

**OWSLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
10th February 2020
COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM IN OWSLEBURY PARISH HALL**

PRESENT.

Parish Councillor John Chapman (Chair).
Parish Councillors: Roger Page, Paul Bowes, Paul Phillips, Mark Egerton, Charlotte Thompson

IN ATTENDANCE.

Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) Juanita Madgwick
District Councillor Laurence Ruffell (Left after item 7/20)
District Councillor Hugh Lumby (Left after item 7/20)
County Councillor Rob Humby (Left after item 8/20)

6 members of the public were present and left at various times during the meeting.

1/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Parish Councillor Will Martin

2/20 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS.

Councillor Thompson declared an interest in agenda item 10 Possible Closure of Fiar Oak Library.

3/20 APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Councillors noted their acceptance of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January 2020, and the Council **Resolved**, unanimously, they were a true record.

4/20 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS.

a) Planning Applications

Shepherds Hut

The planning applicant gave the Parish Council the Natural England report at the beginning of the meeting.

A member of the public wished to discuss the current Ecology report from the planning application. They wanted to know how the Ecologist could not have not seen anything except the Badgers Sett. They couldn't understand why no newt, door mouse or Bat survey was included in the Ecology report due to the fact that a 'pond;' was near the field. They felt that the report was not fit for purpose. The member of the public stated that the Badgers Sett had not been recorded on the Badgers Sett website. The Ecologist had also not found the second Badgers Sett on the site.

Another member of the public noted that the 1st planning application was refused due to the road and disturbance of the Badgers Sett, however the 2nd application the road access was removed and now to access the site people would need to walk over the Badgers Sett. The member of the public noted that 3rd application Ecology report is not based on walking over the Badgers Sett to access the site.

The applicant noted that WCC had directly walked the footpath and evaluated it.

Another member of the public was concerned on how to monitor how people will be dropped off when they arrive as there is no parking as the Morestead Road is very dangerous road.

Action:	By Whom:
Check why Badgers Sett has not been recorded on the website	The Clerk

5/20 CSO & NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There was no Neighbourhood Report.

The Council had met with the new CSO before the meeting to discuss how he would be best used in the village.

6/20 County and District Councillors Reports.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

The County Councillor noted that HCC has responded to road safety concerns at the Longwood Road crossroads. HCC have sent safety officers out to the site to evaluate it.

Action:	By Whom:
To put out on the OIS that the problem has been raised by Cheriton PC with HCC and response	The Clerk

The County Councillor noted that there had been over 500 incidents reported over the weekend due to storm Cira. HCC had responded incredibly well, most of the roads were re-opened in a short space of time after the incident. There is now lots of debris to clear. Which HH will do shortly as clearing the roads were priority.

The County Councillor noted that he had lobbied for an extra £5million for operation reliance.

Hampshire Highways is investing now for the future of climate change; they are investing £2 million into climate change and are currently putting together an action plan for this in view of working towards becoming carbon neutral in 2050.

The County Councillor noted that MP's had held surgery's with a good up take. 10 MP's from Hampshire attended. It was noted that Hampshire has the 2nd lowest Council Tax in the country but are still on of the highest performing.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

District Councillor Ruffell commented on the district Councillor Report (Appendix 1), which had been circulated to councillors before the meeting.

District Councillor Lumby noted that they had pre-sight of the new budget and there will be a 3% increase in Council Tax. Also Parking charges will be introduced on Sundays and evenings in Winchester.

The green waste bags are being scrapped and all residents can opt for a bin instead, however there will be a yearly charge for garden waste to be collected.

There will be a 3% increase in council housing rents.

A Councillor asked if the community glass collection bins will stay?? Councillor Lumby noted that they will stay for now but collections will be less frequent.

Councillor Thompson noted that there was broken glass all around the glass collection in Beech Grove which has not been cleared after the last bin collection.

Action:	By Whom:
To get WCC to clear up the broken glass around the community glass collection bin.	The Clerk

7/20 PLANNING

a) Planning Applications

SDNP/19/03493/FUL	Land to The rear of Bottom Pond Cottages Morestead Hill Morestead SO21 1JE
Proposal:	Change of use of agriculture field to site 1 No shepherd hut.
PC Comment:	<p>The Parish Council Resolved, unanimously to ask the planning department to take planning application: SDNP/19/03493/FUL to the planning committee on the following planning concerns:</p> <p>Traffic/ Highway: As there is no parking for the users of the Hut the Parish Council is concerned about how the holiday makers will arrive at the site as there is no safe place to stop on the Morestead Road. Should a Taxi stop in the access point to the field on the Morestead Road there is limited visibility for drivers coming out of the access point as well as slowing down to turn into the access point because of the speed of the drivers using the road. Also there was a very serious accident within 50 yards of the entrance there a couple of months ago.</p> <p>Ecology: The Parish Council would like to draw the planners' attention to the Ecology report as it does not appear to reflect the change in access to the site, which is now via a footpath which is in close proximity to a Badgers Sett.</p> <p>There seems to be 2 opposing reports (1 from the applicant & 1 from the neighbours) The Parish Council would like the planning department to appoint an independent expert to evaluate the ecology status given these 2 reports and it would like to be consulted in this process so that it can support the outcome.</p>

SDNP/20/00134/DCOND	Marwell House Whaddon Lane Owslebury SO21 1JF
Proposal:	Discharge of conditions 3, 4 and 5 of approved planning consents SDNP/19/01447/LIS, SDNP/19/01446/HOUS
PC Comment:	No Comment

b) Planning Decisions

SDNP/19/06055/OHL	Rowhay Farm Roughay Lane Upham Hampshire SO32 1JP
Proposal:	Install fixed line broadband electronic communications apparatus
Decision:	Raise No Objection

SDNP/19/05658/HOUS	Bressay Main Road Owslebury SO21 1LN
Proposal:	Two storey side extension over garage and associated alterations
Decision:	Approved

SDNP/19/04879/FUL	Owslebury Baybridge Water Supply Reservoir and Water Booster Station Belmore Lane Owslebury Hampshire
Proposal:	Installation of a replacement equipment kiosk
Decision:	Approved

SDNP/19/04103/HOUS	The Long House Main Road Owslebury SO21 1LU
Proposal:	Detached Garage/Workshop
Decision:	Approved

SDNP/19/02508/FUL	Hurst Farm Hurst Lane Owslebury SO21 1JQ
Proposal:	Erection of an equestrian barn and construction of manege
Decision:	Refused

SDNP/1906160/CND	Matterley Farm Alresford Road Ovington Alresford Hampshire SO24 0HU
Proposal:	Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Consent SDNP/18/06249/FUL.
Decision:	Temporary Decision

PLANNING APPEALS:

SDNP/19/01763/CND	Boxwood, Baybridge Lane, Owslebury, Hampshire, SO21 1FT
Proposal:	Removal or Variation of Condition 3 of approved planning
Decision:	Appeal
PC Comment:	The PC will continue to object they haven't changed their concerns

8/20 HIGHWAYS

a) Traffic Mirror

It was decided that further discussion was needed on this subject.

b) Parking at the Roundabout Near the Ship

It was noted that this does not seem to be much of an issue now; it could become more of a problem over the summer.

It was noted that the PC should use the help of the CSO to help with this problem where residents use the roundabout to park when they frequent the pub.

The County Councillor noted that the PC should contact WCC if they need help.

Action:	By Whom:
To contact WCC regarding the parking problem at the Ship Inn	The Clerk

c) General Matters

The Clerk noted that the Speed Indicator Sign is arriving on Monday 17th Feb.

9/20 PARISH HALL

The Chairman noted that the steering committee had a meeting on Tuesday 11th Feb. There had been good progress made in transferring the Trusteeship to the Parish Council.

10/20 POSSIBLE CLOUSURE OF FAIR OAK LIBRARY

After some discussion the Parish Council **Resolved** unanimously to send a letter to the Library Service to object to the possible closure of Fair Oak Library.

Action:	By Whom:
To write to the Library Service to object to the closure of Fair Oak Library	The Clerk

11/20 SOUTHERN PARISHES

Councillor Phillips updated the PC on the last Southern Parishes meeting that he had attended. The minutes had been circulated before the meeting (See Appendix 2). Councillor Phillips noted that Bishops Waltham had left the group but 2 new parishes had joined the group. Councillor Phillips noted that enforcement from WCC were attending the meeting.

12/20 RIGHTS OF WAY

a) Red Lane

The Chairman noted that he and Councillor Page, Phillips, Bowes & Egerton had visited the site with a ranger from Hampshire Countryside. The meeting went well although there were several points that Hampshire Countryside raised. Notably the PC should have gained consent from Hampshire Highways & SDNP Planning department to carry out these works.

The PC was not aware that this consent was needed therefore have asked the Clerk to investigate further.

Action:	By Whom:
To contact the Planning department & Hampshire Highways on the steps that need to be followed to re-surface Red Lane.	The Clerk

b) Pitcot Lane

The Chairman noted that he and Councillor Page, Phillips, Bowes & Egerton had visited the site with a ranger from Hampshire Countryside. Hampshire Countryside felt that the Lane was in an acceptable state.

The PC felt that they should contact the landowner and ask if they would like the PC to help them finish the work.

Action:	By Whom:
To contact the Landowner of Pitcot Lane	Cllr Phillips

c) Footpath 21

Councillor Egerton noted that discussions had started with the Landowner in removing the barrier and replacing it with either a kissing gate or stile.

d) General Matters

i. Marwell bridleway

Councillor Egerton noted that he has discussed with the Landowner in installing a post to stop any vehicles driving up the bridleway. The Landowner was happy with this and would be happy to pay for half the cost of the post.

Action:	By Whom:
Find quotes for posts	The Clerk

13/20 OPEN SPACES, RECREATION AND PLAYGROUND

a) Litter Pick

It was **Resolved** unanimously to hold the litter pick on Sunday 29th March 2020.

b) General Matters

i) Playground Flooring

Councillor Thompson noted that on her last playground inspection that there was a hole in the new wetpour that had been laid under the swings. The Council asked the Clerk to contact AVA Recreation to fix.

Action:	By Whom:
To contact AVA regarding the hole in the wetpour	The Clerk

ii) Colden Common Football Club

Councillor Egerton noted that Colden Common football club were still interest in using the sports field. He noted that they would like to put up collapsible fencing when using the football pitch. The Council **Resolved** unanimously to allow the football club to use collapsible fencing when using the pitch.

14/20 FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND STATUTORY MATTERS

a) Payments & Receipts

The Council **Resolved** unanimously to approve the following payments and authorised the Chairman, Councillor Phillips or Councillor Martin to authorise the electronic payments as necessary.

Payments:

PAYMENTS	Amount (£)	Payee
105	16.87	1&1 Internet (Extended Support) Invoice No. 203020112763
106	165.00	WCC Dog Bin (Oct - Dec 19)
107	60.00	Fire Resistant Box
108	56.99	2TB Hard Drive
109	90.00	Parish online
110	30.15	OPH Hall Hire Jan 20
111	380.00	Clerks Salary Dec 19
112	95.20	HMRC
113	13.50	Clerks Expenses Dec 19
114	7.21	SEE (Street Lights)

Receipts:

Voucher	Amount (£)	Payee
RECEIPTS		
60	300.00	Donation (For Use of Glebe Field for Wedding)
61	0.04	Interest Business banking account
62	300.00	Deposit Interest
63	15.00	Penni Harrison Use of Playground

b) Review of Publications Scheme

The Council **Resolved**, unanimously, to re-confirm the Publications Scheme and asked the Clerk place a copy of the website.

c) General Matters

The Clerk noted that she had sent out an email noting that the Fixed Term Deposit had matured at the end of January and had been reinvested it into another Fixed Term Deposit for another year.

15/20 CLERKS REPORT

The Council noted the Clerk's report (Appendix 3).

16/20 INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

The Clerk noted that April's meeting was due on 13th April (Easter Monday) so is was **Resolved** to move the meeting to Monday 6th April.

17/20 DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The Council agreed the next Council Meeting would be on Monday 9th March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room.

The meeting closed at 10:00pm

Chairman: JC

Date: 09/03/20

February Report 2020

Winchester air quality improving but council 'not complacent'

Air quality is improving in Winchester according to a new report by the city council.

Data shows that more areas of central Winchester are now meeting national standards for nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), an environmental pollutant. Several of the main routes into and out of Winchester's city centre, such as Andover Road, Chesil Street, St Cross Road and Alresford Road, which have historically exceeded legal limits for NO₂, are now showing compliance according to monitoring across 2019.

These locations are part of the city centre's 'Air Quality Management Area' meaning they are subject to an action plan to achieve reductions in air pollution levels to meet national targets. There is a general reduction in NO₂ across the designated area, and further parts of the zone are expected to show compliance by 2021 if trends continue.

The council has implemented a range of measures to deliver air quality improvements at the NO₂ hotspots across the city, including introducing Park & Ride sites, car parking pricing zones, the development of air quality focused planning standards and sustainable transport strategies. Levels of NO₂ are also improving due to the adoption of cleaner engine technology.

Winchester City Council has a target to be carbon neutral as an organisation by 2024 and for the district to be carbon neutral by 2030. Transport is a significant contributor to the current levels of carbon emissions.

Volunteers help Winchester City Council to plant hundreds of trees in Waterlooville

Green fingered volunteers have planted hundreds of new trees in Waterlooville as part of Winchester City Council's pledge to improve the environment and tackle the climate emergency.

Armed with spades, forks and shovels more than 30 volunteers gathered at Newlands Walk Open Space in Waterlooville for a community tree planting event. A total of 342 trees were planted over two days (Friday 31 January and Saturday 1 February), including 42 new trees and 300 infant trees. The new trees include a range of varieties such as oak, sweet chestnut, birch and hornbeam.

Winchester City Council has pledged to plant hundreds more trees across the district as part of its Carbon Neutrality Action Plan. Trees provide a range of environment benefits and absorb carbon emissions as they grow.

We hope that this first tree planting for climate change in the Winchester district will be the start of a rise of positive action to combat climate change locally.

Bin collection improvements pledged with new household waste contract

Greener bin Lorries and a new household service to collect small electrical equipment for recycling have been announced by Winchester City Council as part of the new contract for household bin collections.

Waste contractor Biffa will continue to provide the waste collection service with a bid that provided best value for money along with including a package of service improvements. Biffa were selected following a competitive tender process where bidders were ranked on quality and price for a new eight year contract to start in September 2020.

Included in the new contract:- A new free household collection of small electrical items such as unwanted toasters, kettles or clocks for recycling.

The new vehicle fleet will replace older Lorries with Euro6 compliant vehicles which emit lower levels of harmful exhaust pollutants, helping to reduce carbon emissions and deliver cleaner air..

Bin Lorries will have new technology on board that will provide real-time information to alert the depot to issues and improve collection rates (check) and support ongoing improvements to collection reliability. The council is committed to working with Biffa to ensure household waste collections and the new glass collection service are carried out on time across the district, and to reduce the number of missed bins. Performance of the current service is improving month-on-month with issues are identified and tracked on a daily basis to help resolve problems quickly.

Biffa won the new contract after a rigorous tender process that ranked bidders by value and quality standards. Under the new contract, routes will be covered by staff who already know the area well. It will provide an enhanced service, including a new recycling collection for small electric items, and the use of greener vehicles in line with our goals to reduce carbon emissions

Collections will not change – with an alternate weekly collection of household waste and recycling. Kerbside glass recycling collection is monthly and there is a fortnightly garden waste collection.

Hugh Lumby Laurence Ruffell



Southern Parishes Group

MEETING OF SOUTHERN PARISHES GROUP

**Monday 3rd February, 2020 at 2.00 p.m
Durley Memorial Hall, Durley**

Present

Cllr Kevin Andreoli	Denmead PC
Cllr Eric Bodger	Curdridge PC
Cllr Charles	Shedfield PC
Ms Anne Collins	Durley PC & Upham PC
Cllr Crichton	Newlands PC
Tony Daniels	Newlands PC
Cllr Delmege	Durley PC
Cllr Mike Evans	Whiteley TC
Cllr Francis-Goulds	Shedfield PC
Cllr Phillips	Owslebury PC
Cllr Lorraine Rappe	Wickham PC
Cllr Jon Woodman	Swanmore PC

1. Welcome & Apologies:

Apologies were received from:

Cllr Croucher	Upham PC
Cllr Wilson	Bishops Waltham PC
Mr Geoff Wright	Boarhunt PC

2. Appointment of Chair

Cllr Woodman proposed Cllr Bodger and Cllr Phillips seconded this proposal. Cllr Bodger was duly Elected and took the Meeting.

Anne Collins kindly agreed to act as Secretary until a permanent appointment could be made.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the December Meeting

There were a few minor amendments which needed to be made. Once these have been corrected Cllr Bodger will sign these Minutes as a correct record of the Meeting.

4. Matters Arising from the last Meeting:

Cllr Evans is arranging a Meeting with Julie Pinnock, Barbara Holyome and Dawn Hamblet to find a way to enhance co-operation between Parish Councils and WCC Officers. Cllr Evans is writing a report which he is hoping to be able to circulate for our next Meeting.

Cllr Evans will ask Julie Pinnock about WCC Enforcement Policy and how to make it workable. There is no point in putting Conditions on Planning Approvals if they cannot be enforced. Cllr Evans will suggest that David Townsend – Head of Enforcement comes to a Southern Parishes Meeting to discuss and answer questions on enforcement.

A letter was sent to Southwick PC and as there has been no response it was agreed that Newlands PC would approach his contacts there to ask if they would be interested in joining the Southern Parishes Group.

Cllr Phillips said that the Eastleigh Borough Council Local Plan Inspector's Hearing has been completed and they are now awaiting the outcome. This should be around 3 to 4 months for a result.

Cllr Evans reported that he had spoken to Dawn Hamblet about the Rural Services Network information being circulated to Parish Councils.

5. Group Objectives and Membership

It was felt that the aims of the group enumerated in the Constitution remain appropriate.

It was agreed that Cllr Bodger would write to Lindsay at BW to encourage BW to remain part of the Southern Parishes Group. Members hoped that they would continue, as BW is a valuable asset to the Group.

6. Review Constitution

The Group agreed that the Constitution should remain unchanged for the moment, apart from adding in Newlands PC. The fundamental principles of the Group have not changed, but we could review the document at a future Meeting if required.

7. Group Administration

The Group agreed that Anne Collins would take the Minutes of the Meetings until such time as other arrangements could be made. This could perhaps be a paid role in the future if it was felt appropriate. It was agreed to write to other parishes who might like to join the Group.

Cllr Bodger would put together a list of District Councillors as they could then be sent the Minutes to keep them informed of discussions and decisions made by the Group.

Cllr Woodman offered to make a list of Parish Councils in the southern parishes who might like to join our Group. Offers of Meeting rooms at Denmead, Knowle, Owslebury, Shedfield and Durley were received.

8. Continuing Issues of Interest.

- a) Cllr Rappe updated members on the verge cutting after a Meeting at WCC. It seems that WCC's focus was in Winchester at the moment, so it was agreed that if parishes were interested, they should contact WCC direct. We should share information and it was agreed that this would be an Agenda item for the next Meeting. Perhaps a roll-out programme could be instigated with interested parishes.
- b) Enforcement. Cllr Charles said that Enforcement Officers are only available from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on weekdays and there should be an on-call officer for weekends and evenings for parish councils to contact them. It was agreed to ask David Townsend (Head of Enforcement) to come along to our next Meeting. Cllr Evans reported that we have heard nothing more about the new Enforcement document from WCC. Cllr Evans will take this back to a Meeting.

9. Emergency Plans for Parishes

Most parishes appear to have an Emergency Plan in place. It was agreed that Cllr Evans would send the Whiteley Emergency Plan to Cllr Bodger so that it could be circulated.

10.Update from HALC

Cllr Evans gave an update on Officers at HALC, finance and training. He also said that parishes should be made aware of the exit figure for the LGPS Pension Scheme if employees leave the scheme – this can have a severe impact on Council finances. Cllr Evans also updated the Group on HCC and the good relationship with County Councillor (Deputy Leader) Rob Humby. It was agreed that Cllr Evans should ask CC Humby to our Group Meeting.

11.Speakers for Future Meetings

It was agreed to ask David Townsend (Enforcement), Neil Cutler (Councillor who is responsible for the Southern parishes), Rob Humby (HCC Deputy Leader, and Portfolio Holder for Transport).

12.Date of Next Meeting – Monday 6 April 2020

It was agreed that the next Meeting should be on Monday 6 April 2020 at 2.00 p.m. in Newlands Community Hall, Waterlooville.

13.There being no further business the Chair closed the Meeting at 15.54

Action Plan

Matters to follow up from Meeting held 3 February, 2020			
Subject	Action	Action by	Completion/Notes
Meeting with JP/BH & DH re better co-operation with WCC	Contact Julie Pinnock	Mike Evans	April, 2020
Update on Enforcement Policy Document	Cllr Evans to contact Julie Pinnock	Mike Evans	April, 2020
Southwick PC	Ask if they would like to join Group	David Crichton	April, 2020
Member of Southern Parishes Group	Ask BW if they wish to remain a member	Eric Bodger	April, 2020
Other Parishes joining Group	Make a List of Parish Councils who might be interested. Write to Parish Councils who might wish to join	Jon Woodman Eric Bodger	April, 2020 April, 2020
District Councillors	Make a list of District Councillors who will be copied into Minutes.	Eric Bodger	April, 2020
Verge cutting initiatives for a roll-out programme	Interest from Parish Councils	All PC's	April, 2020
Emergency Plans	Send on Whiteley Emergency Plan to Cllr Bodger for distribution	Mike Evans	February, 2020
Speakers for future Meetings	David Townsend Neil Cutler Rob Humby	Eric Bodger & Mike Evans	April, 2020

Appendix 3

Clerks Report

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council to consider other transport options. • Council to consider transport from Twyford to Owslebury 	Clerk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting outcome of HCC review 	On Hold

Action: Positioning of signs.	By Whom:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to discuss with HH positioning of signs at Longwood Road junction and Portsmouth/Hurst Lane. 	Clerk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampshire Highways to move signs in January 2020 	

Action: HGV signage	By Whom:
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors/Clerk to consider need/cost re better signage to local businesses. • Councillors/ Clerk to consider better signage at Whites Hill and Jackmans Hill 	Clerk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampshire Highways has put up sign at the end of Pitcot lane for all HGV's to turn Right. 	