted: Application in progress.

Cllr Blake reported that he had contacted the planning officer for an update on what the delay is in determining the application. The delay was due to the fact it was beyond the competence of planning officers to assess whether the need for continuous on site presence is justified in these particular circumstances. They had therefore employed a consultant to advise them. This has accounted for the delay in reaching a decision. The planning officer was not sure when the consultant would submit his report but he was hoping to receive by the end of this month ie the end of January.

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/12 EHDC Ref number: 21129/006

Site address: Delvene, 55 Windmill Lane, Alton, GU34 2SN

Proposal: Certificate of lawful development for proposed use - to extend the residential

dwelling on both sides of the existing house. No alterations to access

Councillors noted: In neighbouring parish - Certificate of lawfulness permitted

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/13 SDNP/17/05294/LIS

Site address: Heather Cottage Worldham Hill East Worldham Alton GU34 3AT

Proposal: Listed building consent - Single storey extension to side and single storey

garden room and bedroom extension following demolition of existing

outbuilding and greenhouse

Councillors noted: Listed building consent granted

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/14 EHDC Ref number: 32038/010

Site address: Worldham Park Golf Club, Cakers Lane, East Worldham, Alton, GU34 3BF

Proposal: Installation of ground mounted 'BERM' flood lighting

Councillors noted: Application in progress.

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/15 EHDC Ref number: 57507/002

Site address: The Farmhouse, Hartley Park Farm, Selborne Road, Selborne,, GU34 3HP Proposal: Alterations and Extensions to the Farmhouse barn to provide additional farm

office space and associated facilities.

**Councillors noted:** Application in progress.

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/16 EHDC Ref number: 57507/003

Site address: The Farmhouse, Hartley Park Farm, Selborne Road, Selborne, GU34 3HP Proposal: Listed Building Consent: Alterations and Extensions to the Farmhouse barn to

provide additional farm office space and associated facilities.

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Initialled by:

Councillors noted: Application in progress.

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/17 EHDC Ref number: 33920/008

Site address: Land south of, Wilsom Farmhouse, 60 Wilsom Road, Alton, GU34 2SP Proposal: Outline - two x 2.5 storey dwellings with double garage and associated

landscaping (with some matters reserved)

Councillors noted: Application in progress.

b) To consider and decide on the Parish Council's response to planning applications received since the last Parish Council meeting (*Details contained in Annex A*)

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/18 EHDC Ref number:

Site address: Unit 7 Waterbrook Estate, Waterbrook Road, Alton GU34 2UD

Proposal: Variation of condition 5 of planning permission 51471/003 (to extend the

operational hours to 24 hours, 7 days per week for HGV movements and

associated loading shovel for the importation of road planings)

Councillors noted: Application had been withdrawn

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/19 SDNP Ref number: SDNP/18/00349/TPO Site address: East Worldham House Worldham Hill East Worldham Alton GU34 3AT

Proposal: TPO - T4 Beech - fell

Councillors resolved: Worldham Parish Council has no objections.

c) To consider and decide on the Parish Council's response to planning applications received since the agenda was published *if any:* 

WPC ref number: wpc 2017/20 EHDC Ref number:

Site address: Unit 7 Waterbrook Estate, Waterbrook Road, Alton GU34 2UD

Proposal: Variation of conditions 5, 11 and 18 of planning permission 51471/003 to allow

for importation of road planings and the night-time importation and exportation

of waste

Councillors noted that this was a revised application and would allow a maximum of 12 lorry movements during the night, 72 a week. Apart from the lorry movements there would be no night work. No extra lighting would be required. There would be no additional noise except for the lorry movements. The issue is whether the noise can be heard from the site and will affect Worldham Parishioners. Councillors decided that there was not sufficient significance concern to warrant a comment.

Councillors resolved: Not to comment on the application.

# 117/17 Payments

a) To agree the payment of the January salary for the Clerk and to note the bank balances

Total balance of the TSB accounts as at 7/02/18: £14,439.80 Total balance of Worldham Community Benefit Fund as at 7/02/18: £6,994.20

Councillors agreed to make the payment of the January salary for the Clerk of £506.70, to reimburse Mike Walker £28.75 for the ¼ share of the costs of emptying the cess pit used by the village hall and to note the bank balances.

### 118/17 To note any issues that has been brought to the Clerk's or Councillors attention

 To consider the implications of putting in a insurance claim for the repair of the steps leading up to East Worldham village hall

Councillors discussed the implications of making any claim and resolved not to pursue the enquiry into making any insurance claim for the repair of the steps.

Proposed by Cllr Gaffney and seconded by Cllr Blake - AIF and duly resolved

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Councillors raised the issue whether the Parish Council has all the documentation regarding the exact boundaries and legal ownership of the village hall. It was agreed that this should be discussed at a future Parish Council meeting.

b) To consider the purchase of 3 new radiators for East Worldham village hall and to apply for a District Councillors grant.

The clerk reported that the electrician had confirmed that 3 heaters in the village hall were not fully functional (2 on the right hand side nearest the door and 1 on the left hand side nearest the door). The manufacturers no longer make the spare parts required to make the repairs. They have been replaced with Dimplex PLX200E at a cost of £185 plus VAT and £20 each for installation. Councillors agreed to purchase 3 new radiators and to apply for a District Councillors grant of £615 to cover the costs. Proposed by Cllr Blake and seconded by Cllr Brock.

The Clerk confirmed that he had written the grant application and will submit it early next week.

- c) To decide whether to renew the Lengthmans agreement with Grayshott Parish Council. Councillors discussed the Lengthmans scheme and it was proposed by Cllr Gaffney and seconded by Cllr Brock
  - 1. to continue in the Lengthsman scheme for 2018/19
  - 2. For Grayshott to remain as lead parish for our cluster in the Lengthsman scheme for 2018/19
  - 3. For the re-appointment of Jason Ebury as the lengthsman.

AIF and duly resolved

d) To discuss whether to support the aims of the Alton Sports Centre Action Group The Clerk had previously circulated an email from the Alton Sports Centre Action Group (ASCAG) asking for a statement from the Parish Council saying that you support the aims of ASCAG and would be happy for us to name your council in our positive campaign to show we have the support of local residents and a parish council of standing.

Councillors discussed the request and noted that the local community had not been properly consulted and had concerns about the consultation process. Councillors decided not to lend its name to Action Groups and not to reply to the request.

## Other issues raised that were not on the agenda

e) The Clerk had received an email from the WI. The WI would like to fund the provision of signs to allow spaces to be reserved in the layby outside the village hall. Their thoughts are along the lines of metal posts that could be cemented in close to the bottom of the grass bank, to accommodate wooden posts with signs attached to reserve spaces. The posts and signs could be stored in the small outside brick storage area at the front of the hall and would be readily available to meet the needs of other hall users. The Clerk had pointed out a concern is that the layby may be part of the Highway, and therefore it might not be possible to reserve spaces on what nominally is the public highway.

Councillors had concerns over the practicalities including concerns that the posts would not be lit and could be a potential hazard, and the WI or the public have no rights over the lay-by.

Cllr Blake reported that a Parishioner had contacted him about the burning of commercial waste at the Williams of Bordon site opposite Oaklands Farm. There have been several fires at the site recently, in breach of planning conditions, with the latest fire on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. The parishioner had emailed County Councillor Mark Kemp-Gee asking him to speak to SDNPA about this breach and asked for the Parish Council's support. Councillors agreed to support the Parishioner and asked the Clerk to investigate.

New Action Point February 01-18 Clerk to contact Sean Baldock, the EHDC Enforcement Officer to ask him to look into any potential breaches of planning conditions relating to the Williams of Bordon site opposite Oaklands Farm.

- g) Binsted Parish Council is holding a training event on Planning on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, free of charge, and had enquired whether any Worldham Councillors would like to attend. It was agreed that Cllr's Brock and Fife would attend.
- h) The Clerk had received a request from Ahmadiyya Muslim youth association who are looking to hire fields for their annual sports event and were asking if the Parish Council knew of anyone who would be interested in lending them a field for the event. Councillors were not aware of any local landowner who could lend them a field and asked the Clerk to respond accordingly.
- Councillors had a discussion about the availability of high speed broadband in the Parish, It was noted that Cabinet 26 (the cabinet for Worldham) has been upgraded for Superfast fibre however users are currently unable to order fibre. Cllr Aldridge reported that he had registered for the community fibre partnership with Hampshire County Council. Cllr Aldridge agreed that he would continue to undertake some more research into Broadband with a view to establishing a commitment from HCC and/or the service provider as to when improved broadband speeds would be available within Worldham Parish.
- Cllr Aldridge reported that he had arranged for the printing of a map of Worldham for the village notice board. Councillors thanked him for arranging this.

## 119/17 Dates of next Parish Council Meeting

Councillors agreed that Parish Council meetings would normally be held on the first Wednesday of each month.

The dates of the Parish Council meetings for 2018 were agreed as: 7<sup>th</sup> March, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 9<sup>th</sup> May, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 1<sup>st</sup> August, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 7<sup>th</sup> November and 5<sup>th</sup> December, all starting at 8.00 pm

The Annual Parish Assembly will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> April starting at 7.30 pm The Annual General Meeting will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 8.00 pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.15 pm

### **New Action Points**

	Action detail	Owner
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Actions points from previous Worldham Parish Council Meetings:

Action ID	Action detail	Owner	Status
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January 04- 18	Clerk to investigate on how to arrange the removal of temporary road signs.	Clerk	On-going