

HURSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Hursley Parish Council held in the Parish Hall on
Monday 13th March 2017, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mrs E Bell in the Chair
Mrs A Apps
Cllr Mrs J Warwick
Mr M Arthur
Dr J O'Sullivan
Mr G Rees
Mr M. Waldron

In attendance: Mr J. L. Brooks, Clerk to the Council.

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APOLOGIES

The Viscount Lifford, Mr J Winchester (both on business trips abroad. The Council approved their reasons for absence) – Cllr Mr B Laming

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MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2017, which had been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chair.

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 9th JANUARY 2017

- a. Winchester Half Marathon 2017 – Chris Rees of Rees Leisure has sent a draft letter to residents to Mrs Bell, the Clerk, and Winchester City Council. The Clerk had responded pointing out errors in road names etc and it was hoped a revised draft would be submitted in due course. Mrs Bell noted that, unusually, the matter was being submitted to the Winchester City Council Advisory Committee for a second time.
- b. Incursion from 37 Meredun Close – The Clerk reported that he had received the signed agreement from Mr and Mrs Hale.
- c. Pavement parking – A draft letter to inconsiderate parkers had yet to be drafted. The Clerk would do this shortly and, once approved by councillors, would send it to the Winchester City Council Neighbourhood Warden for comments.

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QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS

Mrs Brooks asked if a name had been chosen for the path between church lane and Meredun Close. Church Path/Keble Path/Cooper Path were all suggested. Mr Waldron suggested he look at an old map in his possession.

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POLICE REPORT

No crimes in Hursley had been recorded on the website for December 2016, the most recent available. The method of Police reporting is still unsatisfactory.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mrs Bell, Mrs Warwick and Mr Laming had circulated a report as follows;

**1. Pitt Vale Appeal Public Planning meeting: Wednesday 15th March
7.30pm Badger Farm Community Centre**

Hursley Parish Council is holding a meeting jointly with Oliver's Battery and Badger Farm PCs to discuss the planning appeal for 350 houses on land at Vale Farm, Pitt. It is hoped that officers from HCC and WCC plus a representative of CPRE will attend. All welcome.

Mr Killeen asked if the application for c90 houses in Otterbourne would affect the issue. Mrs Bell explained the Otterbourne appeal was about 1 month ahead of Pitt Vale in the planning process and that although the same policies were in issue the one would not constitute a precedent for the other. There was also discussion about the Eastleigh Borough Council Local Plan Proposals whereby some 6,000 new houses were proposed to the east of the district.

2. Central Winchester Regeneration Project:

Friday 24 March 1.45pm - 5.00pm

Saturday 25 March 2017 10.45am – 4.00pm, Guildhall, Winchester

Residents are invited to the Central Winchester Regeneration Community Planning Weekend to help create a vision for the future of this prominent part of the City.

3. Council scoops Gold Standard award for homelessness services

Winchester City Council has become the first council in Hampshire and only the fifth in England to receive the Government's prestigious 'Gold standard' award in recognition of its work in preventing and tackling all forms of homelessness.

4. Winchester Criterium and Cyclefest returns to Winchester for 2017

Date for you Diaries - Winchester Criterium and CycleFest is back bigger and better for 2017 and will take place on Sunday 11 June. The Criterium race is widely regarded as the best of its kind in the region. Entries are now open and with a range of family activities and opportunities to try bikes, the city will be a hive of activity www.winchestercriterium.org

5. Opportunity for a Winchester car club

A car club is planned to help employees and residents in the city centre make better transport choices, and also reduce air pollution. Winchester City Council is inviting car club operators to bid to start a scheme in Winchester and make use of ultra-low emission vehicles.

Cllrs Bell, Laming and Warwick

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report had been received. Mrs Warwick mentioned that she and Mr Wells were continuing to discuss the possibility of the Parish Council acquiring a second speed limit reminder sign but it was first necessary to clarify the Hampshire County Council officers' views as to acceptable periods of display. It was suggested that any new sign should be capable of recording data.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Mr D Killeen – Seeking information about the historic tap outside 95a Hursley. Mr Waldron confirmed that it was to be refurbished and replaced on a concrete pad foundation which had already been provided.

Mr Waldron also informed the Council that there had been several such taps in the village in the past.

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PLANNING

- a) The schedule of applications and decisions ([attached](#)) was noted. Mrs Bell explained that the last item on the schedule was not a planning application but referred to a determination that a potential application for an electric storage battery facility to be housed in a number of containers on Down Farm near to Millers Lane and the electricity sub-station on Port lane would not require an Environmental Impact Analysis.
- b) Eastleigh Borough Council Local Plan Proposals. This had already been discussed during the District Councillors’ report. There is likely to be an impact on traffic through Otterbourne, and possible knock on through Hursley.
- c) City of Winchester Regeneration Consultation. Mrs Bell drew attention to the “Central Winchester Regeneration Community Planning Weekend” to be held on 24th & 25th March.
- d) Applications to be considered.

Ref. No.	Proposal/Address
17/00127/HOU and 17/00128/LIS	Installation of solar PV array. Ground mounted single row of in a landscape orientation Old Farm Barn Silkstead House Silkstead SO21 2LG
17/00344/HOU	Erection of replacement Orangery Extension 29 Meredun Close

The council decided to make no comment on either of these applications.

The council also noted the recent receipt of applications to erect a single storey extension at Gunsite Cottage, Enmill Lane, and for a greenhouse and shed at land adjacent to Cherry Tree Cottage. These appeared to be uncontroversial.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement to the end of December 2016 (which could not be approved at the January meeting because the bank statements had not then been received), and that to the end of February 2017 were approved, and authority was given for the payments listed. ([see copy attached](#))

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RECREATION GROUND & ENVIRONMENT

- a) Changes to Lengthsman Contract for 2017/2018.

The existing lengthsman had asked for a reduction in hours and the contract was therefore being retendered by the lead councils. There was to be a meeting on 30th March to discuss the way forward. Mrs Bell would attend.

- b) War Memorial – Lord Lifford had sought the council’s views concerning the placing of a stone in memory of his uncle, Dennis Hewitt VC, in the paving round the war memorial. This would be a duplicate of a stone to be placed in Westminster by the MOD who were placing similar stones at the birthplace of all WW1 VC awardees. Whilst Dennis Hewitt had been born in Westminster his home was in Hursley and Lord Lifford thought it appropriate that he should be remembered in the village and that he would bear the cost. The council were very much in favour of the proposition.
- c) Update re. Adoption of Phone Box. There was no progress to report from WCC or BT as to the actual adoption, but it was noted that it had been listed Grade II. It was not thought that this would cause any great problems or additional cost should the adoption go ahead.
- d) Consideration of quotes. These had been circulated to councillors and it was decided to accept quotes as follows:-
- i) Refurbish a 5 wooden Notice Boards – Tony Smith Carpenter/Joiner £1,360 plus £435 for signwriting.
 - ii) Recreation ground repairs – C&S Holmes Building Services £200.95
 - iii) Cleaning and refurbishment of railings at south end of Main Road. Winchester City Council contractors approx. £1,625
 - iv) Recreation ground fence repairs. Creative Fencing £290
 - v) Mowing Recreation ground. Grass and Grounds Ltd £73 per fortnight.

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ALLOTMENTS AND CEMETERY

The council noted the fee scale for 2017 ([attached](#)). This is based on the Archbishop’s Council scales. There was discussions as to whether to charge extra for non-parishioners burials, more of which might requested in view of limited space and high charges within Winchester itself (*Note: The cheapest graves cost £1,000 for residents inside the Old Town area, rising to £3,000 for residents of the wider district*) It was decided to keep the matter under review.

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TRAFFIC & HIGHWAY MATTERS.

See matters discussed under Matters Arising and County Councillor’s Report above.

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PROPOSED PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARY CHANGES - UPDATE

Nothing of substance to report – a further consultation was awaited.

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HAMPSHIRE DEVOLUTION

Matters are at an impasse following the Isle of Wight's refusal to join a south coast partnership.

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REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

- a) Parish Hall – Mrs Apps reported that it was hoped that redecoration and minor toilet refurbishment could take place over Easter.
- b) Parish Plan.
 - a. Mr Arthur reported that the Launch Committee were well advanced in planning for the launch event on afternoon of Saturday 25th March 2017.
 - b. He asked Parish Councillors to make every effort to attend
 - c. He inquired as to the availability of maps etc. The Clerk offered anything in his possession and suggested checking in the hall storage shed.
 - d. Approximately £100 was to be spent on materials for the meeting which was well within the budget.
 - e. The Committee were particularly looking for people with appropriate skills to assist.
- c) Emergency/Flood Plan – Mr Arthur reported that the plan was complete except for a maintenance schedule which he hoped to complete very shortly.
- d) Parish Communication – Mr Arthur reported that the policy document needed to be revisited in light of recent developments.

It was agreed that Parish Council Representatives Reports should in future be taken earlier in the agenda.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was agreed that the meeting should take place on 22nd May 2017 at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. The main topic would be the Parish Plan and refreshments would be provided from the budgeted Chair's Allowance.

Mr Waldron made a special plea that reports should be kept as short as possible.

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NEXT MEETING

8th May 2017 – This will be the Statutory Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 pm