

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Copythorne Parish Hall – 14 January 2014
(7.00 p.m. – 9.05 p.m.)

PRESENT: Councillor S Bullen-Jarvis (Chairman); Councillors J Goodwin, Lady Kara Hawks, G James, M Moriarty, J Reilly and C Riddoch

128. FLOODING

In the public participation session, local residents gave details of flooding incidents in the parish over the Christmas period. These related to the Cadnam and Bartley areas with particular problems cited as lack of maintenance of roadside ditches, blockage of the culvert under the motorway and failure of the Pollards Moor Road pumping station.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would gather detailed information on recent incidents with a view to liaising with relevant authorities to find solutions. In this context, the role of Hampshire County Council as the lead flood authority was noted. Residents attending the meeting left contact details for future reference.

Councillor Goodwin agreed to prepare a draft questionnaire which could be used to assist the residents' survey, which would be copied to the Chairman and Clerk for comment.

129. PLANNING MATTERS

New applications: Members agreed the following responses to current applications:

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| 13/99063 | Part Parcel 0051, Land at Newbridge Road (Stables; hardstanding). Object (4) |
| 13/99049 | Land of Woody Bank, Whitemoor Lane, Winsor (Change of use of land to skip storage; siting of container) (Netley Marsh parish). Object (4) |

Decisions: Members noted recent decisions as shown in the list accompanying the agenda (appendix 1 in the minute book).

Enforcement: Members noted the January schedules showing enforcement action in the National Park.

130. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 12 December 2013, a copy of which appears as appendix 2 in the minute book. It was agreed:

- (1) That in respect of item 2 (Parish Council Estimates 2014/15):
 - (a) the sum of £365 allocated as Chairman's Expenses be transferred to the Chairman's Project Special Fund;
 - (b) use of the telephone line in the Parish Hall (installed for the internet connection) by members of the public is not practical as telephone calls are chargeable;
 - (c) the use of McAfee for anti-virus services be reviewed in 2015;
 - (d) the Council's Grant Policy be amended to refer to potential grants of between £100 and £200;
- (2) That, in respect of recommendation (2) of item 4 (Review of Financial Regulations), the authority for continued use of variable direct debit facilities shall also include the parish telephone line;
- (3) That, subject to (1) and (2) above, the minutes be received and the recommendations therein contained be adopted.

131. AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Members considered draft documentation from Community Action Hampshire for the Council's proposed housing needs survey. The documents were based on a survey recently carried out elsewhere in the New Forest. Members were in general agreement with the format but agreed to have further discussion at the next Planning meeting on the precise content, including the Parish Council information page and customisation of the covering letter.

132. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2014/15

Members agreed the draft timetable of meetings for 2014/15, as circulated with the agenda.

133. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Members agreed the arrangements for the APM on Wednesday 12 March 2014, which would include, as usual, the provision of refreshments.

134. FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE

Members noted an e-mail from the HCC Countryside Team seeking views on rights of way maintenance in time for the 2014 programme. Copythorne paths cut in the summer of 2013 were 4, 5, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____