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MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER 2022 IN THE BILLIARD ROOM AT CURDRIDGE READING ROOM CURDRIDGE

Present:

Cllr Eric Bodger (Chairman)

Cllr Larry Burden

Cllr Jonathan Carkeet

Cllr Paul Haskins

Cllr Philip Hedger

Cllr Lynne Newton

In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Council Manager - PCM)

Cllr Hugh Lumby (County Councillor)

Cllr Vivian Achwal (District Councillor)

8 members of the public

Public Session

22.293 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Sian Townsend.

22.294 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hedger declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 22.297.1.

Cllr Burden declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 22.299.3.

22.295 To receive reports from the County Councillor, District Councillors and Hampshire Constabulary Representative, if applicable (usually given at the end of each month)

Hampshire County Councillor report December 2022

- 1. HCC reorganisation Hampshire County Council is carrying out an internal reorganisation, with some changes in its senior leadership. This has necessitated a change in responsibilities of the Council's Cabinet. With effect from 1 January 2023, there will now be as follows: Adults' Health and Care Cllr Liz Fairhurst (lead member) and Cllr Jan Warwick Children's Services Cllr Edward Heron (lead member) and Cllr Steve Forster Universal Services Cllr Nick Adams-King (lead member) and Cllr Russell Oppenheimer Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Cllr Rob Humby (leader) and Cllr Rob Chadd (deputy leader) Cllr Kirsty North will continue as Cabinet Member for HR, Performance, Communications and Inclusion and Diversity.
- 2. Leader calls on Government to address local government underfunding Rob Humby, the leader of Hampshire County Council has called on the Government to take urgent action to address the looming financial crisis facing upper tier local government over the next few years. In a letter sent to the Prime Minister, Chancellor and Secretary of State, Councillor Humby, and Kent County Council Leader, Councillor Roger Gough, have outlined the drastic budget implications facing the two authorities, and the need for Government's immediate help and a clear plan for long-term financial sustainability, if the two County Councils are to avoid filing bankruptcy notices within the next year or so. Councillor Humby commented that "both Hampshire and Kent are high-performing, financially well-run and long respected County

Councils. However, we face budget deficits over the next few years of a scale that has never been seen before – but not of our own doing. Our budgets are now at breaking point. We have gone as far as we can to close the budget gaps we have faced to date, and there is nowhere left to go in future without severely impacting some of the most vulnerable people in our society." The two leaders have asked the Government to put local councils on a long-term sustainable financial footing. Their request includes more annual funding to keep up with growing demand for adults and children's social care services or legislative changes to reduce the demands on these services; fully funding the social care funding reforms and more money for growth in special educational needs; as well as greater freedom and flexibility around setting council tax and charging for services, alongside legislative changes to help local government help itself.

- 3. Winter support Hampshire's most vulnerable residents will not be left out in the cold this winter, thanks to a range of measures to help people with the costs of food, fuel and other essentials. Using its latest round of Household Support Funding from the Department for Work and Pensions, Hampshire County Council will be investing more than £7 million in a wide variety of schemes and initiatives targeting households facing hardship, between now and March 2023. The initiatives will expand on what was offered in the previous funding round to include support for foster carers registered with the County Council, unpaid carers, care leavers, and people with disabilities. It will also widen the support available to reach out to those who may not be eligible for other assistance but are nevertheless in need. Details can be found by emailing connect4communities@hants.gov.uk or visiting the connect4communities website.
- 4. Minerals and Waste Plan update consultation Hampshire's five minerals and waste planning authorities are asking residents, local groups and businesses to help scrutinise proposed changes to Hampshire's Minerals and Waste Plan to ensure that it will continue to ensure provision of a steady and adequate supply of minerals and sufficient waste infrastructure, as well as maintain communities, protect the local environment and address the impacts of climate change. The consultation allows residents to comment on local sites that have been identified for minerals extraction and transportation. Sites for waste processing, recycling and disposal facilities are also indicated in the Plan so that the millions of tonnes of household and commercial waste generated across the county can be dealt with as efficiently and sustainably as possible. The proposed updated plan and the response form can be found at www.hants.gov.uk/ minerals-waste-update. The consultation will close at 17:00 hours on Tuesday 31 January 2023.
- 5. Boundary Commission review of constituencies The Boundary Commission for England have published their revised proposals for parliamentary constituency boundaries. A final public consultation has commenced which closes on 5 December 2022. The revised proposals and maps can be viewed here South East | Boundary Commission for England (independent.gov.uk) Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Councillor Hugh Lumby Meon Valley Division.

Councillor Achwal advised Members that she had prepared a written report which she had not had time to email to them. She would circulate her report by email shortly, but advised that it mainly updated on the North Whiteley Boundary Review second stage of public consultation which has a response deadline of 6 January 2023, to enable this item to go back to the Licensing Committee on 31 January 2022 and onward to Full Council in February 2023. She advised there is also cost of living grant funding available from Winchester City Council and the 28A bus serving North Whiteley now has an increased service. There is also an ongoing investigation regarding the new North Whiteley traffic lights onto Burridge Road, as there have been several accidents.

22.296 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 1 December 2022 Resolved to approve the Minutes of 1 December for signing. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.

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

<u>22.297.1</u> The Cricketers Inn Curdridge Lane Curdridge Hampshire SO32 2BH - Variation of Condition 2 (opening times) and removal of Condition 3 (external sound amplifying equipment) of application reference 22/00502/FUL for the approved timber garden building. Case Officer: Marge Ballinger. Case No: 22/02549/FUL.

Cllr Achwal left the room, as she is on the Licensing Committee that will consider this application.

Residents attended the meeting to reiterate their concerns/objections raised at the Full Council Meeting on 17 November last. Neighbours are concerned about the noise associated with the new outdoor pizza facility, as the pub landlords were not complying with the planning condition relating to the current hours of operation (and neighbours had obtained photographic evidence demonstrating its use outside of the permitted hours on several occasions). They are also concerned about Curdridge Lane being very dangerous when pub patrons park along one side of the road near to junctions. The Chair read out a letter from a resident who was unable to be at this meeting, but who supported the above objections. Marianne Small had also raised concerns with Members about the lack of drainage on site for the pizza facility.

The applicant's planning consultant explained that there are two elements to this application, the first to extend the operating hours of the pizza facility and the second to remove Condition 3 of the current Planning Permission. He said the applicant had met with local residents to discuss putting in place a complaints policy which will enable residents to raise concerns directly with the landlords.

The Chair clarified that the current Licence prohibits "Amplified Music" within the garden and so if this condition was removed the applicants would have to apply for a Temporary Licence for any outdoor amplified events. Residents felt this would not give them enough security as the Landlords have already been using the pizza facility outside of the operating hours approved. Members discussed this application and queried with Stuart (one of the Landlords) what operating hours would be acceptable for "amplified music" within the garden. Stuart said that they would never want to go later than 8pm outside.

Resolved that:

Removal of Planning Condition 3 – TO OBJECT to this Planning Condition being removed until Winchester City Council's Legal Department has ensured that the Licence for the Cricketers Pub will fully control the use of amplified music outside and verifies that the Applicants will be required to apply for a Temporary Licence for any outdoor events proposing to use amplified music (with a deadline of 8pm in accordance with the Landlord's confirmation to Council that any amplified events outside would not go past this time):

Variation of Condition 2 – TO OBJECT to Variation of Condition 2 until the Applicants submit a satisfactory noise management plan that is approved by the Environmental Health Department (as Council agrees with Winchester City Council's Environmental Health Department consultation response). Curdridge Parish Council would also like to see a deadline of 8pm applied to any amplified events permitted (as above). "ACTION: PCM.

<u>22.297.2</u> North Whiteley Urban Extension Botley Road Curbridge Hampshire - Reserved matters submission for electricity substation. The outline application was an EIA application, and an ES was submitted alongside that application. Case Officer: Simon Avery. Case No: 22/02672/REM.

Resolved to MAKE NO COMMENT.

<u>22.297.3</u> Burhlea Sherecroft Gardens Botley Hampshire SO30 2TP - Single storey side extension, two storey front extension, dormer and loft conversion over garage, new porch, new garden room. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 22/02695/LIS. Members discussed this application.

Resolved do not object. ACTION: PCM.

<u>22.297.4</u> - Oak Tree Cottage 5 Botley Road Curdridge Hampshire SO32 2DS - Proposed two storey side extension. Case Officer: Marge Ballinger. Case No: 22/02532/HOU. Members discussed this application.

Resolved do not object. ACTION: PCM.

22.298 Planning Decisions and Appeals notified by Winchester City Council/HCC - to be noted

22.298.1 North Whiteley Urban Extension Botley Road Curbridge Hampshire - Reserved Matters approval for access, appearance, layout, landscaping and scale. Proposed development comprising 482 homes including market _ affordable housing. This application also seeks to discharge conditions 7, 17 and 18 pursuant to the Outline Planning Permission (planning reference: 15/00485/OUT). Case Officer: Amy Winch. Case No:

22/01634/REM. *PERMITTED. Noted.*22.298.2 Midstrey Barn The Plantation Curdridge Hampshire SO32 2DT - Midstrey Barn was created by redevelopment of Bosky Dell (Ref No. 03/02619/FUL). Condition 12 restricted use of the garage to storage of bicycles and parking of cars. An expanded garage block for Midstrey Barn was approved under a minor amendment filed in April 2007 under reference 18436/01. The applicant took up residence in May 2007 with construction of the garage completed shortly after occupation. Since November 2007 to the present day, the garage has been used for storage and as a hobby workshop for bicycle maintenance, DIY construction projects and the construction of a private light aircraft from kit components, contrary to Condition 12. Case Officer: Legal. Case No: 22/02110/LDC. *PERMITTED. Noted.* 22.298.3 7 Skipper Road Curbridge Hampshire SO30 2YR - Ground floor single storey rear extension & loft conversion. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 22/01950/HOU. *PERMITTED. Noted.*

22.299 Finance

22.299.1 To approve Finance Report dated 15 December 2022 and cheque signing & payments.

Resolved to approve the Finance Report, cheque signing & payments, subject to the PCM re-circulating the report with the bank reconciliation included once the bank statement is received from Lloyds Bank. ACTION: PCM.

22.299.2 To discuss/approve the draft Budget 2023-2024 (received at previous meeting). Members noted the Budget, Budget Notes, Schedule of Ear-Marked Funds and Groundsman & Lengthsman Expenditure.

Members discussed the addition of £5,000 to the Schedule of Ear-Marked funds for the Cricketers Pond project. The PCM advised that she had added this amount following Council's proposal to renovate the pond. However, she strongly recommended that Council does not spend £4,000 (as quoted) on water and soil testing as HCC and the Environment Agency believe that the Cricketers Pond will not be overly polluted by road surface water drainage, as many public ponds have roads draining into them (an example given was Bishops Waltham Pond which has several roads draining into it and remains healthy).

Resolved that:

- i) Council will budget a sum of £42,851.00 to provide for the increased number of North Whiteley properties (587 @ £73) currently within Curdridge Parish, as requested by Whiteley Town Council;
- ii) Members will consider additions/revisions they would like incorporated into the budget prior to the next meeting to enable the draft Budget to be approved at Full Council on 5 January 2023. ACTION: ALL;
- iii) Cllr Carkeet will produce a detailed analysis for the Schedule of Earmarked Funds to enable Council to consider revisions/additions to this schedule (to include a sum to enable the preparation of a CPC Communication Strategy). ACTION: CLLR CARKEET.

22.299.3 Curdridge Reading Room Grant Application £6312.00 (urgent replacement boiler, 6x radiators and piping to enable Reading Room to remain open).

Resolved to make a grant donation in the sum of £6312.00. Council to notify the Reading Room Charity that a balance of £1188 ear-marked funding is still available for suitable projects to retain the Reading Room and enable it to continue to operate and serve the community. Cllr Burden abstained from voting. ACTION: PCM.

22.299.4 St Peter's Church Grant Application £450 (contribution towards parish magazine).

Resolved to make a grant donation in the sum of £450.00. ACTION: PCM. 22.299.5 Victim Support Grant Application £50.

Resolved to make a grant donation in the sum of £50.00. ACTION: PCM.

22.300 Correspondence

22.300.1 Winchester City Council – regarding approved street names and buildings; request for parish council to review schedule of names attached to email and advise if any suggestions. **Noted.**

22.300.2 Max Easton – notification of reduced planning scheme for the Gordon Road development and proposed submission of Planning Application. **Noted.**

22.300.3 Office of Police & Crime Commissioner – Newsletter November 2022. Noted.

22.300.4 Winchester City Council - Local Plan update. Noted.

22.300.5 Councillor Hugh Lumby – Botley Bypass works update. Noted.

22.300.6 WeCAN – December Newsletter. **Noted.**

22.300.7 Home Start – thank you for grant donation. **Noted.**

22.301 Parish Council Communication Strategy – to receive an update from Council working party and decide upon action required (if applicable)

The working party had circulated their recommendations to Members and would like the opportunity to discuss this in more detail with Members at the next Full Council Meeting, when Council will hopefully also approve a budget to enable the Communication Strategy to progress.

22.302 Reading Room Management – to receive an update and decide upon action (if required)

Jo White the Chair of the Trustees had provided an update; she is currently taking legal and professional advice to obtain the information requested by Council to enable it to consider the future management of the Reading Room. However, this information may not be provided to Council for some time, as the Trustees are currently having to focus their efforts on significantly increasing Reading Room income to bring it in line with expenditure to ensure the business remains viable. The PCM advised Jo that realistically Council would not be in a position to include any budget within its precept for Reading Room management until at least the 2024-2025 finance year, to enable Council to take legal and professional advice once Jo has provided the information requested.

22.303 To note Parish Clerk's Update Report (previously circulated to Members) – noted. 22.304 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Members had no new matters to report at the current time.

22.305 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

22.306 To receive WCC's update reports on Enforcement cases (if applicable) and decide upon any action required. Noted.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.35 PM.