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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WEST MEON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.30PM IN WEST MEON VILLAGE HALL FOLLOWED BY A CLOSED MEETING TO DISCUSS STAFFING ISSUES.

THOSE PRESENT: Cllrs A Trenchard (Chair), J Nicholson (Vice Chair), C Waller, and N Wortley

BY INVITATION: City Cllrs H Lumby and L Ruffell (until 8.15pm)

APOLOGIES: Cllrs C Adams and G Silk, County Cllr R Huxstep

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs D Heppell (Clerk)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: None present

Wmpc 1736 **DECLARATIONS 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. None were declared.

Wmpc 1737 **MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chair opened the meeting to the public, but there were no issues arising.

Wmpc 1738 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 2nd July 2019 were **approved**.

Wmpc 1739 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUXSTEP**

Cllr Huxstep's report which had been previously emailed was received and noted.

Wmpc 1740 **CITY COUNCILLORS LUMBY/ RUFFELL**

The City Councillors' report which had been previously emailed was received and noted. Cllr Ruffell advised of the Boomtown music event and that traffic was well controlled, but litter and tents being discarded was a problem.

Cllr Lumby advised of WCC's new bin and glass collections and improved bin collection trucks.

The Parish Council raised issues with the damage to Church Lane footpath and the City Councillors agreed to check ownership details and report back to Councillors.

Cllr Ruffell reported on progress with the smart motorways and that Winchester planning committee

meetings have changed to evening meetings.

The Parish Council advised City Councillors of the pre-application submission from Metis Homes on land at Long Priors.

Wmpc 1741 **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk's report had previously been circulated and was noted by the Parish Council. The Clerk advised that the External Audit conclusions are awaiting and that the Financial Review is taking place on 5th September with the internal auditor.

It was **agreed** that Cllr Trenchard and another Councillor would attend the SDNP Hampshire Parishes Workshop at 18.30-21.30 on Tuesday 29th October at Meon Hall, Meonstoke.

The Village Hall Committee representative Mrs Morrish has been in contact regarding grants for the defibrillator from HCC and she will come back to WMPC next meeting with a grant application.

TO RECEIVE WORKING GROUPS

Wmpc 1742 **PLANNING**

SDNP/19/03491/LIS 1 The Cross West Meon GU32 1LG Proposal: To replace a 3 Frame Rotten Wooden Kitchen Window with a "like for like" hand-made wooden replacement - using single glazing as today. It was agreed that the Parish Council raise **NO OBJECTIONS**.

The Parish Council noted the SDNP appeal notification at Alton Road/Marlands Lane and **agreed** that no further comments would be raised and their previous objections would stand.

Cllr Waller advised that the Village Design Statement has been re-edited and the photos completed, and that it will be sent back to SDNP.

Wmpc 1743 **COMMUNITY AND TRANSPORTATION**

The Chairperson advised that she had a meeting with Cllr Huxstep, and that the yellow zig zag lines by the school had been repainted and she is awaiting information on further restrictions.

Cllr Wortley reported that following a site meeting with the suppliers, plans are awaited on the outdoor gym. It was **agreed** to ask Mac Edwards if he can remove the sand pit.

Cllr Wortley reported issues with the small children's play area, with the rope and tunnel, and Cllr Waller **agreed** that he would close off the play area until it was repaired

Cllr Waller reported on works required to the Group 3, Ash trees on the recreation area and it was **agreed** that he would get them inspected.

Cllr Waller reported on works carried out by the Lengthsman, and that he would contact Mr Geddy regarding tree branches.

Wmpc 1744 **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

Schedule of Payments

Date 3rd Sept 2019

Ch 300446 H Town Indoor Bowls

£250.00

Ch 300447 HALC Training	£100.80
Ch 300444 D Heppell Salary/Sept	
Ch 300455 Expenses Clerk	£35.92

Wmpc 1745 **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING**

Outdoor gym and repairs to small play area, defibrillator, work to trees on the recreation ground, yellow lines/West Meon school parking,

Wmpc 1746 **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

Tuesday 1st October, Monday 4th November, Tuesday 3rd December all in the Village Hall.

Meeting finished at 9.15 pm

Chair

Appendix A

Hampshire County Council Divisional Report for West Meon Parish Council

Operation Resilience. This is Hampshire County Council’s long-term strategy to make Hampshire’s roads more resilient to the effects of extreme weather and heavy traffic. The provisional planned maintenance programme for 2019-20 has been published; some of the work has already been carried out, namely carriageway surface treatment along Vinells Lane. I hope the work has been carried out to a satisfactory standard? It is important to note that these works are different from reactive works, such as pothole repairs or gully cleansing. For further details see <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/plannedmaintenance>

Outstanding Children’s Services. This summer, Hampshire County Council became one of only a handful of local authorities to be rated "outstanding" across the board for its children's services. Inspectors praised the high quality of social work, clear management oversight, support for staff, and leaders' vision and ambition for the service. They also highlighted the fact the authority has played a key role helping other local authorities at the same time as implementing its own 'ambitious transformation programme'.

Technology Supports Adult Social Care. The Department for Health and Social Care considers Hampshire County Council a leading light in the adoption of assistive technology, with the Council having previous successes in care innovation, notably the roll-out of voice assistive technology to help patients manage diabetes, depression and other chronic conditions. The County Council is the largest client for PA Consulting-led Argenti Care Technology Partnership. There are more than 10,000 using technology enabled care, and it generated £8m in savings in the first five years of its care transformation.

Cllr Roger Huxstep

Member for Meon Valley Division 3rd September 2019

Appendix B

West Meon Parish Council Winchester City Councillor Report September 2019

1. South Downs National Park

The South Downs Local Plan was formally adopted by the South Downs National Park Authority on Tuesday 2 July 2019 and so is now in force. The Local Plan is part of the statutory development plan for the whole National Park, along with the minerals and waste plans and 'made' (adopted) Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP). It sets out how the Park will manage development over the period 2014 to 2033. All Local Plan policies and Neighbourhood Plan policies should be viewed together and not in isolation. The South Downs Policies Map illustrates how the policies in the adopted Local Plan will apply. Listed below are some SDNPA officer contact details:

South Downs Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plans (Team Manager: Lucy Howard) Phone 01730 814810, or email planningpolicy@southdowns.gov.uk

Rural Exception Sites and community led housing (Link Officer: Hannah Chapman) Phone 01730 819270, or email hannah.chapman@southdowns.gov.uk

Cycle routes and buses (Access and Recreation Strategy Lead: Allison Thorpe) Phone 01730 819243, or email allison.thorpe@southdowns.gov.uk

Dark Night Skies (SDNP Lead Ranger: Dan Oakley) Phone 01730 819339, or email dan.oakley@southdowns.gov.uk

The SDNPA have also produced a list of further planning policy documents they will be producing to provide further detail on national park policies:

Technical Advice Notes (TANs) in place:

Ecosystem Services TAN

Householder Ecosystem Services TAN

Non householder Dark Night Skies TAN

Extensions and Replacement Dwellings TAN

Emerging: Affordable Housing SPD (currently drafted and was due sign-off from Planning Committee on Thursday 11th July),

Design SPD,

Parking SPD,

Sustainable Construction SPD,

Trees SPD,

Biodiversity Net Gain SPD,

Habitats Regulations Assessment TAN,

Viticulture TAN,

Forestry Guidance Note on permitted development rights,

Sustainable Tourism: Camping and Glamping TAN

2. Boomtown licensing

The Winchester City Council Licensing Sub Committee met on Tuesday 30 July 2019 at 10am. This hearing was to consider the application for a New Premises Licence – Boomtown Festival, Matterley Bowl, Alresford Road, Winchester. The sub-committee approved the application for 2020 onwards, subject to various conditions. In particular, the licence authorised the relevant licensable activities for a maximum of 75,999 persons, which shall include all persons present at the premises in whatever capacity including ticket holders, performers, guests and staff. At least 6,000 of these must be staff, artists and their bona fide guests. 1000 additional tickets to the event may be provided to local residents on Sunday. The licence effectively has approved an additional 11,000 people over the existing licence.

3. M3 upgrade to Smart Motorway between Winchester and Southampton Works will soon begin on the upgrade of the M3 between junction 9 (Winchester / A34 interchange) and junction 14 (M27 Southampton interchange) to an all-lane running smart motorway. The scheme was announced in 2015 by the government, and will link to the smart motorway scheme on the M27. As the design for the scheme progresses, a range of roadside surveys are taking place between junction 9-14 now and over the coming months. These surveys help Highways England gather information needed to convert this section of the M3 to a smart motorway. This includes data on drainage, environmental factors and the condition of the road surface amongst other things. This phase of survey work was due to be finished by the end of summer 2019. The next phase is planned to advanced works undertaken early next year. This will include site vegetation clearance and repairs to ensure the hard shoulder is fit for purpose and suitable for traffic when the main works start. The key milestones are set out below:

- Summer 2019 - Complete design surveys
- Autumn 2019 - Hold public information events about driving on smart motorways and provide scheme update
- Winter/spring 2020 - Undertake site clearance and preparation works for construction
- 2020-22 - Construction of new smart motorway

The M3 motorway is a key part of the strategic road network and provides a vital economic link from the Midlands (via the A34) and London to the major ports of Southampton and Portsmouth on the south coast (via the M27). This route is heavily used by cars and freight, and faces congestion during peak travel hours caused by the volume of traffic using the network. In 2036, this section of the M3 (junction 9 to 14) is forecast to carry an average of between 63,000 and 86,000 vehicles per day, which is an increase of 20,000 vehicles compared 2015. Adding this additional infrastructure will enable forecast levels of traffic to flow freely on this section of the M3. Through the use of CCTV, sensors and electronic signage, Highways England can manage the roads more effectively. By introducing this technology as well as additional safety features, the hard shoulder can be converted safely into a permanent running lane providing additional capacity in both directions. This adds additional capacity, helps to reduce congestion and improves journey times for road users. Details of the scheme are as follows:

- Between junction 9 (Winchester) to 13 (Eastleigh), the M3 will operate four-lanes in each direction. This is known as 'all-lane running' and involves the existing hard shoulder being converted into an additional lane for vehicles.
- Road users driving northbound and joining the M3 at junction 14 where the roads converge from the M27 eastbound, westbound and from Southampton will see the M3 operate four lanes and a hard shoulder up to junction 13.
- For road users driving southbound from junction 13 (Eastleigh) towards junction 14 (Southampton), the road will transition from four lanes with no hard shoulder and then split into two separate roads to link to the M27 East and West.
- The section of the M3 linking to the M27 eastbound will feature two lanes and a hard shoulder. The section of the M3 linking to the M27 westbound will comprise three lanes with no hard shoulder. The road layout into Southampton will remain as it is now.
- The section from after junction 13 (Eastleigh) to junction 14 (Southampton) is a variation of smart motorway known as a 'controlled motorway'.
- Road users will see enhanced signage, information and the deployment of variable speed limits from overhead gantries from junction 9 to junction 14. Note that there is a separate consultation ongoing on improving the link between the A34 and the M3 to improve connectivity and reduce queuing.

4. Small grant applications Winchester City Council is introducing a new scheme for grants of up to £500. Its small grants scheme aims to make funding easily available to local voluntary and community groups. Grants are quick and easy to apply for, and the Council will offer you advice whenever you need it. Grants of up to £500 are available for one-off pieces of expenditure for projects, equipment and other items that will help the relevant organisation to provide better services, reach more people or try something different. If an application is eligible and suitable for funding then applicants are invited to attend specially organised sessions for a brief discussion

about their application. Applicants will be advised on the day if their organisation will receive the requested funding. The session for the Upper Meon Valley ward, of which West Meon Parish forms part, will occur on Wednesday 18th September from 1.30 to 3.30 at Swanmore Village Hall. Applications should be made online via WCC's Flexi-grant management system. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 3rd September at noon.

Laurence Ruffell Hugh Lumby