

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY JUNE 14th 2022

Item 12 - Correspondence & Clerks Report

1. Affordable Housing in the Parish

There have been no updates advised to me since the last Council meeting on May 10th 2022.

2. Advisory Committees

As at the date of this report the following meetings have taken place since the last Council meeting:-

Finance AC & Five Year Plan AC

May 27th 2022

I am aware of the following meetings that have been scheduled for the next few months.

Flooding AC (re-scheduled from May 20th 2022)

June 10th 2022

Media & Publicity AC & Personnel & Governance AC

July 29th 2022 (provisional)

Finance AC & Five Year Plan AC

Sept 9th 2022 (provisional)

Agenda, meeting notes & papers for all Advisory Committee meetings can be found on the following page of our website (<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/committees/>) in accordance with the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committees.

3. Council Insurance Renewal

The renewal invitation premium for 2022/23 from AJ Gallagher (who have taken over Came & Co) was for £900.60. AJ Gallagher recommended switching insurer from AXA to Hiscox. This is because AXA are no longer operating in the Parish Council Sector. Ecclesiastical Insurance Group ("EIG") who have previously quoted have also withdrawn from the sector.

I obtained an alternative quote from BHIB Council's Insurance. BHIB are an insurance broker recommended by NALC whose sector specific policy is underwritten by Aviva Insurance Ltd. This quote, which offers equal or better levels of standard cover is for £760.44 (circa £140 less than with Hiscox and only £29 (4%) more than last year's premium.

By entering into a three year Long Term Agreement ("LTA") as had previously been done with Came & Co then the first year's premium drops to £715.38 (£16 cheaper than last year). The terms of the LTA are similar to that entered into with AXA in 2019.

The sum of £800.00 was included in the 2022/23 Budget for Insurance so the premium is fully budgeted for. I therefore - in accordance with the authority provided to me by our Standing Orders and Financial Regulations - have arranged cover with BHIB on the terms detailed above and entered into the three year LTA.

4. Fly-tipping incident

On May 24th I was notified of a possible incidence of fly-tipping of some rubble under a tree at The Parade, Southampton Road. I visited the location and having seen the tipping for myself spoke to the building contractors who were still at a site nearby. The rubble was subsequently removed by them. A large and growing pile of grass cuttings at the same location has separately been reported to NFDC for removal.

5. Noticeboard replacement Programme

New noticeboards are now in place at the Parish Hall and Scout Hut locations. The noticeboard near to Bartley Post Office will be installed by the end of June.

6. Matters reported to HCC/NFDC - Attached (as Appendix A) is a list of matters reported by the Clerk to HCC that remain outstanding. Also included are matters reported by councillors or residents who have then supplied the reference number to me.

David Rigby, Parish Clerk

June 7th 2022

APPENDIX A – Point 5 – Items reported to HCC/NFDC

ISSUES REPORTED TO HCC or NFDC FAULT REPORTING WEBPAGE - OPEN ENQUIRIES - (updated 07/06/22)

DATE REPORTED	REF. NUMBER	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE RAISED	REPORTED BY	FIRST CHECK DUE	LAST CHECKED	LATEST COMMENTS
09/02/20	21481011	New Inn/Oakfield Road, ditch issue	John Goodwin	16/02/20	31/05/22	31/5/22 Work completed
11/04/20	7061319	Query condition of New Inn Rd (direct to Highways)	David Rigby	27/04/20	07/06/22	21/03/22- Feb 2022 inspection reports no work required
06/10/20	21520848	Blocked drain under Southampton Rd (The Parade)	Graham Chillcott	13/10/20	07/06/22	23/04/22 – Discussed with HCC Highways (Manager – South)
22/10/20	21523620	Blocked ditch near The parade, Southampton Road	Graham Chillcott	29/10/20	07/06/22	See 21520848 above (connected reports)
03/11/20	21525785	Drain blocked near The Wilderness, Winsor Rd	David Rigby	10/11/20	07/06/22	4/1 Chased. 3/2 HCC Investigations continue
16/03/21	21548975	Broken Signpost at Bartley Crossroads	David Rigby (1)	23/03/21	26/05/22	26/5/22 Work completed
24/02/22	18001714	School parking issues, Winsor Road	David Rigby	03/03/22	07/06/22	06/06/22 - HCC advise Civil Enforcement officer will attend site.
23/04/22	21607764	Hedge issue – Old Romsey Road	David Rigby (2)	04/05/22	07/06/22	23/5/22 Enquiry marked by HCC as complete. 7/6/22 – HCC contacting landowner to resolve
03/05/22	CS2158821	Fly-tipping - Behind bench at top of New Inn Road	David Rigby	10/05/22	07/06/22	30/5/22 NFDC investigating issue
26/05/22	CS2164174	Fly-tipping under tree at The Parade	David Rigby	06/06/22	07/06/22	7/6/22 NFDC investigating issue

Number only = HCC

CS and Number = NFDC

(1) = For Cllr. Goodwin

(2) For Cllr. Lady Kara