

MINUTES OF COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL (FULL COUNCIL)

Held on Tuesday 26th January 2016

At Copythorne Parish Hall

Duration: 7.00 pm – 9.17 pm

PRESENT

In the Chair	Councillor John Goodwin
Parish Councillors	Councillors Joe Reilly, Lady Kara Hawks, Sarah Coombs, Simon Lucas, Steve Herra, Mike Moriarty
County Councillors	Councillor Keith Mans
District Councillors	Councillors Diane Andrews and Leslie Puttock
Clerk	Michael Mortimer

IN ATTENDANCE 9 members of the public

Minute

Ref

167 Item No.1 - Apologies

District Councillor Derek Tipp
County Councillor Edward Heron

168 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. None were declared

169 Item No. 3 - Public Participation

Councillor John Goodwin invited members of the public to ask questions or make statements and stated that any questions relating to affordable housing should ideally be held in abeyance as it is hoped that the exhibition on Thursday 28th January should provide considerable information and hopefully answer many questions

Name	Details of statement , question, representation
Mike Cross	Use of Chairman's fund/financial statements
Colin Hutchman	Correcting his name from Wychman to Hutchman in the minutes of 12 th January 2016 meeting
Alison Hutchman	Removal of her name from the Facebook association in the minutes of 12 th January 2016 meeting

170 Item No. 4 - To approve minutes

The minutes of the meetings of 24th November 2015 and 8th December 2015 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of 12th January 2016 meeting required correction - see matters arising below.

171 Item No. 5 - Matters arising

The minutes of the 12th January 2016 meeting will be corrected as follows:

Under Minute 157

Colin Wychman will be changed to Colin Hutchman

The reference to Alison Hutchman in respect of Facebook will be removed and the additional comment that the Chairman made about it “not being rocket science” in response to a question from Chris Patching will be added.

Parish Clerk to supply Chairman, John Goodwin with copy letter that he sent to Southern Water in December in respect of potential failures/shortcomings in the existing foul drainage as recorded in 24th November 2015 meeting minutes.

172 Item No. 6 - County Council matters

Councillor Keith Mans reported on the following:

- (i) The Devolution Debate – bringing Whitehall decision making to a more local level. Document produced by Hampshire County Council. Likelihood that localism would see responsibility for business rates, further education and housing devolved to local authorities. Councillor Mans reported that he had commissioned some recent research that had indicated that there were in the region of 36,000 residential units in the County which had planning permission but had not been built.
- (ii) HCC’s share of the Council Tax was likely to increase by about 3.99% for the forthcoming year. Larger than expected revenue support grant reduction from Central Government - £49m meant considerable pressure on HCC finances and use of some reserves.
- (iii) Councillor Mans advised members that he had a small grant fund available and would be pleased to hear from local applicants.

Parish Councillor Mike Moriarty asked Councillor Mans about potential budget cuts to local transport. Councillor Mans replied that although every effort was being made to try and maintain services, the current budget cuts from central government meant that nothing could not be guaranteed.

173 Item No. 7 - District Council matters

Councillor Leslie Puttock reported on the following:

- (i) Council Tax could not be held down indefinitely after a number of years of no increase, more especially when costs were rising and budget cuts could not be expected to deliver endless savings without repercussions on frontline services
- (ii) New housing developments - where are they going to go in the future. Pressure from central government to deliver greater housing numbers in the District. NFDC will have to potentially accommodate 1,200 potential new residential units per year. Period of constraint now followed by considerable pressure to expand the availability of residential development sites.

Councillor Diane Andrews reported on the following:

- (i) Good news that NFDC were building 35 new houses in Calmore to help

alleviate the current NFDC waiting list which currently stands at 4,100

- (ii) Bob Jackson – the new Chief Executive Officer of New Forest District Council has undertaken a re-structuring to consolidate the management of the authority into 4 executive heads
- (iii) Digital champions required – only 11 volunteers so far
- (iv) Clean for the Queen events being promoted by the District Council as part of the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations

Parish Council Chairman, Councillor John Goodwin raised the matter of flooding in the Parish whereby it has been confirmed by NFDC officers that the most number of flood resilience grants issued to any Parish or Town Council in the NFDC administrative area, comprising 37 councils, have been to residents in the Parish of Copythorne. Therefore he concluded, on the objective basis of grants awarded following the flooding at Christmas 2013/ New Year 2014, residents of Copythorne Parish Council are the most prone to internal property flooding.

174 Item No. 8 - Planning matters

(a) New applications for first consideration

- 15/000984 **Green Acres, Winsor Road, Winsor SO40 2HJ**
Members had noted the detailing contained in the submitted plans
No Parish Briefing Note had been received by the date of the meeting.
Members resolved to recommend permission (3)
- 16/00002 **Clock Cottage, Whitemoor Lane, Winsor SO40 2HD**
Members had noted the application to retain a garden room together with drawings and photographs. A Parish Briefing Note had been prepared by the local Planning Authority. Members resolved to recommend permission (3)
- 15/01008 **Paultons Park, Ower, SO51 6AL**
Members had noted the application for a two storey extension to the existing buildings and removal of cabins and temporary storage units as shown in submitted drawings and photographs. Mr R Mancey of Paultons Park provided further details in respect of the application to members. A Parish Briefing Note had been prepared by the local Planning Authority. Members resolved to recommend permission (3)

(b) Tree Work Applications

Members noted that no new tree work applications had been received since the last meeting

(c) Planning Decisions

Members noted that the following planning decision notifications had been received:

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| 15/00920 | Address | 15/00920 |
| | Application for | UNCLE TOMS CABIN, ROMSEY ROAD, CADNAM, SOUTHAMPTON, SO40 2NN |
| | Decision | Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development |

for Proposed siting of a mobile home for ancillary accommodation

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The Parish Council was not provided with any details in respect of this matter

(d) Planning Appeals

No notifications had been received of any appeals in Copythorne from the New Forest National Park Planning Authority or New Forest District Council

(e) Tree work decisions

No notifications of any decisions in respect of tree works had been received.

(f) Enforcement Action Notifications:

No new notifications have been received

(g) Appeals against Enforcement Action Notifications

No new notifications have been received

(h) Other planning matters

OWER SHOOT, SHELLEY LANE, OWER, ROMSEY - ALLEGED BREACH UNAUTHORISED CHANGE OF USE OF LAND

The following statement has been received from the Planning Enforcement Officer of New Forest District Council in respect of a possible unauthorised change of use:

"Action has been taken by Ower Shooting Ground, in conjunction with the Council's Environmental Health team, to reduce the impact of shooting and the number of shooting days for 2016 is not planned to exceed 28.

On this basis, it appears that there is no longer a breach of planning control and it is therefore my intention to close the file on this case." 7th January 2016

175 Item No.9 - Affordable Housing

The Parish Clerk presented an information paper by way of an update on preparations and work undertaken in respect of the exhibition on the potential provision of affordable housing in Copythorne that is to be held on Thursday 28th January 2016.

176 Item No. 10 – Lengthsman Scheme

This item was deferred until the 9th February 2016 meeting to enable Councillors Goodwin and Reilly to complete the compilation of a schedule of works

177 Item No. 12 – Copythorne War Memorial

Councillor Goodwin presented a report on his attendance and chairing of a meeting on Wednesday 20th January 2016 with the Reverend John Reeve, representatives of the British Legion and the Copythorne History Society in respect of the possibility of adding additional names to the memorial.

Councillor Goodwin also produced two update statements advising members that "the Copythorne Parish History Society is no longer proceeding with the Copythorne War Memorial Project". A copy of an e-mail from the Committee of the History Society dated 25th January 2016 confirmed this. After Councillor Goodwin has had discussions with Rev John Reeve and Ginge Kinley of the Copythorne Branch of the British Legion, it was considered that there was sufficient evidence had been presented to endorse the five named persons being added to the War Memorial.

The Chairman therefore asked members of the Parish Council continue with the War Memorial Project after the History Society had relinquished the project. The Parish Council resolved to take up the project. The Chairman, Councillor Goodwin confirmed that he had spoken to the previous Chairman Stuart Bullen – Jarvis who had confirmed that the Chairman’s allowance of £500 that he had donated to the History Society should be transferred back to the parish Council for use on the project. County Councillor Keith Mans also confirmed that his grant should also be transferred to the Parish Council.

178 Item No. 12 - Correspondence

The Clerk produced a list of correspondence which had been received. Members noted the contents. The Chairman, with the agreement of the full Council, requested that this and subsequent list are issued electronically with all electronic links added.

179 Item No.13 - Finance matters

- (i) *Expenditure* - the Clerk presented the monthly financial statement, together with details of proposed payments. Agreed, that the statement be received and the following payments were authorised:

Cheque No	Payee & Detail	Amount £
501013	Michael Mortimer (Clerks salary & expenses)	784.10
	TOTAL	784.10

Standing Orders were suspended at 9pm

180 Item No. 14 - Pending matters

The Clerk tabled the current pending items list with an additional column showing “Custodian” being the lead person who is responsible for this particular item going forward.

The Parish Clerk will produce a revised pending list with the agreed custodians shown, which is to be presented at the next meeting on 23rd February 2016

181 Delegates’ Reports

None

182 Members’ Reports

Councillors Mike Moriarty and Joe Reilly reported that the Parish Council had been offered two wooden seats from a deceased estates bequest. The Parish Council would like to accept the gift and Councillor Joe Reilly is to arrange for their collection. It was agreed that one seat would be located opposite the British Legion Hall at the top of New Inn Road (replacing the existing seat) and the other at the Parish Hall.

Chairman:

Date: