

## Curdridge Parish Council

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**MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 18 MARCH 2021  
AS AN ONLINE ZOOM MEETING DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS  
LOCKDOWN**

### Present:

Cllr Eric Bodger (Chairman)

Cllr Steve Wallin (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Larry Burden

Cllr Rory Kemp

Cllr Lynne Newton

Cllr Sian Townsend

### In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Council Manager - PCM)

Cllr Roger Huxstep (County Councillor)

Cllr Vivian Achwal (District Councillor)

Cllr Roger Bentote (District Councillor)

### Public Session

Kevan Bundell wished to speak on item 21.75 below.

#### 21.66 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Caister.

#### 21.67 To receive Declarations of Interest

Members had a non-pecuniary interest in item 21.71.1, as the Applicant was a former parish councillor.

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

Cllr Huxstep reported:

**COVID-19** - the pandemic is still very much with us. Professor Chris Whitty's persistent advice is for each of us to assume that we are carrying the virus and therefore to behave accordingly - obey the rules. For up to date, data, please see:

[Hampshire COVID-19 data | Health and social care | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk)

Following Government approval, asymptomatic testing for people going out to work has started across the county.

The scheme is aimed at those without symptoms of coronavirus who are regularly leaving home to go to work, and who are not covered by an existing workplace testing scheme.

People who are working from home or shielding should not attend a community testing site.

Anyone experiencing symptoms of coronavirus - a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste – should [book a test online](#) or call 119.

**Other coronavirus-related scams** - sales of fake products such as face coverings, supplements, anti-virus kits and sanitisers, which may be harmful or never arrive; bogus

healthcare workers who try to gain access to your home by claiming to offer testing for COVID-19; people pretending to be from charities offering to do shopping or carry out cleaning tasks; emails asking for donations to the NHS (spelling and punctuation errors in the text and unusual email sender details are a clue that the email is fake).

Information about the COVID-19 vaccination programme is available on the NHS website. If you believe you are the victim of a fraud, please report this to Action Fraud as soon as possible by calling 0300 123 2040 or visiting [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

**Council Tax** - shortly Winchester District Council will be sending out council tax demands as they act as the collecting authority for the county's, district's and parish councils' precepts as well as for the Hampshire Police Authority and Hampshire's Fire & Rescue Authority. Your district councillors will have the full details but the county tax by bands are:  
A £900.30; B £1,050.35; C £1,200.40; D £1,350.45; E £1,650.55; F £1,950.65; G £ 2,250.75 and H £2,700.90. These rates represent a 1.99% increase in base council tax and 3% for ring-fenced adults' social care.

Cllr Bentote reported on behalf of the District Councillors:

"It is just about a year since we went into lockdown and faced a very different world. But with vaccinations going well we do have better times ahead.

We do urge you to look very thoroughly at the new local plan and make the views of this lovely area known.

We are entering the time of election purdah but the work of WCC continues. WCC has worked very well to support everyone throughout the last year and this is particularly so in the speed and efficiency of grants to businesses large and small.

Thank you very much for the detailed objections you submitted to HCC re the quarrying and landfill at 5 Oaks Farm in Shedfield. We await further news about a committee hearing.

Recently we have received requests for more consideration to be given to traffic speed or traffic calming and safety of pedestrians in Curbridge. Contact from HCC and police not initially helpful but there is a chance of further discussion.

I am sure we can work together on this."

**21.69 To approve the Minutes of Full Council Meeting on 4 March 2021**

***Resolved to approve the Minutes of 4 March 2021 for signing. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.***

**21.70 Crest Nicholson – request for Council to consider offering pre-planning input in relation to new land being promoted for development (totalling 5.2 acres) directly adjacent to the existing North Whiteley**

The PCM advised that Crest Nicholson wished to defer this item indefinitely until they advise they are able to attend a future meeting.

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

21.71.1 Curdridge Grange Curdridge Lane Curdridge SO32 2BH - this application is for ground mounted solar panel installation for Curdridge Grange located in the agricultural field in front of the property Case Officer: Liz Marsden. Case No: 21/00328/FUL.

Members discussed this application and were pleased to note this environmentally friendly scheme.

***Resolved DO NOT OBJECT. ACTION: PCM.***

21.71.2 The Old Orchard Lockhams Road Curdridge Southampton Hampshire SO32 2BD - New rear/side extension. Case Officer: Marge Ballinger. Case No: 21/00474/HOU.

Cllr Bodger introduced this item and advised that this extension only required planning (rather than Permitted Development) because of the roof line.

**Resolved DO NOT OBJECT. ACTION: PCM.**

21.71.3 North Whiteley Urban Extension Botley Road Curbridge Hampshire - Reserved matters application for local equipped area for play (LEAP2) and 'playful landscape'.

Case Officer: Simon Avery. Case No: 21/00649/REM.

Members discussed this application.

**Resolved TO MAKE NO COMMENT.**

21.71.4 Poplars Farm Curdrige Lane Curdrige SO32 2BH - Use of land for B8 (storage) use having taken place in excess of 10 years. Case Officer: Legal. Case No: 21/00349/LDC.

Members discussed this application and felt that the application was still inaccurate; the photographs provided do not prove 10 years use.

**Resolved TO OBJECT, as the evidence provided to support this amended application still does not prove 10 years of use of the whole of the reduced storage area being applied for. Council believes that the objections put forward by Council to the previous application 20/01277/LDC still remain relevant for this reduced size scheme. Council (via a parish councillor who is an IT professional) has prepared a revised overlay plan using the Applicant's evidence to support this application, which revised overlay plan has been provided to the Planning Officer to support Council's objection. This overlay plan clearly demonstrates that the reduced storage area now being applied for was not all in use for storage in either 2012 or 2019 and therefore this application does not meet the requisite 10 year period rule and should be refused`. ACTION: PCM.**

## **21.72 Planning Decisions and Appeals notified by Winchester City Council/HCC - to be noted**

21.72.1 Grooms Cottage Outlands Lane Curdrige SO30 2HD - Rear single storey extension to create additional living accommodation. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No:

20/02873/HOU. **PERMITTED. NOTED.**

## **21.73 Finance**

21.73.1 To approve the Finance Report dated 18 March 2021, cheque signing & payments.

**Resolved to approve the Finance Report dated 18 March, cheque signing and payments. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.**

21.73.2 Grounds Maintenance Contracts Tendering to be discussed in Exempt Business.

No items were raised for discussion within the public session.

## **21.74 Correspondence**

21.74.1 Hampshire County Council Rights of Way - Promotion of Countryside Code due to popular demand and land over complaints - South Hants **Noted.**

21.74.2 Woodland Creation – inviting local community groups to apply for large quantities of trees to be planted in public spaces. **Noted.**

21.74.3 Reading Rooms advising of their proposed re-opening on 12 April 2021. **Noted.**

21.74.4 Hampshire ALC – March Newsletter. **Noted.**

21.74.5 Operation Resilience – to advise they will shortly be undertaking carriageway surface repairs in localised areas along Curdrige Lane, Waltham Chase, between the junctions with Sandy Lane and Lockams Road. This is in preparation for a proposed surface treatment, which if undertaken, will be carried out during 2021. **Noted.**

21.74.6 North Whiteley Development Forum – movement and action plan update. **Noted; see item 21.75.**

## **21.75 North Whiteley (parish boundaries revision) – update and review**

Cllr Bodger advised Members that the revision of the parish boundaries to incorporate North Whiteley into Whiteley Town Council's parish is being delayed further, as Winchester City Council wish to consult new residents moving into the new homes. Cllr Achwal advised they

wish to consult 500 residents to establish whether they wish to be under Whiteley Town Council, Curdridge Parish Council or a new North Whiteley Parish Council.

The PCM advised that Whiteley Town Council had contacted Council to establish whether Council would support them writing to new North Whiteley residents to introduce themselves and to advise that they were hoping to adopt North Whiteley. Winchester City Council had advised them they could not have the names and addresses of new residents, due to data control. Members requested the PCM to write to WCC to advise that Council is happy for Whiteley Town Council to be provided with the names of new roads created in North Whiteley and the number of properties in each road, so that Whiteley Town Council can establish print numbers. **ACTION: PCM.**

Kevan Bundell was extremely disappointed with the delays being encountered with Winchester City Council, as Curdridge has a very small population of approximately 500 households and will be swamped by the North Whiteley Development, if forced to adopt the extremely high number of new properties there.

Members agreed and feel very strongly that North Whiteley should not become part of Curdridge Parish, as Curdridge does not have facilities to support the high number of new residents in North Whiteley. The PCM confirmed that Council has already put in place burial regulations to ensure that burial plots within Curdridge Parish Council's cemetery are protected for long term residents of the parish.

Cllr Bodger and Kevan Bundell requested that Cllr Achwal place this item on the Agenda of the next North Whiteley forum meeting to be discussed urgently; she confirmed she would.

#### **21.76 Winchester City Council – Consultation for Winchester District Local Plan 2038 Strategic Issues and Priorities & Air Quality Supplementary Planning Document**

Cllr Bodger requested that this item be deferred until the 1 April Full Council Meeting to allow all Members to read the paperwork and give input to devise a consultation response.

**ACTION: PCM.**

#### **21.77 Council Meetings – to review the dates of AGM and Annual Parish Meeting following Hampshire ALC update and recommendation regarding Covid-19 Regulations**

Members discussed this item and were disappointed to note the contradicting recommendations and regulations; Hampshire ALC is trying to resolve this issue.

**Resolved that Council will hold its AGM on 6 May 2021, the Full Council Meeting scheduled for 13 May 2021 will be cancelled and the Annual Assembly will be held on 20 May 2021 (face to face if regulations permit or via Zoom if required). ACTION: PCM.**

#### **21.78 Cemetery**

21.78.1 To consider the final details and specification for relocating the two benches and creating a viewing area, in order to obtain quotations

Members discussed this item and were happy for the Cemetery Working Party to agree a specification for this contract, to enable the PCM to obtain quotes and refer back to Council.

**ACTION: PCM.**

21.78.2 To consider the final details and specification for the renovation of the cemetery gravel path in order to obtain quotations

Members discussed this item and were happy for the Cemetery Working Party to agree a specification for this contract, to enable the PCM to obtain quotes and refer back to Council.

**ACTION: PCM.**

#### **21.79 To note Parish Council Manager's Update Report (previously circulated to Members) - Noted.**

#### **21.80 To receive reports from Parish Councillors**

Police and crime prevention – Cllr Wallin advised Members that his security cameras had been activated at 11.50 pm the previous evening by someone in a hoodie who was trying car doors. They went to a neighbour's house, who was contacted and let her large guard dogs out to warn the person off. This was reported to the Police. Members asked Cllr Bodger to put a warning to residents in the next edition of the newsletter.

Wangfield Lane (north side damaged road) – Cllr Bodger confirmed he had taken photographs and was reporting this to Highways.

### **21.81 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

21.82 To receive an update on open Enforcement cases and decide upon any action required. There were no new cases arising.

21.83 Grounds maintenance contract – to review leaf removal at all facilities and to consider quotations received and decide upon contractor for this role.

Members discussed this matter and the fact that some contractors were unable to quote for all contracts.

#### ***Resolved that:***

- i) contractors would be invited to quote for any contract in isolation, or for all contracts, if they so wished.***
- ii) leaf collecting at the Allotment Recreation would be entirely removed from the contract.***
- iii) leaf collecting would instead be included for the Cricketers Pond and the Pound in November and at the end of January. ACTION: PCM.***

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45PM.**