

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Copythorne Parish Hall – 23 April 2013
(7.00 p.m. – 9.20 p.m.)

PRESENT: Councillor S Bullen-Jarvis (Chairman); Councillors J Goodwin, Lady Kara Hawks, G James and M Moriarty
 New Forest District Council: Councillor L Puttock
 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Reilly, Heron, Andrews and Tipp

168. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 26 March and 9 April 2013 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

169. MATTERS ARISING

Crime incidents: The Chairman agreed to review the origin of the list of crime incidents referred to at the previous meeting and to report back to members.

170. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

Councillor Puttock reported on the following:

- the political make-up of NFDC following the movement of two members to UKIP
- the proposed appointment of Councillors Christine Ford and Maureen Holding as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of NFDC
- the imminent retirement of Dame Mary Fagan, Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire
- ongoing discussions on staff remuneration (no current national settlement)
- the proposals for parking charges for disabled persons
- new Scout facilities for sailing at Testwood Lakes

171. CORRESPONDENCE

Members noted receipt of the following:

- the March Safer Neighbourhoods Beat report
- notice of election of a parish council representative to the National Park Authority from the North East Quadrant (closing date for nominations 17 June 2013)
- an invitation to include items in the agenda for the North East Quadrant meeting on Wednesday 8 May 2013 at Colbury (agreed, Chairman to make a presentation on the Commoners Dwelling Scheme)
- other correspondence as shown in the list tabled at the meeting

172. COPYTHORNE COMMUNITY GROUP SPORTS WALL

Councillor Goodwin reported on the proposals for this new facility in the grounds of Copythorne Parish Hall. Regrettably the project had failed to qualify for a grant from the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Community Organisation. However, the scheme was proceeding and the wall would be officially opened on 2 June 2013, subject to the agreement of the Parish Hall Committee. The Community Group would be responsible for maintenance of the facility and would pay a nominal yearly rent to the Hall Committee.

Members discussed the role of the Parish Council and agreed that the Council would meet the relevant insurance costs and include the facility in its risk assessment inspections.

173. HIGHWAY AND DRAINAGE ISSUES

Members discussed ongoing highway and drainage problems in the parish and agreed to arrange a site visit on Saturday 27 April at 10 am to identify the main issues. This would facilitate representations to the relevant authorities.

174. FINANCE MATTERS

The Clerk presented the monthly financial statement, together with details of proposed payments. Agreed, that the statement be received and the following payment authorised:

Cheque no

885	M Derrick (Clerk's salary and expenses – April)	£503.00
-----	---	---------

175. MATTERS PENDING

Members reviewed the outstanding items list and agreed the following:

523 (*Highway/drainage issues*): Sites to be further inspected at proposed site visit on 27 April.

529 (*Bartley crossroads – safety measures*): Request further site meeting with HCC

531 (*Caravans etc in Cadnam Lane*): Rob Aldred to be thanked for his ongoing efforts and be asked to update the Council on progress

533 (*Splitwind Pond – future maintenance*): Chairman to erect sign at pond inviting volunteers. Training to be organised thereafter.

534 (*Traffic issues, Old Salisbury Road*): HCC had confirmed that the length of road from Romsey Lodge towards the Golf Centre was not public highway. Golf Centre Manager therefore to be asked to consider implementing the various signage and white lining proposals discussed at the recent site meeting. Noted also that Old Salisbury Road was unclassified (U138) and that a 30 mph limit was not possible at this time.

535 (*Highway seat repairs, Haywain crossroads*): Chairman and Councillor Reilly to carry out necessary repairs

176. STANDING ORDERS

Standing Order 4(ii) was invoked to allow the meeting to deal with the business in hand.

177. DELEGATES' REPORTS

The Chairman had attended the NFALC meeting on 11 April but had been unable to introduce the Commoners Dwelling Scheme to the meeting. Agreed, matter to be raised at the NE Quadrant meeting on 8 May.

Councillor Lady Kara Hawks reported on the Netley Marsh APM which had included a talk on beekeeping. PC Rob Morant had been appointed as the new local Beat Officer.

178. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Councillor Lady Kara Hawks: Road edges in Old Romsey Road still an issue.

Incident involving youths on a motor scooter on the Parish Hall field.

Councillor Bullen-Jarvis: Repairs carried out to red telephone boxes

179. PLANNING MATTERS

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

- 13/98389 Glen Rhyn, Romsey Road, Cadnam (Roof alterations). Support (3), subject to any additional rooms in the roof space not being used for habitation
- 13/10192 McDonalds Restaurant, West Wellow Service Area, Romsey Road, Ower. (Car park/drive thru alterations). (5)
- 13/10193 McDonalds Restaurant, West Wellow Service Area, Romsey Road, Ower. (Display 2 internally illuminated customer order post signs with canopy; 1 non illuminated post mounted directional sign; 4 internally illuminated double sided rotating signs; 1 relocated internally illuminated height restrictor bar (application for advertisement consent). (5)
(Letter to be sent to McDonalds requesting attention to litter problem in the Wellow and Copythorne areas)

Application 12/97653 (Commoners dwelling, Brockishill Road, Bartley): Martin Lander of the Brockishill Road Residents Association expressed further thanks for the Parish Council's support in opposing this application. He requested continued support by holding the National Park Authority to account for their perceived errors and raising the matter with the New Forest Association of Local Councils.

Members agreed that a request be made to the NPA that, in the event of a new planning application being submitted, the whole process would start afresh, including a re-assessment by the Commoners Dwelling Scheme Panel. A review of the Commoners Dwelling Scheme and its members would also be requested, with a proposal that any re-submitted planning application be deferred pending this review.

The Chairman also agreed to raise the issue with representatives of the New Forest Association and the Commoners Defence Committee.

Decisions: Members noted recent decisions as shown in the list tabled at the meeting (appendix 1 in the minute book).

Construction of dwelling off Shelley Lane, Ower: The Clerk reported that the dwelling presently under construction north west of Shelley Lane off the A36 was an agricultural workers dwelling for which permission had been granted in 1987 (35390). The permission had been implemented by the building of foundations at that time.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____