

HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 3 December 2013 in the Village Hall

Present: John Anderson (Chairman), Karen Jones, Paul Pattinson, Mike Parry, Stewart Payne, Peter Spall and Philip Underwood; and Jane Woolley (clerk)

Apologies: Cllrs. Adam Taylor-Smith and Elizabeth Cable; PC Tracey Taylor

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 October 2013 were **agreed** and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

3. FINANCE

Cheques for **confirmation**

C J Dozers & Partners - ditch clearance	£1148.64
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Cheques for **approval** and signature

Tim Coleman – November maintenance	£ 160.00
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Workstation – photocopying	£ 7.80
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Village Hall – meeting room hire, 2013 (Parish Council, Oakhurst Advisory	£ 228.00
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Committee)

CPRE - annual subscription	£ 29.00
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Budget, 2014-15

Approved the draft (previously circulated), subject to an increase of approx. three per cent in the Clerk's salary; noted that, even with this amendment, the Parish Council precept would not exceed two per cent compared to the current year; and **agreed** that the attached budget should be submitted to Waverley by the due date (10 January 2014).

4. PLANNING

Planning applications

- WA13/0120: Tuesley Farm, variation of conditions to permit retention of polytunnel legs.

Confirmed the decision of the Planning Committee not to object

- WA13/1796: Marepond Farm, demolition of barn, erection of dwelling and garage. Noted that Stewart Payne had made a site visit; **confirmed** the subsequent decision of the Planning Committee not to object despite its setting a precedent for inappropriate development in the Green Belt; and noted the subsequent advice from Waverley that, as the barn had already received a certificate of lawfulness as a dwelling, the present application did not conflict with planning policy.

Upper Tuesley Farm

Noted the responses (previously circulated) from SCC and Waverley to the concerns expressed by the Parish Council at its previous meeting.

Noted the request for further information regarding the commencement of demolition work prior to the approval of a detailed planning application. [Note: as at 5 December demolition still only the subject of outline planning.]

5. VILLAGE MATTERS

Highways

Noted that Colin Rapley would start to clear gullies and associated pipe work on 7 December and identify any blockages requiring the services of a (SCC Highways) jetter; noted the complements received for his work to date from Cllrs. Elizabeth Cable and Victoria Young; and **agreed** to bid for £2,500 to enable work to continue in 2014-5 under the auspices of SCC's Highways Localism Initiative.

Noted that repairs to the Hambledon Road would now start on 5 December and that Stewart Payne was in touch with the operators of the local bus regarding services during the period of road closures.

Village Fete

Noted that next year's fete would be on Saturday 21 June; that the marque had been booked; that Sue Blackman would be organising the dinner dance on the evening of 21 June but would like someone to shadow her with a view to taking over its organisation in 2016; that St Peter's Church might be interested in using the marque for an event on Sunday 22 June; that the success of the 2012 fete had been in large part due to the involvement of nearly all the village groups; and **agreed** that this should be stressed in Philip Underwood's article in the January Parish Magazine inviting ideas for/organization of the 2014 fete and associated events.

Parish Assembly, 2014

Noted the following ideas for the guest speaker slot

- The new vision for Hambledon Village Shop
- Hambledon Nursery School (including the potential of its new outdoor classroom)
- A life in Hambledon
- Sustainable development: what it means for Hambledon
- The Hambledon calendar (photographic) competition
- St Dominic's School

and **agreed** to consider these further at the next meeting.

6. VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Almshouses

Noted that a builder had been selected to up-grade the vacant cottage, that the contract was due to be finalised at a meeting of the Trustees later in the week and that work would start as soon as possible thereafter.

Nursery School

Noted that an application for funding from SCC's Leader grant had been made to help meet the cost of new windows (approx. £46k) and that the outcome should be known early in the new year.

Village Hall

Noted the success of the quiz night which had raised just under £700; that an electrical test had to be carried out; and that quotes had been sought for sanding the floor.

Village Shop

Noted the forthcoming Christmas Fair (5 December); the success of the Halloween evening (35 children present); the survey that was being conducted via the Parish Magazine to determine what villagers wanted of their village shop; the proposed extension to create an indoor café area (with an accompanying request for funding for the associated capital costs

from the SCC Leader fund); the review of the management structure and the possibility of appointing a new paid manager; and the success of the wine tasting and volunteers' party on 26 November.

7. OUTSIDE MEETINGS

SCC Local Committee in Waverley, task group meeting, 5 November

Noted that agenda items had included a list of SCC for minor highways projects, of which none was relevant to Hambledon; but **agreed** to request inclusion of the footway along the A283 adjacent to Phillips Garage in a future list.

Waverley meeting with Town and Parish Councils, 2 December

- Superfast Broadband. Noted that the Surrey scheme covered the Wormley but not the Godalming exchange area which was included in BT's commercial roll-out; that premises in Hambledon served by the Wormley exchange should all be connected by the end of the year; that those served by the Godalming exchange either had been or should be connected by the end of 2014 with the exception of premises in Feathercombe Lane; and that ways of resolving difficulties in that area (due to its being over 4 kms from the nearest cabinet) were under consideration.

- Waverley Local Plan. Noted that the number of new homes was now predicated at 470 pa (as against 230 pa in the previously submitted but now withdrawn plan) and that all Parishes were being asked to identify potential sites in their respective areas. **Agreed** that the list of potential sites identified in 2010/11 as part of Hambledon's housing needs survey remained current and that Waverley should be so informed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14 January 2014