

## CORHAMPTON & MEONSTOKE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council 7.30pm on Wednesday 9 November 2016 at the Meon Hall

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Bruce Horn, Rowena Hyder, Jane McCormick, Patrick Rowe, John Shaw, Sue Walker  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Rosie Hoile – Clerk  
District Councillor Laurence Ruffell, County Cllr Roger Huxstep( arr 8.25pm)  
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16.57 **Apologies received for absence.** Jerry Pett, Za Rowe, District Cllr Amber Thacker,

16.58 **Declarations of interest.** No declarations of interest had been received in advance of the meeting. Cllr Walker has a personal interest to declare in tennis club matters.

16.59 **Minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on 14 September 2016.** Cllr Hyder said 2 minor amendments were required. The following corrections were written in by hand.

Minute ref: 16.43.2 **'general public'** added

Minute ref: 16.52 **'data pending'** deleted

The minutes were approved as corrected, and signed by the Chairman.

16.60 **The meeting was adjourned** to hear public questions and comments on consultations and agenda items.

16.60.1

Kate Cook spoke in connection with the Tennis Club. The Club would meet the following week to consider a quotation received from the Lawn Tennis Association of £150 to insure the court. The Club queried the PC's entitlement to recover the cost of drawing up the lease from the Open Space Fund allocation of £24K for the Tennis Court; the parish cost to draw up the lease should be reclaimed from unallocated funds of £730, or allow the Tennis Club to apply for the fund. The Clerk's view was that a legitimate cost attributable to the project can be claimed irrespective of whether the Council or the Tennis Club applies for the refund. WCC had agreed that the Parish Council should be reimbursed for the legal cost to draw up the lease from the allocated sum of £24K. The Tennis Club is to hold an Open Day to launch the facility on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

16.60.2

James Morrice reported that the football pitch had been satisfactorily marked out by the head groundsman from Alton Town Council. The goal posts need to be installed.

16.60.3

**District Councillor's report:**

Walton Farm. Alterations to the bio mass boiler and raising the height of the weather station had improved matters until recent high winds caused a down-draught of smoke once again.

Parking near the shop. Cllr Ruffell had spoken to Rob Humby (HCC Executive Member for Environment and Transport). The need to re-instate the lay-by had been acknowledged and put on HCC Highways 2016/17 funded programme of work.

Meeting at the Police & Crime Commissioner's Office. Cllr Ruffell has been invited by Chief Inspector Phillip Raymond to the meeting held by Michael Lane P & CC on 9 December. Invitees included George Hollingbery MP. Cllr Walker will attend.

WCC updates. The new Chief Executive will start on 1 January 2017 - WCC to buy the Garrison Ground on which to put the new Sports Centre.

Household waste recycling centres. Centres will have to close to save costs, due to a legal challenge from the Government to authorities who charging building contractors for small loads.

**Meeting resumes:**

- 16.60.4 **County Councillor's report:** (arrived 8.25pm, minute inserted out of order)  
Recycling centres: Cllr Huxstep said planned changes have been put on hold until 1 October 2017 pending a legal challenge ruling. The challenge is disputed by HCC.  
Devolution: The bid by the combined authorities of Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight inviting Hampshire County Council to join them will not conclude until 14<sup>th</sup> December. This is perceived as a 'wake-up' call for counties, boroughs and districts to work together more closely.  
Meeting at the Police & Crime Commissioner's Office Chris Waller, Chairman of West Meon will not be able to attend the meeting.  
 Cllr Walker said she will attend the meeting.

**16.61 Chairman's Report:**

Digital Future meeting 8<sup>th</sup> November (meeting report appended). Cllr Rowe paid tribute to Peter O'Sullivan for bringing representatives from BDUK and BT to explain the technical delays and obstacles to implementing the programme by the published dates; and a cable and wireless telecoms provider who offers alternative solutions in other parts of the country. The meeting was attended by Cllrs Hyder, Pett, Rowe, Shaw and the Clerk. Residents, business and community organisation representatives from Droxford, Exton and Warnford also attended. Glenn Peacey (BDUK for HCC) assured attendees that 95% properties in the Meon Valley would receive Superfast Broadband by September 2018.

**16.62 Finance, Grants & Governance.**

16.62.1 **RESOLVED** - To approve payment of accounts listed in Appendix A.

16.62.2 **NOTED** - Barclays Bank current account and Scottish Widows deposit account statements between 1 April - 30 September 2016 have been signed by Cllr Hyder.

16.62.3 **RESOLVED** – To adopt Corhampton & Meonstoke Standing Orders 2016 based on NALC/HALC Model Standing Orders 2014 with amendments.

16.62.4 **Budget 2017/18**

The Council received recommendations from the Finance Working Group. Cllr Walker had sent rough estimates for play area maintenance to the Clerk. The final budget will be proposed for approval at the January meeting.

**ACTION** – Clerk and Finance Working Group to draw up final budget.

16.62.5 **RESOLVED** – to approve the Asset Register updated to 1 November 2016

16.62.6 **Meon Valley – Digital Futures meeting Tues 8 November:**

**RESOLVED** -

a) To act as grant recipient for a HCC grant, conditional on payment into a community organisation bank account to recover the cost of post-filming production and distribution incurred by the organiser.

b) To pay the invoice for post filming and distribution submitted to Corhampton & Meonstoke Parish Council for the gross amount not exceeding the value of the grant.

16.62.7 **Medium to long term projects requiring capital expenditure:**

No update to report; awaiting outcome of discussion between Cllr Pett and SDNP regarding a footpath to provide safe access between the new developments off Warnford Road and the shop. Reinstatement of a layby, formerly on the A32 opposite the shop, is being considered by Hampshire Highways.

**16.63 Planning.**

16.63.1 **New Applications**

16.63.1.1 **Ref:** SDNP/16/04715/TCA **Location:** The Valley Pre-School Meonstoke Church Of England (Controlled) School Chapel Road Meonstoke SO32 3NJ

**Proposal:** T1 Ash tree, located on the corner of the park and resting on neighbours fence panel, my client would like permission to fell. T1 dog legs at approx 2m above ground level and is leaning on adjacent fence, phototropic growth has created a large lever arm over the road frequented by school children. The canopy also grows up into multiple power cables.

**For information only – parish council application**

16.63.1.2 **Ref:** SDNP/16/04901/HOUS **Location:** Meedhupparu Pound Lane Meonstoke SO32 3NP

**Proposal:** Extension which includes rear and side remodelling of garage and lean to portions. The creation of a loft room with rear balcony and flat roof dormer, installation of a sunken swimming pool in rear garden. Remodelling of front driveway to include car port and turning space and creation of visibility splay to Pound Lane. **NO COMMENT**

16.63.1.3 **Ref:** SDNP/16/04586/DCOND **Location:** Corhampton House Corhampton Lane Corhampton SO32 3NB **Proposal:** Discharge of Condition 3 in relation to SDNP/16/01536/HOUS

**For information – discharge of conditions**

16.63.1.4 **Ref:** SDNP/16/05324/PRE **Location:** Shellets Farm Lone Barn Lane Corhampton SO32 3LN

**Proposal:** Subdivide residential curtilage into 2 residential plots. Change of use of barn to residential dwelling. Single storey extension to barn or demolish barn and construct new dwelling **NOTED**

16.63.2 **Planning Decisions Appendix B - NOTED**

16.63.3 **Planning enforcement cases extant Appendix B – no change, NOTED**

16.63.4 Land to the rear of Vernon House (SDNP/16/02757/FUL and /02767/FUL) Section 106  
The case officer advised there will be a SDNP Open Space Fund (OSF) allocation of £12,792 split between the 2 applications. **NOTED**

16.63.5 **Parish Consultation Letter for comment by 29/11/16**

**Ref:** SDNP/16/05434/HOUS **Location:** Stocks Farm, Stocks Lane, Meonstoke SO32 3NQ

**Proposal:** Conversion, lifting of roof and refurbishment of Barn to form residential accommodation in connection with main dwelling and associated new sewerage treatment plant.

**ACTION – Planning Committee.** Due to insufficient notice prior to the meeting they will make recommendation for parish consultee comment on line by the due date.

**16.64 Open Spaces, Recreation & Playgrounds.**

16.64.1 The OSF balance dated 30 September 2016 is £10299. **NOTED**

**ACTION - The Clerk** will look into the discrepancy between the amount advised by the SDNP planning officer (£12792) and that stated on the OSF statement.

16.64.1 **Monthly inspection of play equipment.**

Cllr Walker reported the Gym Rider was still out of action. The skate park screws do not fit. Budget proposals for annual maintenance of play equipment had been emailed to the Clerk.

16.64.2 **Tennis court insurance.** The Clerk had been requested by the Tennis Club to look into the cost to insure for theft and damage through the parish insurance provider. A quote was received for £116.00 (incl ipt) for theft and damage to 30 May 2017, based on £36K to replace the court. This will increase to £209 for next year. The Tennis Club had been advised. **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

16.64.3 **Grounds Maintenance.**

James Morrice reported ISS had carried out a light trim to the hedge. He noted the work is of good quality and they are reliable. There is to be one further grass cut this year.

16.64.4 **Lengthsmen:**

The new Lead Lengthsman was trained by Barry who had left ISS and it is hoped they will continue to produce a good standard of work. The next visit is early December to complete the list carried over. including sycamore leaves on pavements around the Corhampton roundabout need clearing. 25% of the time is to be allocated to village footpaths in lieu of a reduced HCC vegetation cutting budget. The Clerk said the cheque promised by ISS to pay for a replacement Rider had not been received. **ACTION - Clerk** to chase.

**16.65 Allotments.** Cllr Hyder reported the water standpipe had been installed. Weed killer is required again. The chalk thrown up during the previous application needs to be removed and the land needs to be levelled prior to erecting scaffolding planks to contain the raised beds. The cost of scaffolding planks, mini-digger hire and conditioned soil will amount to approximately £3000. An application to WCC OSF will be made to defray some of the costs. Cllr McCormick recommended a supplier who could deliver good quality soil at a reasonable cost.

**ACTION – Cllr J McCormick** to obtain conditioned soil from recommended supplier.

**ACTION - Cllr Hyder** to telephone WCC

**16.66 Roads, Highways & Transport:**

Cllr Shaw reported the drains had been cleared before the rains came.

Leaf clearance – see Lengthsmen 16.64.4

Road works to install reflective posts along the A32 road verge opposite the Kennels was due to be carried out.

**16.67 Footpaths:**

Cllr Hyder said footpath maintenance on the Meon Valley Trail had been cut back. A walker had reported a fallen tree on the section between Soberton and West Meon, but otherwise had no complaints about the surface.

- 16.68 Neighbourhood Watch:** Nothing to report. This heading will be removed from the standard agenda
- 16.69 Website:**  
A Facebook link had been added to the Corhampton & Meonstoke Parish Council website.
- 16.70 Consultations and Training.**
- 16.70.1 Consultation: SDNP Parish Council Two Way communications survey (until 15 Dec 16). **ACTION - JP**
- 16.70.2 Consultation: 2017/18 Local Government Finance Settlement. **NO ACTION**
- 16.70.3 Consultation: Local validation list SDNP review. **NOTED by JP**
- 16.70.4 Consultation: Proposed modifications to Winchester LPP2. **NOTED**
- 16.71 Correspondence**  
BT 'Exploring Solutions' invitation to match fund grant offer to Meonstoke School to install Superfast broadband.  
Cllr Pett has responded to Stacey King – BT, requesting clarification of eligibility to be considered.
- 16.72 Items for the next agenda.** Budget **ACTION – Clerk/Finance Working Group**
- 16.73 Dates of next meeting.** Wednesday 11 January 2017

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed:

Date:



**APPENDIX B – PLANNING REPORT 9 NOVEMBER.** (*Planning Committee comments & recommendations in italics*)

**7.1 Applications in progress**

Ref: SDNP/16/04715/TCA: The Valley Pre-School Meonstoke Church Of England C of E Meonstoke SO32 3NJ  
*For information only*

Ref: SDNP/16/04901/HOUS: Meedhupparu Pound Lane Meonstoke SO32 3NP  
*Planning Committee consensus is to recommend no comment.*

Ref: SDNP/16/04586/DCOND Corhampton House Corhampton Lane Corhampton SO32 3NB  
*Discharge of conditions - for information only*

Ref: SDNP/16/05324/PRE Shellets Farm Lone Barn Lane Corhampton SO32 3LN  
*Councillors may recall an application earlier in the year for a Certificate of Lawful Use for a barn used as 'overflow accommodation', which was granted. As anticipated at that time, there is now a pre-application request for advice on the acceptability of demolishing the barn and erecting two 'small' dwellings, with a couple of alternative options. This is simply to be noted, prior to any formal application being made.*

**Applications still pending**

Ref: SDNP/16/0318/HOUS Southbourne House, Chapel Road, Meonstoke

**7.2 Planning decisions:**

Ref: SDNP/16/02784 Land at Shavard Lane, Meonstoke. Proposed discharge of conditions 3,5,6,7,8,10  
Application approved except Condition 8 - **SPLIT DECISION.**

**7.3 Planning Appeals - NONE**

**7.4 Planning enforcement cases - extant:**

**Ref:** SDNP/15/00229/BRECON

**Location:** 6 the Butts Warnford Road Corhampton Hampshire SO32 3ND

**Ref:** SDNP/16/00196/GENER

**Location:** Walton Farm Brockbridge Droxford SO32 3QT  
Alleged barn constructed in grounds.