

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27th 2022

Item 15 - Correspondence & Clerks Report

1. Affordable Housing in the Parish

As at September 20th 2022 the planning application for Hazlemere (22/00190) had not been determined. The planning application for Land to the East of New Inn Rd (22/00498) is the subject of a Forum Discussion taking place after this evening's Parish Council meeting.

2. Advisory Committees

The following meetings have taken place since the last Council meeting:-

Media & Publicity AC & Personnel & Governance AC	July 21st 2022
Finance AC & Five Year Plan AC	Sept 8 th 2022

At the time of writing, I am aware of the following meetings scheduled for the next few months.

Flooding AC	Sept 22 nd 2022 (to be rescheduled)
Media & Publicity AC & Personnel & Governance AC	Oct 17th 2022
Finance AC & Five Year Plan AC	Nov 17 th 2022

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. Parish Council stand at Platinum Jubilee Fun Day on June 4th 2022

The list of 16 ideas/suggestions made by local residents at the above event and provided to me by Cllr. Sylvia Wiggins was discussed by the Five Year Advisory Committee at its meeting on September 8th 2022. The list, with agreed comments, is attached as Appendix A and will shortly be published on our website; and summarised in a Parish Newsletter article and on our Facebook page.

4. August Planning Matters

During August when the Parish Council doesn't meet Planning Matters are dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 15 xvi. Details of how this process works and the application considered have been added to our website (<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/council-meetings/> then scroll down to August 2022).

5. Defibrillator Training

Over the last month, I have been discussing with New Forest Rotary; Meon Valley Heartstart; and Wessex Heartbeat the provision of some defibrillator training in the Parish. As a result of these discussions, two free sessions will be run on the morning of Saturday November 26th 2022 at the Parish Hall. A poster promoting the sessions will be added to the public side of the Council's noticeboards. An article will also appear in our next monthly newsletter (which will then be included in Stanley's Own). I will also add details onto the Parish Council's Facebook page. If anyone would like to attend the training then you can book a place via the following link:- <https://www.heartbeat.co.uk/Event/new-forest-rotary-defibs-in-action>

6. School Crossing Patrol – Bartley Junior School

As a result of a discussion with the School Office I am advised that Hampshire County Council are still trying to fill two vacancies. A poster has been added to all of our noticeboards and an article will be added to the October newsletter.

7. Public Right of Way ("PRoW") Inspections

All PRoW inspections have now been undertaken by the allotted councillor or myself and a report of the findings will be an agenda item for the October 11th 2022 Council meeting.

8. External Playground Inspection

The latest half yearly inspection of the playground by an external inspector took place on August 31st. We are expecting the report in the next few weeks although no items of significant concern have been identified. The report will be discussed as an agenda item at the October 11th 2022 Council meeting.

9. Anti-social behaviour

Council property (playground equipment; plastic benches; and a noticeboard) has suffered acts of vandalism over the last few weeks. Whilst I have been able to resolve the issues please can all residents (young and old) be mindful that the cost of repairs when required come from your Council Tax.

10. 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
September 20th 2022

APPENDIX A - Update on issues raised by local residents at Platinum Jubilee Fun Day (June 4th)

1/ Parishioners are desperate to have a Zebra Crossing /Lights outside Bartley School Winsor Road. Safe crossing for the children please.

This has been discussed with HCC Highways who have advised that they have no plans to install a zebra/pelican crossing. The Clerk will contact the school for an update on School Crossing Patrol recruitment and re-publicise details of the vacancies

2/ A roundabout at Bartley Crossroads.

This issue was raised with HCC Highways in 2021, when they advised that the cost of installing a roundabout cannot be justified.

3/ To Resurface New Inn Road, because of all the potholes and uneven surface.

HCC Highways inspect the road on a quarterly basis and have continued to advise that no work is currently required. The Clerk will continue to chase inspection reports and make contact with the HCC Executive Member for Highways

4/ Require a NEW Footpath from Hazelmere Lay-by down to New Inn Road Haywain corner very uneven and potholes many making their way down to the Post Office.

There is an existing pavement for which no issues have been reported to the Parish Council. The Clerk would be happy to report specific issues to HCC Highways.

5/ Please CLEAR the hidden Footpath from the Sir John Barleycorn Public House, through by the M27 to the Roundabout, Brook turning.

There is no public footpath across what is privately owned land.

6/ Keep the pathway clear of parked cars along in front of Cadnam Garage.

This issue has formed part of a planning application which is currently the subject of an appeal to the Planning Inspectorate. The owner of the garage has given a public commitment to ensure that the pavement is kept clear.

7/ Suggestion - To see Solar Panels on the HAYWAIN fields to help climate change.

This would be a decision for the landowner. The Clerk will contact the Development Control teams at NFNPA and NFDC to understand their approach to planning requests for "Solar Farms".

8/. Concern about the SPEEDING Traffic on ALL our Roads.

The Copythorne Speedwatch team ("CSW") under the guidance of Hampshire Police monitors traffic speeds at a number of locations within the Parish which have been approved by Hampshire Police as being safe for such activities. If there are other specific locations that residents would like to see monitored then please advise the Clerk and he will discuss the logistics with Hampshire Police and the CSW Team. The Clerk will advertise for additional CSW volunteers in the newsletter.

9/ Extending YELLOW LINES for. NO parking from opposite BARTLEY SCHOOL Winsor Road down the hill to BEYOND the DANGEROUS BEND by THE BRICKYARD LANE.

This has been discussed with HCC Highways who have advised that they do not consider extensions to the existing restrictions to be appropriate. The Clerk will contact HCC Highways re an extension opposite the shop.

10/ Leaving Bartley School ,,,, Why can't Parents / Cars / Vehicles use the Track /Lane between the wooden colonial house THE RED HOUSE and the house on the other side of the track on Southampton Road as an exit from the Bartley School grounds to help ease the movement and congestion during the morning school run in Winsor Road front entrance to the school and after school finishes.

This matter required further investigation by the Clerk.

11/ Please to have more Brown recycled plastic BENCHES for the public on the Football Field Copythorne Parish Hall Grounds. Request from parents during football matches.

The Parish Council provided the two existing recycled plastic benches at a cost of £1.1k. As the field belongs to the Parish Hall and not the Parish Council, we will ~~also~~ pass this suggestion on to the Parish Hall Committee.

12/ Request from the people in Winsor Road to cut the speeding traffic mostly youngsters in their cars / motorcycles / and mopeds down from Whitemoor Lane down through the village of Winsor and back again during night and day speed control of 20 mph, 30 mph.

Please see the response to Issue 8 above.

13/ Please to put Notices requested at the Entrance of "Green Lane" Beechwood Road and then the other end at Southampton Road cut through at Cadnam (near The Parade ...) "TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME "" and also one that reads "PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG PLEASE ".

This suggestion will be discussed with Forestry England.

14/ To restart Parish Design Statement

This project stalled due to a lack of willing volunteers from each of the six villages that make up the Parish to join a "working party". The Parish Council would be willing to resurrect the idea if volunteers came forward.

15/. Beautification of Village buildings

It is not understood what the parishioner who raised this issue envisaged. Further details are required to help understand this issue.

16/ Cut the tall grass from verges and on the Roundabout at Ower especially on the road from Romsey please.

The roundabout at this location is the responsibility of Highways England whose contractors cut the grass during June.

DAVID RIGBY

Clerk to Copythorne Parish Council

September 8th 2022

APPENDIX B – Point 8 – Items reported to HCC/NFDC

ISSUES REPORTED TO HCC or NFDC FAULT REPORTING WEBPAGE - OPEN ENQUIRIES - (updated 05/09/22)

DATE REPORTED	REF. NUMBER	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE RAISED	REPORTED BY	FIRST CHECK DUE	LAST CHECKED	LATEST COMMENTS
11/04/20	7061319	Query condition of New Inn Rd (direct to Highways)	David Rigby	27/04/20	21/06/22	August 2022 inspection report to be chased
06/10/20	21520848	Blocked drain under Southampton Rd (The Parade)	Graham Chillcott	13/10/20	05/09/22	23/04/22 – Discussed with HCC Highways (Manager – South) ongoing issue.
22/10/20	21523620	Blocked ditch near The parade, Southampton Road	Graham Chillcott	29/10/20	05/09/22	See 21520848 above (connected reports)
03/11/20	21525785	Drain blocked near The Wilderness, Winsor Rd	David Rigby	10/11/20	05/09/22	03/02/22 HCC Investigations continue 02/07/22 – Chased, reply awaited.
24/02/22	18001714	School parking issues, Winsor Road	David Rigby	03/03/22	04/08/22	05/08/22 - HCC Civil Enforcement officer visited 3 times in June/July 2022. Visits will continue.
03/05/22	CS2158821	Fly-tipping - Behind bench at top of New Inn Road	David Rigby	10/05/22	15/08/22	15/08/22 NFDC confirm land is not in public ownership. Issue to be raised with Housing Assoc.
26/05/22	CS2164174	Fly-tipping under tree at The Parade	David Rigby	06/06/22	20/07/22	20/7/22 NFDC advise no new incidents. Signage being considered by NFDC Enforcement.
01/07/22	CS2172730	Abandoned caravan in A336 Southampton Road layby at Bartley	David Rigby	08/07/22	15/07/22	Removed by NFDC under contract from HCC Highways

Number only = HCC

CS and Number = NFDC