



COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Five Year Plan Advisory Committee was held via Zoom Video Conference on Thursday January 9th 2025 starting at 12pm.

Members of Advisory Committee present:

Voting:- Cllrs Jackie Rhodes; Sylvia Wiggins; Sherri Johnstone

Non Voting:- Mr. David Rigby – Clerk and RFO

A G E N D A (with **DRAFT** notes of discussions)

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr. Graham Chillcott

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Review of notes of previous meeting (October 3rd 2024)

All voting members present at the last meeting were happy that the notes of the meeting held on October 3rd 2024 accurately reflected the discussions.

4. Update on Parish Environmental Activities (JR/SJ)

JR reported that Greening Copythorne were meeting later today and would be discussing the thermal imaging visits being arranged for late February/early March. She advised that the Lengthsman had done an excellent job in clearing excess vegetation from around Splitwind Pond and that work within the pond to remove a large amount of vegetation to prevent clogging was still needed. Volunteer work is still taking place on beautifying the parish. She concluded by reporting on how successful the Parish Hall “Decorated Christmas Tree” event was and thanked the organisers.

SJ advised that more businesses were signing up as “Community Allies” to the Plastic Free Copythorne campaign and more were being encouraged to do so. Another “Plastics Amnesty” event was being planned. All of this work was leading towards accreditation of the group’s efforts.

5. Update on Telephone Boxes Project (GC)

In the absence of GC, the DR reported that he wasn’t aware of any issues.

6. Update on Benches Project (DR)

The Splitwind Pond bench still needs to be re-assembled. It was suggested that DR should ask the Lengthsman if they could assist with this.

ACTION:- DR to discuss with the Lengthsman.

7. Parish Design Statement (SJ)

SJ reported that feedback had been received from the NFNPA on draft version 3. As a result amendments had been made and draft version 4 had been sent to the NFNPA for any further comments. These are awaited.

8. Review of other 2024/26 priorities

Review completed and spreadsheet updated. DR to talk to Revd. John Reeve of St Mary's Copythorne about updating a Parish Council meeting on community activities taking place. It was also suggested that we seek volunteers to help with footpath maintenance

ACTION – DR to talk to Revd. John Reeve as above.

ACTION – DR to talk to HCC Countryside Access Service about such a scheme.

9. Discussion of other matters relating to the Aims and Responsibilities of the Five Year Plan Advisory Committee.

DR reported that a bid application for CIL funds had been submitted to NFDC re the "Village Gates". JR asked if work on the first set (east of the Haywain crossroad) could be progressed ahead of an outcome on the bid. DR confirmed that this was possible and would arrange to refresh the previous quotes with a view to presenting a report to Council for approval.

JR spoke about the need to get the Community Resilience Planning underway. It was agreed to hold an informal "working party" discussion on March 20th to brainstorm some initial ideas and a possible way forward.

10. Agree date for next meeting

Thursday April 24th 2025, 12pm

Meeting closed at 12.52pm

Copythorne Parish Council – Five Year Plan AC Meeting – January 9th 2025

Item 3 – Review of notes of previous meeting (October 3rd 2024)

A meeting of the Five Year Plan Advisory Committee was held via Zoom Video Conference on Thursday October 3rd 2024 starting at 12pm.

Members of Advisory Committee present:

Voting:- Cllrs Jackie Rhodes; Graham Chillcott; Sylvia Wiggins; Sherri Johnstone

Non Voting:- Mr. David Rigby – Clerk and RFO

A G E N D A (with DRAFT notes of discussion)

1. Apologies for absence.

None

2. Declarations of Interest.

None

3. Review of notes of previous meeting (July 18th 2024)

All voting members present at the last meeting were happy that the notes of the meeting held on July 18th 2024 accurately reflected the discussions.

4. Update on Parish Environmental Activities (JR/SJ)

SJ reported that the Plastics Free Copythorne Amnesty Day for Single Use Plastics is going ahead on Saturday October 12th outside the Parish Hall. Still looking for one more business to join. Need more community groups to “sign up”.

JR reported that Greening Copythorne is continuing to work on Splitwind Pond. The Parish Lengthsman will be spending a day at the pond in the next few weeks. Beautifying the parish is ongoing. The group is entering a tree in the Parish Hall Christmas Tree event.

5. Update on Telephone Boxes Project (GC)

GC advised that only issue to replace replacement of the newsletter holder in one of the boxes.

6. Parish Design Statement (SJ)

SJ gave an update. Steering Group held first meeting on September 17th 2024, Draft version of ideas shared with members. David Illsley (Policy and Conservation Manager) attended on behalf of the New Forest National Park Authority. He seemed broadly supportive of the work undertaken so far, including the inclusion of matters such as environmental issues; street characteristics specific to the parish; variety of housing types; rural feel. GC said he was pleased that project was finally underway. Next step is to re-draft the working document and for GC & DR to review. Next meeting to be in early 2025. DI confirmed that NFNPA would cover cost of “surveying” residents.

7. Review of other 2024/26 priorities

Review completed and spreadsheet updated.

- 8. Discussion of other matters relating to the Aims and Responsibilities of the Five Year Plan Advisory Committee.**

None

- 9. Agree date for next meeting**

Thursday January 9th 2025, 12pm (provisional)

Meeting closed at 12.59pm

COPYTHORNE PC - FIVE YEAR PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE - JANUARY 9TH 2025

Item 8 - Five Year Plan - Project Initiatives (as updated 9th January 2025)

Date	2024			2025				2026			
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Environment Climate change, Hampshire Hedge											
Environment Splitwind Pond, Greening											
Environment Plastic Free Copythorne											
PDS restart											
Village Gates Project											
Beauification of Parish (flowers etc)											
Improve Communications with Residents											
Monitoring Flooding ?											
Invite Bartley Young People to APM											
Invite Community Groups to Meetings (inc Farmers)											
Update Transport Leaflet Yearly											
Footpath Upkeep (engagement with community)											
Training Sessions for Defibs											
Use of Halls, Churches, Shops, Businesses											
Monitor Affordable Housing											

Key

BOLD = Agreed

Light = Considered

Graham Chillcott 3rd Oct 2024

David Rigby 9th Jan 2025