



**MINUTES OF PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
CURDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7 PM, ON THURSDAY, 1 FEBRUARY
2018 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM AT THE READING ROOMS, CURDRIDGE**

Present:

Cllr Kevan Bundell (Chairman)
Cllr Eric Bodger (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Joanne Furby
Cllr Rory Kemp
Cllr Lynne Newton
Cllr Sian Townsend (arrived for item 18.4)

In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Council Manager - PCM)
Cllr Roger Bentote (District Councillor)
2 members of the public

Public Session

Marianne Small provided Council with some notes setting out her objections to the proposed development application for 4-6 houses in Gordon Road (Item 18.7.2 on Agenda). She advised of her objections (which included the land forming part of a flood plain; habitat/ecological, as this site has badgers, bats and crested newts, as well as other nature and over-development, traffic and parking issues. She said three previous applications to develop this site had been turned down by WCC due to various reasons. The Chair thanked Marianne Small for her notes, which he said would be kept by Council, to be referred to should a new Planning Application be received for this site.

P18.1 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Wallin and Cllrs Achwal and Huxstep. Cllr Townsend would be delayed.

P18.2 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Bundell and Furby declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 18.7.3.

P18.3 To approve the Planning, Highways & Licensing Minutes of 7 December 2017

Resolved to approved the Minutes of 7 December, as drafted, for signing. ACTION: CHAIR.

P18.4 Planning Applications received from Winchester City Council, Eastleigh Borough Council, Hampshire County Council or the River Hamble Harbour Authority for decision/response

Cllr Townsend arrived.

P18.4.1 Botley Service Station, Station Hill, Curdridge, SO30 2DN – InstaVolt are proposing to install two rapid electric vehicle charging stations within the grounds of Botley Service Station, Southampton. Existing space will become two EV charging bays, along with associated equipment. Case Officer: Nicola Clayton. Case No: 17/03185/FUL.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT and to support this application. ACTION: PCM.

P18.4.2 Landing Place Botley Road Curbridge SO30 2HB - Removal of standing seam roof and omission of front entrance ground & first floor extension from original application ref:17/02343/HOU. Addition of roof lights and windows to rear elevation. Raising of eaves to existing garages. Case Officer: Nicola Clayton. Case No: 18/00117/HOU.
Cllr Bundell introduced this item.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT, subject to the increased height and visibility of the proposed new roofline not impacting on the River Hamble and National Trust land adjacent to this property. ACTION: PCM.

P18.5 Planning Decisions notified by Winchester City Council/HCC - to be noted
There were no new planning decisions over this period.

P.18.6 To consider Curdridge Parish Council's highways projects priorities for next financial year/budget.

Members discussed possible projects, noting that Council's ear-marked funds for highways improvements were very limited:-

- i) **Council would not pursue having a traffic island at the junction of the Plantation with the B3035, as HCC had previously advised this would not be feasible due to width restrictions.**
- ii) **A334 (Kitnocks Hill)- Council will approach HCC once again to reduce the speed limit from 50 mph to 40 mph, due to the number of road traffic accidents that have occurred, the increased property numbers and accesses onto Kitnocks Hill and concerns raised by the public. Council would like to know whether this is something that HCC would reconsider doing, if Council were able to make a financial contribution? ACTION: PCM.**
- iii) **Crossing refuge Station Hill (from caravan park, footpath and pub) – Councillor Bentote will again remind HCC/WCC that they had agreed to consider installing a refuge. Council would remind HCC that they were to investigate a speed reduction from 40 mph to 30 mph on Station Hill.**
- iv) **Lockhams Road/Chapel Lane – Cllrs Kemp and Townsend will carry out a site visit and take photographs, in order that Council could request HCC to consider installing a safety mirror to assist traffic coming along Chapel Lane (from Kitnocks Hill) onto Lockhams Road and closing the SW extension of Chapel Lane from the A334, owing to the number of accidents associated with traffic using Lockhams Road/Chapel Lane as through roads.**
- v) **Lockhams Road – Council will write to HCC to enquire whether it would be feasible (subject to landowners' approval) to lower the height and level the verges along Lockhams Road to form a more suitable walking surface and safety refuge for pedestrians from the constant, speeding traffic using Lockhams Road as a through road, as HCC has previously refused to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph. PCM to report back HCC's response to Council, in order to consider further action required.**
- vi) **A334 junction with the B3035 at Station Hill – this has been identified as an accident black spot; Council will write to HCC to establish what improvements could be made to this junction, if Council is prepared to make a financial contribution to junction improvements ACTION: PCM.**
- vii) **Curdridge Lane Bus Stop – Council will request an update from Cllr Huxstep, following George Hollingbery MP's suggestion that Cllr Huxstep recommends to HCC that their contribution relates specifically to the Curdridge section of this bus route, to enable HCC to specify which route the bus uses. Council will also request the District and County Councillors to continue to pursue this item, as the new bus stop on Curdridge Lane is extremely dangerous. ACTION: PCM.**

P18.7 Correspondence

18.7.1 Winchester City Council - Public Consultation on Traveller Development Plan Document. The Traveller Plan, together with the Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) and the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA), is available for comment for a period of 6 weeks from **15th January until midnight Monday 26 February 2018**, these documents can be viewed on the City Council's website – <http://www.winchester.gov.uk/planning-policy/traveller-dpd>.

Noted.

18.7.2 DRK Planning on behalf of a local housing developer who is looking at developing a site in Gordon Road in Curdrige for 4-6 new homes, whether the Parish Council has a local need for more housing in this area and if so, the sort of housing scheme that the Parish Council might support.

Council would write to DRK Planning to advise that it understood that HARA had previously approached the landowner to consider this land for low cost affordable housing, as Curdrige was identified as having a shortfall, but the landowner had declined. ACTION: PCM.

18.7.3 Wessex Planning on behalf of a client living within the parish who owns a parcel of land which is surplus to requirements. They have some ideas for the potential future of this land, but would like to work in partnership with the Parish to talk through some options and any Parish preferences.

Council advised the landowner that there is a shortfall of low cost/affordable and smaller housing within Curdrige to enable younger residents to remain in the village and elderly residents wishing to down-size to do so. Council advised it would not like to see this site heavily developed. The landowner advised that he would take this into consideration if/when developing any future plans for his site. He would also like to include open space and elderly accommodation.

18.7.4 Strategic Road Network Public Consultation - Shaping the Future of England's Strategic Roads. The consultation is open until 11.45pm on Wednesday 7th February 2018. **Noted; Cllr Bodger will respond to this consultation.**

18.7.5 Cromer Town Council in Norfolk, supported by the National Association of Local Councils (NALC), would like to submit a proposal under the Sustainable Communities Act for legislation changes to be made to enable better funding for services provided to permanent residents in areas with a particularly high proportion of second homes and holiday homes. This is in response to concerns about the problems with second homes, both locally and nationally, and their impact upon residents. The survey link is <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ZJNSWPY> Comments are required by 7th February 2018. **Noted; Cllr Bodger had already responded to this consultation.**

P18.8 Parish Council Manager's action update report for noting (previously circulated to Members) **Noted; Cllr Bundell advised that he had spoken to John Clements about the village gate at Silverlake; John was going to see if he could widen this gate and would advise Cllr Bundell.**

P18.9 Councillors' Reports (on Planning, Highways & Licensing matters)

Allotment Recreation Car Park – Cllr Newton requested Members to continue to monitor the number of cars using this car park (for Botley Station), as the car park was full to capacity on some occasions and recreation/allotment users were unable to park.

Outlands Lane – Cllr Bundell requested the PCM to arrange a site meeting between him and Kali from HCC Highways to discuss issues with uncut hedges and verges at the turning head in Outlands Lane and in front of Windemere on the B3051. **ACTION: PCM.**

HCC Grass Cutting Schedule - Members asked the PCM to obtain a copy of HCC's grass cutting schedule for Curdrige if possible. **ACTION: PCM.**

P18.10 To move Exempt Business

To consider passing a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of the following items of business on the grounds that it is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act

P18.10.1 Planning Enforcement – New Cases Arising and Updates

There were no new matters arising.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.