

MINUTES

09.06.2015

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Godshill on Tuesday 9th June 2015 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Draper - Chairman

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Fell

Cllr Lintonbon

Cllr Williams

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

D/Cllr Bill Dow

Nine members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Cllrs John Sanger and Roly Errington for attending as they were present to provide the Parish Council with information on the Verge Damage Project being taken forward by the Western Escarpment Steering Group.

30./15 Apologies: C/Cllr Edward Heron.

31./15 Declarations of Interest: None.

32./15 To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 12th May 2015: Cllr Lintonbon proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

33./15 Matters arising from the Minutes: None.

34./15 To receive a report from D/Cllr Bill Dow: Cllr Dow said he had nothing to report.

35./15 Litter Warden Update – To receive a report from Mrs Sara Boyd: Mrs Boyd said she did not have very much to report other than the fact that the litter bin beside the bus shelter was working brilliantly. She also said that Sarah Westlake had done as she had promised which was to clear the route from Chamberlain Field to Sandy Balls of litter after the camping over the bank holiday weekend.

36./15 Public Forum - 15 minutes to receive any questions or statements from members of the public:

Mrs Cooper raised the issue of the cutting down of the holly trees within the boundary of her property by staff from Sandy Balls and asked that sufficient screening be provided in reparation. Cllr Draper said he was happy to act as an intermediary on Mrs Cooper's behalf and had yet to hear from Mr Tom Cumming. He said he would contact him again by the end of the week to arrange a meeting.

Cllr John Sanger and Cllr Roly Errington gave a 15 minute detailed presentation with slides on the Western Escarpment Steering Group's Verge Damage Project with the purpose of ensuring that the Parish Council was informed of the issues and became more involved. Cllr Draper said that the Parish Council had appointed a representative to the Steering Group which was Cllr Williams. However, he said she was unable to attend the July meeting and so the Clerk would attend in her place.

Signed by Chairman

14th July 2015

37./15 Planning and Tree Works Applications:

Application No. 15/00339

Godshill Wood Farm, Woodgreen Road, Godshill – Two units of holiday accommodation, associated external works: Following a lengthy discussion and clarification from the applicant, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and it was agreed by the meeting with abstentions from Cllrs Cakebread and Fell that the decision be left to the officer.

Application No. CONS/15/0480

Sandy Balls Estate, Godshill - T1 - Oak tree - Fell to ground level. T2 - Pine tree – Fell: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the decision be left to the Tree Officer with a request that a suitable replacement tree be planted in its place.

38./15 To consider the Parish Council’s draft submission to the Planning Inspectorate in response the Planning Appeal for Godshill Wood Farm and to consider whether there are any other actions to be taken: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was approved by the meeting.

39./15 To consider the costs of hiring and/or purchasing a Speed Indicator Device (‘SID’) and to reconsider the offer from Bramshaw Parish Council to buy a third-share in their Speedwatch equipment with Minstead Parish Council and Copythorne Parish Councils for the cost of £833: Following a lengthy discussion and a report from the Clerk that the cost of the deployment of a speed indicator from New Forest District Council for one week in one direction would be £151 plus mileage and then £100 to install a sleeve, if required, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Williams seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that the Clerk book the SID with New Forest District Council. She was also asked to ensure that the SID was positioned so that it could record the speed of vehicles travelling towards Cadnam.

40./15 To consider a response to a Recreation Survey for the Latchmore Restoration Environmental Impact Assessment which will enable a better understanding of how the area is currently used for recreational activities such as walking, cycling, horse-riding etc: Following a discussion, Cllr Cakebread proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that a response be delegated to the Clerk and Cllr Draper.

41./15 To consider and agree on a response to Hampshire County Council’s consultation on its draft Cycling Strategy: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that a response be delegated to the Clerk and Cllr Cakebread for consideration at the next meeting.

42./15 To consider and agree on a response to New Forest District Council’s consultation on a review of its Licensing Policy: Following a brief discussion, Cllr Draper proposed from the chair that the Parish Council should not submit a response.

43./15 To consider whether the Parish Council wishes to submit any further comments on the revised New Forest National Park Authority’s Management Plan update for 2015-20: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was agreed by the meeting that a response be delegated to the Clerk and Cllr Cakebread for submission by the deadline of 22nd June.

44./15 To consider a letter from the Review Officer of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England regarding a consultation on an Electoral Review of Hampshire which will recommend new electoral arrangements for Hampshire County Council: Cllr Draper proposed from the chair that councillors should submit their individual personal responses.

45./15 To approve the following payments:

£80 – Fair Account – for the annual internal audit.

£250 – For Mrs Sara Boyd, Litter Warden.

Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and they were approved by the meeting.

46./15 Finance & Policy

The Council approved the following payments:

	£	Cheque No.
Mrs S Boyd - Litter Warden	250.00	100426
Fair Account - Internal Audit	80.00	100427
TLC Online - Website Management	60.00	100428
B Cornish - June Salary	310.33	100429

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 09.06.15:

Current Account: £12,552.49 Deposit Account: £578.91

Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and they were approved by the meeting.

47./15 To consider and approve the Annual Accounts, Governance Statement and Statement of Variances for 2014/15 for submission to the Parish Council's External Auditors following the Internal Audit: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and they were approved by the meeting.

48./15 Outside Bodies And Representation:

Annual Parish Meeting of Hyde Parish Council: Cllr Draper gave a brief report on an interesting meeting he had attended with the Clerk following the kind invitation from the Chairman. He said that Hyde was in the early stages of trying to provide a solution to the poor broadband provision and also had the issue of the Latchmore Brook restoration. He also said that Hyde was looking to work more closely with its neighbouring parishes on issues of mutual interest.

North West Quadrant: Cllr Cakebread gave a detailed report on a recent meeting at which the plan for the closure of Pound Bottom had been discussed as well as planning training courses for councillors, the NFNPA Management Plan and a 'Family Trees' scheme. The aim of the scheme was to enable families to celebrate a birth or life event by planting a tree in a community woodland in the New Forest.

Meeting with Mr Tom Cumming of Sandy Balls: Cllr Cakebread gave a brief report on a recent meeting which she said had been encouraging, although she said he had not been aware of the licensing conditions for music which applied to Cornfield.

New Forest Consultative Panel: Cllr Draper gave a lengthy and detailed report on a recent meeting which discussed numerous issues. In particular, the Sustrans proposed signing of cycle routes from Salisbury to the New Forest on which clarification was sought on the

possibility that the results and routes supported by Hampshire parishes by the New Forest consultation may differ from those selected by Wiltshire Council, the appointment of Rory Stewart MP as the minister for National Parks and the policy on windblown trees.

49./15 Correspondence.

- 1 Fordingbridge Town Council – An email from Mrs Debbie Vine advising that the Council had awarded the Lengthsman contract to Avon Tree Care of Fordingbridge following receipt of 7 tenders. She would be in contact again to confirm work sheets and visits.
- 2 New Forest Association of Local Councils – An email from Mr Graham Flexman regarding the map and information on the Cycletta New Forest on 20th September which will not be coming through Godshill.
- 3 New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr David Illsley enclosing the minutes of the Western Escarpment Conservation Area Verge Project meeting on 20th April.
- 4 New Forest National Park Authority – A letter from Ms Lisa Crouch enclosing a disc of the Western Escarpment Conservation Area Verge maps.
- 5 Hampshire Association of Local Councils – An email from Ms Susan Ramage advising of the dates for training sessions for New Councillors.
- 6 Relate Solent and Winchester – A letter from Ms Deborah Crescente advising of relate counselling services now being provided at Lyndhurst.
- 7 Ringwood & Fordingbridge Footpath Society – An email from Mr Kelvin Winch enclosing the June copy of Waymark.

50./15 Any Other Business: None.

51./15 Next meeting: Tuesday 14th July 2015 at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.