

HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 3 October at 20.00
in the Village Hall

AGENDA

QUESTION TIME

Members of the public who wish to raise any matters with the Parish Council are invited to attend between 20.00 and 20.15 when there will be an opportunity for them briefly to address the meeting.

FORMAL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on 5 September 2017 – previously circulated.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
3. FINANCE
Financial statement
Cheques for signature

Tim Coleman – September maintenance	£ 180.00
Nigel Jeffries – cricket green cutting, September	
Surrey Hills (Peter Woolley) – Hambledon Hurst grass cutting	£ 252.00
Hambledon Almshouses	£1,925.00
4. PLANNING
Planning applications
 - WA17/1582/3: Potters Barn, Potters Hill (South West Surrey Golf Club) – change of use from storage barn to dwelling/amenity space; demolitions/extensions
 - WA17/1644: 9 The Hydons – extension to garage
 - WA17/1722: Hambledon House workshops – increase in internal headroom to proposed replacement dwellings
 - WA17/1731: Peony Cottage Woodlands Road – erection of single storey extension
 - any other applications received prior to the meetingReport to follow.
Decisions on recent applications
 - WA17/1458: The Merry Harriers – internal alterations. Listed building consent granted
 - WA17/1408: Hazels, Vann Lane – demolition/replacement of dwelling and outbuilding. Full permission
 - WA17/1230: Bonners, Vann Lane - conversion of barn to provide ancillary residential accommodation. Full permission
 - WA17/0829: The Old Coal Yard , Hambledon Road - erection of two Class B1 buildings. Decision pending.Orchard Farm
Oral report.
Waverley local plan/ Dunsfold Park
Note attached.

5. VILLAGE MATTERS
Parking at the Village Shop
Note attached.
Highways
Roadside maintenance; gully clearing – oral report.
Footpath modification order
Note attached.
Other village matters
Oral reports as required.
6. VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS
Almshouses Nursery School Village Hall Village Shop
7. OUTSIDE MEETINGS
- SCC Quiet Lanes and Decluttering Working Group, 20 September
Oral report (Stewart Payne)
- Waverley/Town and Parish Councils, 25 September
Oral report (Chairman)
8. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK
Oral up-date.
9. CORRESPONDENCE
10. OTHER BUSINESS

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14 November 2017

Waverley Local Plan

Arising from decisions taken at the last meeting, Hambledon Parish Council commented as follows to Waverley on the proposed Local Plan Modifications:

“Hambledon Parish Council’s views about the now-proposed housing numbers, are brief: namely

- Meeting the new housing target will put a huge strain on Waverley. It will also undermine all the good work that so many Town and Parish Councils have, with Waverley’s encouragement, put into the preparation of their Neighbourhood Plans.
- Waverley should strongly resist the requirement that it accommodate part of Woking’s unmet need – why was this, and measures for meeting it, not included in Woking’s current Local Plan? If Woking dug itself into a hole, it is surely for it, not Waverley, to dig itself out of it.
- The need for affordable homes is probably stronger now than ever. Rather than meeting it through an increased OAN, Waverley should make it a requirement that 40 per cent of new developments be affordable. In this connection it is ironic that, earlier this year, Waverley saw fit to reject the proposed development at Orchard Farm in which affordable homes would have exceeded market houses by 12 to five. Nor should affordable housing be restricted to large developments: their judicious placement in small rural developments can make a significant addition to the overall supply and ensure the on-going homogeneity of villages. “The Parish Council would be grateful if these comments could be included as part of the current consultation. It has no comments on any of the other proposed modifications.”

An email was subsequently sent to all members of the Joint Parishes by the Chairman of Chiddingfold Parish Council, Richard Hogsflesh, asking if they were concerned about the proposed increase in housing numbers and, if so, what their thoughts might be on a joint objection. The Chairman agreed that the comments which Hambledon Parish Council had already submitted should be forwarded to Mr Hogsflesh and that he should feel free to incorporate these in any joint comment or otherwise make use of them, as Hambledon would be happy to be part of a further joint response.

Dunsfold Park

The Inspector’s decision is still awaited.

Jane Woolley
24 September 2017

Proposed footpath modification order

In September 2012, with the support of the Parish Council, an application was made to SCC to give the formal ROW status to a footpath running through land that belongs almost in its entirety to the owner of Nutbourne Park and which links Coleman's Copse to existing Rights of Way. SCC submitted the necessary Order in January 2016. The landowner objected and a public inquiry was held on 3 May and 26 July 2017.

The Order cited public use of the route over a 20-year period, based on the evidence of 26 villagers. Seven of these (including Mike Parry) spoke at the inquiry.

The Inspector who headed the inquiry did not uphold the objector's contention that, over the 20-year period, use of the route had been by force, as none of the 26 villagers could recall ever having seen notices expressly forbidding access to it. However, she was of the view that villagers' evidence suggested that the paths forming the route were part of many that criss-crossed the woodland as a whole, all of which provided access for recreational purposes. Her conclusion was that use had been of the woods generally, with some limited use of the Order route (or parts of it) rather than its use as a defined route; and that the Order could not therefore be confirmed.

Jane Woolley
24 September 2017