

## HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES

of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 January 2017 in the Village Hall

Present: John Anderson (Chairman), Mike Parry, Paul Pattinson, Stewart Payne and Philip Underwood; Cllrs. Anna James and Nicholas Holder; and Jane Woolley (clerk)

Apologies: Mary Grove and Karen Jones

#### 1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2016 were agreed and signed.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chairman: Director, Hambledon Village Shop; Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses; Trustee, Hambledon Football Club

Mike Parry: Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses

Paul Pattinson: Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses

Stewart Payne: Trustee, Hambledon Nursery School

#### 3. FINANCE

##### Financial statement

Noted that the current account was in credit.

##### Cheques for signature

Tim Coleman – November/December maintenance £ 360.00

Noted that staged payments of £180 per month from April – December inclusive assumed a total of 80 hours worked; that to date the total was 75.5 hours; that the ditch opposite Goodbrook House and leaves from the Village Hall roof (billed separately) had yet to be cleared; and that, depending on how long the former took, a separate payment might not be needed for the latter.

##### Annual grants

- Cricket Club	£ 350.00
- Football Club	£ 350.00
- PCC	£ 400.00
- Hambledon Village Trust (S.137)	£ 400.00
- Hambledon Village Shop (S.137)	£ 400.00
- Hambledon Village Hall	£ 400.00

##### Budget, 2017-18

On consideration of a further draft (tabled) noted and accepted the increased price for grass cutting outside Hambledon Hurst and noted that Cricket Green cutting had yet to be reviewed. **Agreed** to include £2,000 for the latter, together with £500 towards setting up costs for an informal play area in the event of this coming about. Noted that there was still no statutory requirement to limit the precept increase to 2 per cent and that expenditure, as amended at the meeting, would increase last year's precept figure by £472; and, having regard to all of the foregoing, **approved** the budget for 2017-18.

##### Annual risk assessment

Noted that this would be carried out by Paul Pattinson in time for the next meeting.

#### 4. PLANNING

##### Planning applications

- WA16/2440: Nightingales, Vann Lane: extensions and alterations to dwelling; erection of extensions to detached garage. Noted that the proposed extensions to the overhangs to both the garage and the house were in keeping and that they would result in increased areas which were within Waverley's guidelines; and **agreed** to support the application.

- WA16/2380: Hambledon Village Shop – construction of disabled toilet. **Confirmed** the earlier decision to support the application.

##### Decisions on recent applications

- WA16/2339: Alterations to detached garage to provide ancillary residential accommodation.

Decision pending

- WA16/2310: St Peter's Church – change of use from agricultural land for use as car park. Decision pending. Also noted Cllr. Holder's comment that Waverley was mindful to refuse the application on account of its situation in a conservation area/AONB and the resultant high visibility of parked cars from Hydon's Ball unless appropriate screening were provided; and **agreed** to support the suggestion that the area be surrounded by a mature beech or other environmentally compatible hedge.

- WA16/2225: Little Burgate Farm, Markwick Lane – Certificate of Lawfulness for mobile home for staff accommodation. Decision pending.

##### Orchard Farm

Noted Cllr. Holder's comment that flooding/drainage remained an issue and that future dates of meetings of Waverley's Central Area planning committee, which would consider the application, were 8 February, 8 March and 5 April.

##### Dunsfold Park

Noted that the application for a 1,800 house development had been approved by Waverley by 10 votes to 8 on 14 December and expressed disappointment that so few Councillors had been present to consider/determine a matter of such importance to the entire borough. Noted Cllr. Holder's view that no development would take place until the necessary supporting infrastructure had been put in place; also noted that a development of 1,800 houses, which might rise to 3,600 in the longer term, would help Waverley to realise the housing numbers predicated in the new local plan; and, in the interests of the entire village and despite one Councillor's on-going reservations, **reconfirmed** the decision taken at the previous meeting to budget for costs that might be incurred by the Joint Parishes if further challenges to the present application were felt to be necessary.

##### Farm Cottage

Noted that the Department of Culture, Media and Sport had confirmed Historic England's decision not to add Farm Cottage to the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest.

#### 5. PARISH ASSEMBLY, 2017

**Agreed** to invite Jeremy Hunt, in his capacity as Hambledon's MP, as the guest speaker, speaking to his own agenda; and that the second choice should be a National Trust speaker who could cover both Oakhurst Cottage and the Trust's policies regarding the properties in the village which it owned and leased. Also noted that the Chairman's report would need to include a up-date on decisions taken since the last Assembly in relation to an up-dated Parish Plan.

#### 6. VILLAGE MATTERS

##### Highways

Noted that, despite the recent announcements in the Surrey Advertiser about SCC's priorities for road maintenance, only a fraction would actually receive any attention; that, as part of SCC's localism-financed initiative, Colin Rapley had started on ditch clearance throughout the village (other than outside 2 Hydestile Cottages, for which the owner preferred to take responsibility); that an up-date on gully clearing would be sought via the SCC Highways web site, together with the proposed clearance of the A283 footpath; that Church Lane had been swept shortly before Christmas; that Mary Grove had reported the missing 40mph reminder sign along the Hambledon Road via the SCC Highways

web site; and that she had spoken to PCSO Karen Phillips about car parking/obstructed site lines along Lane End.

#### Bus review

Noted Stewart Payne and the Clerk would be attending a meeting on 11 January for further discussion about a possible sustainable and long-term bus solution for the Busbridge and Hambledon area.

#### Playground

**Agreed** to defer further discussion until the next meeting, by which time it was hoped that Mary Grove would have been able to arrange a meeting of interested parties.

#### Dog waste

Noted that Mary Grove had organised a new notice at the Church asking walkers to take their dog waste home with them.

#### Hambledon Football Club advertising hoardings

Noted that the permissibility or otherwise of these had been queried but **agreed**, as they were either on the Club's land or temporary (on match days) that no action was needed.

### 7. VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

#### Almshouses

Noted that outstanding landscaping work remained to be carried out.

#### Village School

Noted that more pupils were being sought and that Mary Grove and the Clerk would be pursuing with SCC its inability to offer Hambledon children places in schools in adjacent villages.

#### Village Hall

Noted the success of the background heating and the store room moisture extractor and that the possibility of booking the Hall via the village web site would be pursued at the February committee meeting.

#### Village Shop

Noted that the record-breaking takings during December and the success of the carol singing on Christmas Eve which had attracted an attendance of well over 100.

### 8. OUTSIDE MEETINGS

Nothing to report.

### 9. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14 February 2017**