

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Copythorne Parish Hall – 26 February 2013
(7.00 p.m. – 9.20 p.m.)

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

139. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 22 January and 12 February 2013 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman, subject to the following amendments to minute 132:

Substitute 'Councillor Goodwin' for 'Councillor James' in line 1

Substitute 'Councillor James' for 'Councillor Goodwin' in line 6.

140. MATTERS ARISING

Traffic issues, Old Salisbury Road: Reply now received from Paultons Golf Centre. Early site meeting to be arranged.

141. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

Councillor Puttock reported on the following:

- no increase in NFDC council tax for 2013/14 despite significant Government funding reduction
- presentation made to NFDC by Simon Hayes, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire
- support for the recycling collection points for Hampshire Air Ambulance
- the availability of District Councillor grants for parish council projects in the current financial year

Councillor Moriarty enquired about safe disposal arrangements for old smoke alarms which carried a message not to incinerate. Councillor Puttock agreed to raise the issue with Councillor Heron.

142. CORRESPONDENCE

GIS Partnership: NFDC had invited the Council to participate in the partnership which was to be re-launched in April. No charge was being made for membership during 2012/13. It was noted that the mapping system still did not operate on the Council's desktop computer albeit it worked on the laptop. Agreed, that membership be approved subject to the Council having reasonable access to the facilities.

Other correspondence: Members noted receipt of the following:

- the January Safer Neighbourhoods Beat report
- a consultation on applications to vary the premises licence at the Co-op Service Station, Romsey Road, Ower for the sale of alcohol and internal alterations to the store layout (agreed, no comment)
- a new national health helpline (111) for Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton (to be posted on the website)
- copies of the latest Western Country Watch bulletins from Hampshire Constabulary (agreed, these and associated bulletins to be posted on the website as published)
- other correspondence as shown in the list circulated with the agenda

143. FLOODING

Flood Resilience Community Pathfinder Scheme: Defra had a fund of up to £5 million in the period to March 2015 to help local communities to develop local flood schemes. Interested parties were advised to contact their district or county councils to prepare bids. Agreed, that the council approach NFDC to resurrect the abandoned scheme previously prepared for the Bartley area.

Message from the Environment agency: The Agency had asked parish councils for help in recording the local impacts of flooding to help improve the flood warning service. Members agreed that future events should be photographed and recorded where possible to assist this exercise. Regular flooding in Beechwood Road was a particular instance.

144. FINANCE MATTERS

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

Cheque no

875	TLC Online (Website maintenance, January to March)	£90.00
876	M Derrick (Clerk's salary and expenses – February)	£592.93

Parish Hall car park extension: The Parish Hall Committee had enquired if the Parish Council could help with the cost of their planning application (£195) for a proposed car park extension. Agreed, that the Council meet the cost of the planning application by way of a grant under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

District Councillor Grants: Members identified two local projects for the purposes of grant applications to local District Councillors. It was understood that a total of £600 might be available in the current financial year (£200 from each Councillor) from their devolved budgets. The schemes were the Parish Hall car park extension and the sports wall proposed by the Copythorne Community Group. Agreed, that grant applications be made to Councillors Andrews, Puttock and Tipp for these projects.

145. MATTERS PENDING

Members reviewed the outstanding items list and agreed the following:

- 523 (*Winsor Lane road defects*): E-mail from Area Surveyor suggests that problems relate mainly to ground saturation, non-clearance of ditches and large vehicles causing damage to road edges and verges. Clerk to pursue possible leak from pumping station
- 530 (*Barrow Hill Road safety issues*): Meeting held with HCC on 24 January. Chevron signs to be installed on the bend (target date Spring 2013) and outside of bend to be swept to maximise the road surface
- 532 (*First Responder Training*): Chairman to contact Sylvie Atkinson concerning proposed training sessions
- 533 (*Splitwind Pond maintenance*): E-mail received from Naomi Ewald on maintenance issues. Agreed, discuss at next meeting
- 534 (*Traffic issues, Old Salisbury Road*): Site meeting to be held with Paultons Golf Centre on Friday 8 March
- 535 (*Highway seat repairs, Haywain crossroads*) Councillor Reilly obtaining quotations for repairs

146. DELEGATES' REPORTS

The Chairman reported on the NPA Planning Committee meeting held on 19 February. The two Copythorne applications referred had both been determined contrary to Parish Council recommendations (Paultons Plant Centre and Petherton, Newbridge). On public speaking procedures, the Committee had agreed to grant parishes the right of reply and had also preserved the unlimited speaking time for parishes. However, this decision was subject to endorsement by the Authority. The Chairman proposed to write to all parishes urging support for unlimited speaking time.

147. STANDING ORDERS

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

148. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Councillor Goodwin: Paultons Park had invited members to view the new 4D cinema and front of house updates. The Chairman and Clerk expressed an interest in attending. Paultons Park were also sponsoring Copythorne News in the coming year.

149. PLANNING MATTERS

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

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| 12/99562 | Camellia Lodge, Whinwhistle Road, East Wellow (Use of annexe as holiday let). Support (Highway objections considered inappropriate)
(<u>The applicant spoke in support of this application</u>) |
| 13/98164 | Little Orchard, Romsey Road, Cadnam (Two storey rear extension; front porch). Object (4) |
| 13/98166 | The Bungalow, Whitemoor Lane, Winsor (Single storey games room; detached double garage). Support (3), provided the roof height of the garage is reduced to prevent habitable use |

Application 12/97653 (Commoners dwelling, Brockishill Road, Bartley): The Clerk had circulated a draft letter to the National Park Authority commenting on the NPA's response to the petition from Sir John de Trafford. Agreed that the letter be approved as drafted.

Members also noted that the Brockishill Road Residents Association were employing the services of a lawyer in relation to the application. The Association had enquired whether the Council could consider making a contribution towards the cost. It was agreed that, while the Council fully supported the Association, it could not make any meaningful contribution. The request was therefore declined.

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

Old Bartley Nursery: The occupant of Nursery Cottage, adjacent to the Nursery, had complained to the NPA about planning breaches but had not received a response. The occupant was concerned that failure to observe conditions attached to the recent planning consent were affecting his residential amenities. Agreed, Clerk to arrange a site meeting with a member of the NPA Enforcement team.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____