

MINUTES OF COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL (PLANNING) MEETING

Held on Tuesday 12th April 2016

At Copythorne Parish Hall

Duration: 7.00 pm – 9.13 pm

PRESENT

In the Chair	Councillor John Goodwin
Parish Councillors	Councillors Joe Reilly, Lady Kara Hawks, Sarah Coombs, Steve Herra and Mike Moriaty
Clerk	Michael Mortimer

IN ATTENDANCE 1 member of the public

Minute Ref	
228.	Item No.1 - Apologies
	Parish Councillor Simon Lucas
229.	Item No. 2 - Declarations of interest
	The Chairman, Councillor John Goodwin reminded Councillors of their responsibility to declare any interest in any matter on the Agenda. Councillor John Goodwin declared a pecuniary interest in the reconsideration of the planning matter relating to Bartley Villa.
230.	Item No. 3 - Public Participation
	Councillor John Goodwin invited members of the public to ask questions or make statements/representations. Those asking questions or making statements were asked if they wanted their names and subject matter of the question/statement to be recorded in the minutes. A member of the public reiterated his concerns in respect of possible further unlawful development taking place on a site in Cadnam. The Clerk will raise the matter once again with Rob Aldred of NFNPPA
231.	Item No. 4 - Planning matters
	(a) New matters
	16/00237 HOLLYBANK, NEWBRIDGE ROAD, CADNAM, SOUTHAMPTON, SO40 2NX Members noted the details contained in the submitted planning application to include the plans and drawings together with the comments contained in the Parish Briefing Note as prepared by the Planning Authority. Members resolved that they were happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers (5)

	(b)	Tree work applications
	Members noted that a tree work applications had been made at following location:	
	CONS/16/0289	FAIRVIEW, COPYTHORNE CRESCENT, COPYTHORNE, SOUTHAMPTON, SO40 2PE
	No objections were raised to the above application	
	(c)	Planning decisions
	Members noted the following planning decision had been made:	
	16/00102	JAMES FARM, WINSOR ROAD, WINSOR, SOUTHAMPTON, SO40 2HJ Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed use of land for parking for up to 6 No. vehicles Raise Objections
	(d)	Planning Appeals
	No planning appeal notifications have been received since the last Parish Council meeting of 22 nd March 2016	
	(e)	Enforcement Action Notifications
	No new enforcement notifications have been received since the last Parish Council meeting of 22 nd March 2016:	
	(f)	Appeals against Enforcement Action Notifications
	No new notifications received	
	(g)	Other Planning Matters
	Members were asked to note that amended plans had been submitted and approved in respect of Merridale that was considered at the 22 nd March 2016 meeting	
	Councillor John Goodwin advised members that matters were still ongoing in respect Bartley Villa	
232.	Item No. 5 - Lengthsman Scheme	
	Councillor Joe Reilly provided a verbal report on work that is currently being carried out by the Lengthsman in the Parish. Councillor Reilly is to provide a schedule of works undertaken to date, Councillor John Goodwin advised members that the Lengthsman had cleared a small section of ditch adjacent to the culvert which flows under the entrance drive to Mr & Mrs Fry's property, which was reducing the accumulations of water/flooding. Members reiterated that value for money should be shown in the utilisation of the lengthsman and a record should be kept of works associated with Highway type work and other work. In the formulation of a new contract the estimates/purchase orders procedures from other cluster members are to be considered. Councillor Reilly is to get the Lengthsman to submit an invoice for the work undertaken to date. It was Confirmed that Councillors Goodwin and Reilly would attend a Lengthsman Cluster meeting on 1st June 2016. The Clerk is to arrange this for 6pm.	
233.	Item No. 6 – Appointment of a new Clerk	
	Councillors Reilly, Goodwin, Coombs and Herra are to be members of a Working Group, under the chairmanship of Councillor Reilly to manage to process of recruiting and selecting a new clerk. The Parish Clerk will utilise the past job descriptions and adverts and those recently used by Wellow Parish Council. The Clerk is to obtain cost estimates for placing advertisements in the Romsey Advertiser and Lymington Times	

	As part of the preparatory work to formulate a job description, members discussed a number of options going forward to ensure that the Clerk's duties could be discharged in a 12 hour week. Members therefore resolved with effect from September 2016, there would only be one Parish Council meeting per month for a six month trial period. Further details would need to be worked up to include the possible establishment of a lead member and or planning sub-committee to deal with urgent planning matters.
234.	Item No. 7 – Proposal for a play area at the Parish Hall Councillor Joe Reilly reported that at a recent Copythorne Parish Hall Committee meeting, which he attends as the Parish Council's representative, the Parish Hall Committee have agreed to the potential provision of play area on the Parish Hall site and the establishment of a sub-committee to manage the potential provision of a play area. Councillor Reilly advised that the posting on Facebook which read "We will be having a new play park fitted in the future which will be organized by The Parish Council. More news will follow" was unauthorized and very pre-mature. It was agreed that the Parish Council will be supportive of a proposal for the potential provision of a play area for children of the widest possible age range. The Parish Council will consider making a donation/grant at the requisite time when the Parish Hall sub - committee have evolved and developed a credible and viable plan for a play area.
	Standing Orders were suspended at 9 am
235	Other matters Councillor Sarah Coombs was seeking further information about what was happening on proposed affordable housing site no 14 (Jamie Wingar's site) Councillor Steve Herra enquired about whether anything was being done in respect of the property off Southampton Road. The Clerk advised that the property in question was listed on the latest New Forest National Park Planning Authority Enforcement list Councillor Steve Herra also enquired of the progress that was being made in respect of various matters that he was pursuing on behalf of residents. The Chairman and Parish Clerk were still pursuing matters with Hampshire County Council and Hampshire Highways. Councillor Mike Moriarty brought members attention to the official launch of Flood Re with effect from 1st April 2016. Flood Re is a joint Government/insurance industry re-insurance initiative, whose aim is to make insurance obtainable or more affordable in flood prone areas. Residential properties are only currently eligible. However buy to let properties and residential properties built after 2008 are specifically excluded. Flood Re is funded from a levy on every residential insurance policy and an increase in Insurance premium tax. Official figures suggest that one in six properties is at risk from flooding. 350,000 households could benefit from Flood Re to include those areas of Copythorne that might have experienced difficulties in obtaining flood cover or have had to pay high premiums and /or excesses. Like all new schemes it will take time to bed in and for all participants to become aware of its existence and workings.

Chairman:

Date: