

HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Hambledon Parish Council meeting on 2nd March 2021 via Zoom conference call at 18.30 hours.

Present

Cllr John Anderson (Chairman), Cllr Stewart Payne (Vice Chairman), Cllr Philip Underwood, Cllr Robin McKeith, Cllr Mary Grove, Cllr Ali Scott-Bishop, Cllr Sean Sinnott, Julie Flenley (Clerk).

1. Questions from members of the public –
Presentations were made from Savilles and John Pardy Associates on behalf of the new owner of Nutborne Brickworks. They outlined plans for a single storey house and stated the new owner wished to bring the land back to its original state. The building would be approximately half the size of the current application. It would be a single residential dwelling, with ancillary accommodation and a guest house. It would be a more low-key sustainable and eco-friendly property of contemporary architecture.
2. A few moments of silence were held in remembrance of John Tidmarsh. John was a well-respected and loyal member of the community who had contributed to Hambledon over many years. He is greatly missed.
3. Apologies for Absence –Cllr Trevor Sadler and Cllr Jan Floyd-Douglass (WBC).
4. Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 were agreed and will be signed by the Chairman at a later date.
5. Declaration of Interests:
 - Cllr John Anderson: Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses; Trustee, Hambledon Football Club, Member of Hambledon Community Fund.
 - Cllr Mary Grove: Member, Village Hall Committee; Trustee, Hambledon Football Club.
 - Cllr Sean Sinnott: Member of the Management Committee, Hambledon Village Shop; Member of the Management Committee, Hambledon Festival Association; Member, Hambledon Community Fund, Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses.
 - Cllr Alison Scott-Bishop: Chair of Management Committee, Hambledon Village Shop.
 - Cllr Phillip Underwood: Parish Council representative of the Parochial Church Council, Hambledon Parish Church.
 - Cllr Stewart Payne: Trustee and Parish Council representative, Hambledon Nursery School, Member of the Village Website Team.
6. Brief Verbal Report from the County Councillor on matters from Surrey County Council affecting this Parish. Cllr Victoria Young was not present at this meeting.
6. Brief Verbal Report from the Borough Councillors on matters from Waverley Borough Council affecting this Parish. Cllrs Floyd-Douglass and Sadler were not present at this meeting.
7. Update from the Emergency Committee regarding the current situation.
Cllr Payne noted that restrictions were being gradually relaxed, and that village organisations were working within the parameters set out by central government. The Merry Harriers have an update on the website; they can open outside from 12th April, but have chosen to open as of the 15th April

(outside service only), with the commencement of llama trekking and drinking outside will be permitted.

8. Finance

- Verbal update on monthly finances, month 12 budget update

The Clerk confirmed that expenditure was on track for the year. Funds held at the bank were as follows:

Current Account – £ 4,633.64
Reserves Account - £10,845.00
Henry Smith Account - £ 1,821.62

- Payments to be approved:
 - Colin Rapley Invoice no. 1863 - £1,500
 - RD and ER Northway Invoice no. 3699 for £76.80
 - Mary Grove £47.50 Welcome Packs
 - Julie Flenley Expenses Q1 2021 £60

- Cloud Update

The Clerk noted the file transfer and uploading of documents had been completed and that the password and log in would be circulated ASAP.

- Henry Smith Charity verbal update

The Clerk confirmed that the Annual Report for 2019/2020 had been submitted to the Charity Commission.

A proposal was made for a foodbank donation which was agreed by Councillors.

Action: Clerk to set up new account for future CIL payments.

Action: Clerk to pass Cloud access details to Councillors.

9. Planning Matters Update

Cllr Anderson noted that the Clerk had updated on the exploratory oil drilling at High Loxley. A hearing date has been set for 24th July for 9 days and Waverley Borough Council are requesting Rule 6 status alongside a number of other parish councils.

10. New Planning Applications

- **WA/2021/0258** - HYDON HOUSE, HYDON HEATH, HYDESTYLE, GU8 4BB. Certificate of lawfulness under section 192 for a single storey detached outbuilding. Councillors had no material comments – Waverley Borough Council to determine.
- **WA/2021/0106** - LAND AT OLD SCHOOLHOUSE, CHURCH LANE, HAMBLEDON, GU8 4DR. Erection of two dwellings with new vehicular access and associated works. Councillors motioned to object, noting that the proposal was infilling in a Greenbelt, AONB, AGLV and a conservation Area. The garden was not a brownfield site.
- **WA/2020/0068** - MEADOW COTTAGE, LANE END, HAMBLEDON, GU8 4HD. Erection of extensions and alterations to detached outbuilding to form self-contained annexe. Councillors had no material comments – Waverley Borough Council to determine.

Action: Clerk and Cllr Anderson to liaise over responses and send letters to Waverley Borough Council.

11. Recent Planning Applications

- **WA/2020/1795** – Hydon Wood Cottage. Feathercombe Lane, Hambledon, GU8 4DP. FULL PERMISSION.

- **WA/2020/1074** – Hydon Farm, Hambledon Road, Hambledon, GU8 4DL. FULL PERMISSION.
- **WA/2020/2020** – The Lake Barn, 6 Warren Lane, Hambledon, HAMBLEDON, GU8 4AS. REFUSED.
- **WA/2020/2129** - 3 Warren Lane, Hambledon, GU8 4AS. PENDING.
- **WA/2020/2037** – Sawmill Cottage, Salt Lane, Hydestyle, GU8 4DH. PENDING.
- **WA/2020/1989** – Sawmill Cottage, Salt Lane, Hydestyle, GU8 4DH. PENDING.
- **WA/2020/2107** – Witts End, The Cricket Green, Hambledon, GU8 4HF. PENDING.
- **WA/2020/2055** – Tuesley Farm, Tuesley Lane, Godlamington, GU7 1UG. PENDING.

The Chairman reported receipt of a letter from Mrs Cavalcante regarding her concerns and objections to this Planning Application. The Chairman would reply noting her comments and reiterating our previous comments to WBC, as stated in our earlier response to them.

Councillors noted for the record.

Action: Clerk and Cllr Anderson to respond to Mrs Cavalcante.

12. Village Matters

- Maintenance, highways, hedges, ditches and rights of way

Cllr McKeith reported that Colin Rapley had completed work on the ditches. Cllr Grove asked Cllr McKeith to speak to Colin Rapley in order to address the height of the banks to the ditches on Hambledon Road as they are getting rather high. Cllr McKeith confirmed that there was no further work proposed for Tim Coleman this year but there is a program of works going forward for replacement posts which have been knocked over. Cllr Payne confirmed that some further work was required to erect the notice board, which Martyn Grove and Tim Coleman were working on.

SGN have now abandoned the idea of progressing the gas works up Malthouse Lane due to the traffic volumes. They are still on track with the proposed works, anticipated for the end of March. Cllr Anderson had suggested that Cllr Victoria Young be contacted so that if such protracted works are proposed in future they would monitor the roadwork closures.

- Hydon's Ball and the Tolt update

Cllr Payne noted that the issues of mountain bikers on Hydon's Ball have resolved themselves but that he had had a call from a neighbour of the National Trust land, about concerns regarding the Tolt, where people had built a mountain bike track on their land. The Rural Crimes team had been in attendance and the situation is being monitored and the track will be dismantled.

- Traffic and Speedwatch

Cllr Grove reported that she had had a complaint from a member of the public on inconsiderate driving by tractors. Councillors agreed that Cllr Payne to speak to local farmers to address the problem.

A link for a petition generated by Witley Parish Council to request that Surrey County Council look at the installation of VAS, road markings and speeding signs on Wormley Hill and the New Road junction has been circulated. 30 signatures are required by 12th March in order for the petition to be heard by the Waverley Borough Council Local Area Committee. The petition is being supported by Hambledon Parish Council. Cllr Grove to circulate the petition link and requested that it was added to the website and circulated on village WhatsApp groups.

Cllr Grove reported that Surrey Hills AONB suggested that HPC may revisit the traffic calming proposals suggested by Colin Davis. Graham Cannon from Surrey Police was also contacted about

speed data in the village. Nothing has happened to date but more data is to be gathered in the future. The shared VAS system is still being discussed.

Cllr Payne briefly noted that there was no further news on the Traffic Destination Survey at Hydestile.

- Risk Analysis

Cllr McKeith confirmed that there were no updates.

- Other village matters

Cllr Anderson noted that he had been contacted by the new owner of the land between Hydon Farm and Hydestile Crossroads., and a field at the end of Hydestile Cottages, opposite the football field. The land has been held in Trust for a number of years, but it is being bought out of the family Trust into private ownership and proposals are being discussed about building a number of small dwellings in the small field and rural industrial buildings in the area of the old glass houses in the main field. Cllr Payne had also spoken with the new owner. No planning applications were imminent, however.

Action: Cllrs Grove and Payne to speak to local farmers about tractor traffic.

Action: Cllr Grove to circulate petition link.

13. Village Organisations

- Almshouses – Cllr Sinnott noted that there was nothing to report. Next meeting was scheduled for 1th March.

- Nursery School – Cllr Payne reported that the Nursery remains open and the next Trustee meeting is next week.

- Village Hall – Cllr Grove noted that it had had the village hall AGM via Zoom followed by the first meeting of the year. Finances are healthy and the committee had received a grant from Waverley Borough Council. The committee is looking for another member and investigating the installation of WiFi. Hall will open in accordance with government guidance. The Clerk confirmed that her understanding of the ACRE guidance was that parish council meetings could not resume before 17th May 2021 in accordance with government guidance.

- Hambledon Festival 2021 – Postponed until June 2022. Cllr Sinnott noted that there were 3 events lined up for 2021, including a music event for one evening and a traditional fete on June 19th, a BBQ in August.

- Village Shop – Cllr Scott-Bishop reported that the village shop was doing very well financially, a net profit had been made to year end of Jan 31st 2021. A management committee meeting was held on 22nd February where replacement committee member and secretary was identified and appointed. The lease is due for renewal from the Village Trust. Cllr Anderson thanked the shop management committee and volunteers for their work through testing times.

- St Peter's Church – Cllr Underwood reported that all activities are being run from the Busbridge and Hambledon website and it is being greatly used. No dates for reopening the church but there is a PCC meeting on 15th March where reopening will be discussed. The church remains open from 9.30am – 4.30pm daily for private prayer.

14. Reports from outside meetings – None.

15. Forthcoming outside meetings – None.

16. Correspondence – None.

17. Dates of next meetings:

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| - 6 th April 2021 | - 7 th December 2021 |
| - 22 nd April 2021 Parish Assembly | - 4 th January 2022 |
| - 11 th May 2021 (TBC - maybe 6 th May) | - 1 st February 2022 |
| - 1 st June 2021 | - 1 st March 2022 |
| - 6 th July 2021 | - 5 th April 2022 |
| - 7 th September 2021 | - 21 st April 2022 (Parish Assembly) |
| - 5 th October 2021 | - 10 th May 2022 |
| - 2 nd November 2021 | |

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED AT 20.41