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MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 2016
IN THE BILLIARD ROOM AT CURDRIDGE READING ROOM

Present:

Cllr E Bodger (acting as Chair)

Cllr C Cross

Cllr J Furby

Cllr R Kemp

Cllr L Newton

Cllr C Weaver

In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Roger Bentote (District Councillor)

Cllr Roger Huxstep (District Councillor)

Public Session

Mr Duckworth advised that 14 objectors from 12 households had written to WCC to object to the Broadlands planning application and therefore the application should go to the Planning Committee; the Clerk advised that WCC had confirmed this would be the case, should the officer be minded to permit this application. Mr Duckworth also discussed a drainage report, covering only disposal of rainwater from the buildings. This preceded CPC's recommendation to WCC that a report be sought to cover all aspects of drainage on and through the site.

16.133 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Bundell, Cllr Achwal and Cllr Humby.

16.134 To receive Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

16.135 To approve Minutes of Full Council Meeting of 15 September 2016

Resolved to approve the Minutes as drafted for signing. ACTION: CHAIR/CLERK.

16.136 To receive reports from the County Councillor, District Councillors and Hampshire Constabulary Representative (if applicable)

Cllr Bentote advised that:

District Councillors had taken up the matter of enforcement with WCC's Planning Department (particularly having regard to Broadlands) and had been advised that it is not unusual for builders to continue work on site at their own risk of not being granted planning permission. It was felt that more could be done to improve the enforcement system, but funding probably would not allow for it.

He had also been liaising with WCC & HCC regarding residents' concerns relating to the Boorley Green development and the associated traffic impact. He is awaiting a response from HCC, but has been advised that if residents experience problems with heavy transport from the

development using Wangfield Lane that they should contact Madelaine Clavey, the Monitoring and Enforcement Officer at Eastleigh Borough Council on 02380 683859.

North Whiteley - District Councillors met with Steve Tilbury at WCC to discuss the S106 Agreement, which is currently being negotiated.

Laura Taylor had been appointed as the new Chief Executive of Winchester City Council, but she would not be in post until the New Year.

He and Cllr Achwal had attended a course of three briefings re housing and looking at ways to meet the demand for council housing; currently the wait is usually 4 years.

Cllr Huxstep advised that:

HCC Waste Recycling charges might not be introduced until January 2017 to allow HCC and Hampshire Constabulary to finalise their strategy to discourage fly tipping.

The Local Government Consultation is now closed with results still to be analysed

Applications for secondary school places are due in by 31 October 2016.

16.137 Planning Applications received from Winchester City Council for decision/response

16.137.1 North Whiteley Urban Extension Botley Road Curbridge - FURTHER AMENDED PLANS RECEIVED 7 OCTOBER 2016 - Proposal: Outline planning application (strategic access roads unreserved) for provision of up to 3500 residential units; including affordable housing; 2 primary schools and 1 secondary school; up to 2000sqm of flexible space for A, A2, A3, A5, B1 and D1, 2 children's nurseries; provision of an extra care facility (with scope for all uses to revert to residential if there were insufficient market demand) in 2 local centres; creation of a community building; sports facility (including pavilion, grass pitches and 2 all weather pitches); allotments; landscaping; extensive recreation and play provision. Creation of link roads between Whiteley and Botley Road, wider highways work, cycleway and footpath networks (including two localised footpath diversions) bus priority measures, car parking, flood attenuation network, service enhancements, demolition of a number of existing on site structures and associated engineering works (including changes to levels) (OUTLINE - considering access) (IS A MAJOR APPLICATION AND IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT DEVELOPMENT) (THIS APPLICATION MAY AFFECT THE SETTING OF A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY) (AFFECTS THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING)

Case No: 15/00485/OUT. Case Officer: Simon Avery.

Members discussed this application (together with the preceding applications).

Resolved to make NO COMMENT on this application, but request reassurance from Winchester City Council's Planning Department that:

- i. the proposed revised road network at Whiteley will be put in place prior to the development commencing, to ensure that the traffic problems currently experienced on Whiteley Way and at the Whiteley Junction of the motorway are relieved;***
- ii. the planned revised road junction (of a roundabout or traffic lights) is put in place at Kings Corner (junction of A3051 and A334), to deal with the additional traffic, prior to the development being commenced or as soon as possible thereafter;***
- iii. a traffic management scheme will be put in place during the development to reduce the impact of delivery lorries etc to the site;***
- iv. sufficient surface water drainage schemes are in put in place within the development to ensure that run-off and surface water drainage does not impact on the current residences at Curbridge or cause flooding in the locality;***

- v. ***a School Transport Policy is put in place in relation to the new schools, to manage the impact of travel to and from school (including out of area), once this development is completed. ACTION: CLERK.***

16.138 Finance

16.138.1 To approve the Finance Report dated 20 October 2016, Quarterly Report, cheque signing & payments

Resolved to approve the Finance Report, subject to the addition of further information regarding expenses claims. ACTION: CLERK.

16.138.2 To consider National Trust request for letter of support for Curbridge Nature Reserve replacement boardwalks project and to consider making a small grant donation towards total project cost of £25,000

Members discussed this application.

Resolved to make a grant of £657.50 from CPC and to approach WCC to establish whether CPC could use the balance of their Open Space Funding in the sum of £342.50 to purchase decking to be used for this project, as Members felt that this footpath was extremely well used by local residents and encouraged a healthier lifestyle, as well as being an historic local path. ACTION: CLERK.

16.138.3 Victim Care Grant Application - £50.

Resolved to make a grant in the sum of £50. ACTION: CLERK.

16.138.4 CPRE Grant Application - request for a small grant donation to be used in campaigns to protect the Hampshire Countryside.

Members discussed this application and felt that CPRE had been greatly helpful in helping the parish fight the North Whiteley Development and were very approachable in such instances.

Resolved to make a grant in the sum of £50. ACTION: CLERK.

16.139 To consider the 2017/18 Local Government Finance Settlement Consultation and decide upon response (if applicable)

Resolved to send the draft Rural Opportunities Bulletin “precedent” response, with the addition of “It would be too costly, self-defeating and more expensive than the amount of money being voted upon” to question 7. ACTION: CLERK.

16.140 Allotment Recreation Footpath - to approve letter and plan setting out request to dedicate footpath, exact location and width of footpath to be dedicated

The Clerk had drafted a letter, which she referred to Members and had prepared several plans – Plan A showing the site edged in red; Plans B & C showing the approximate proposed route of the footpath marked in blue; Plan D (larger scale) showing route of footpath from A334 and Plan E (larger scale) showing route of footpath from B3035, through the Allotment Car Park to Allotment Recreation.

Resolved to approve the draft letter and plans A to E being sent to HCC Rights of Way requesting the footpath at the Allotment Recreation be dedicated as a formal Right of Way, to be 1 metre in width and to follow the route set out in Plans A to E. ACTION: CLERK.

16.141 Motion by Cllr Newton that Council considers the Curdridge Reading Room Lunch Club volunteer requirements

Cllr Newton had concerns that the Lunch Club would not be able to continue, if it continued to experience a shortage of volunteers to help out. Members discussed the fact that CPC gave the Lunch Club a sizeable grant each year and felt that it was unable to assist further as a parish council. However, Members could volunteer independently and accordingly volunteered to help with cover for the coming weeks. Members then discussed the feasibility of the Lunch Club increasing their price very minimally to allow them to employ someone for 1-2 hours each

session to start in the New Year. Cllr Newton would discuss this possibility with the organisers.

ACTION: CLLR NEWTON.

16.142 Motion by Cllr Newton that Council considers whether the Botley to Bishops Waltham Trail could benefit from CIL funding from the North Whiteley Development

Cllr Newton advised that several parishes involved with the trail were seeking to use their CIL funding to support the project. Cllr Newton wondered whether CPC could do likewise with any CIL from the North Whiteley development. The Clerk advised that Council had consulted WCC about possible CIL funding for the Parish Quay improvement project and had been advised that the Whiteley Development is in a CIL Zone 1: Strategic Allocations and South Hampshire Urban Areas; the rate/sqm in this zone is £0, which effectively means that no CIL is collected for this development. However, WCC had advised that three other developments had received permission and if/when they commenced CIL funding would become available in the approximate sum of £9,100.

Resolved that if and when CIL funding becomes available to Curdridge Parish Council that Council would duly consider some of this funding being used towards both the Parish Quay and Bishops Waltham Trail projects (if these projects had not been completed before that time).

16.143 Correspondence

16.143.1 River Hamble Sediment Management & Saltmarsh Retention Study email introducing the final report of the River Hamble Harbour Authority's (RHHA) sediment management & saltmarsh retention feasibility study. **Noted.**

16.143.2 HCC Access Team – Access Hampshire Newsletter. **Noted.**

16.143.3 PCT Engagement - Parish and Town Council Workshops - Locality Working Presentations. **Noted.**

16.143.4 HALC E Update – September 2016. **Noted.**

16.143.5 Southern Water – invitation to Southern Water's Stakeholder Workshop (various locations and dates). **Noted.**

16.143.6 Business Stream – email notification that from April 2017 our business water and waste water supplier is changing from Southern Water to Business Stream (no action is necessary). **Noted.**

16.144 To note Parish Clerk's Update Report (previously circulated to Members)

Horse Signs – Cllr Newton felt that if a "Horse Sign" was permitted on the toad sign pole (when not being used) that Council should purchase this, as it benefitted all horse riders. She also queried if Council could establish whether a sign could be placed on the pole on private land at "Calcot" and if so purchase two signs. Members requested the Clerk to query this with HCC Highways and if permitted CPC would purchase the two horse signs. **ACTION: CLERK.**

Broken manhole cover on Curdridge Lane - Cllr Furby advised the manhole cover has finally been repaired.

Footpath 3 Sign – Clerk to chase up sign. **ACTION: CLERK.**

Village Gates – Members requested that the Clerk obtains HCC's final authority for the two gates at Wangfield to proceed to be installed and liaise with Cllr Bundell in relation to the gates at Lake Road, to establish whether Silverlake are happy to have a gate on their verge and if so also seeks HCC's permission to install this set of two gates. **ACTION: CLERK.**

Parish Quay – Cllr Kemp had been unable to complete the anti-slip painting, as when he had visited the quay was submerged by the high tide; he would complete this asap. He would also continue negotiations in relation to the Parish Quay improvement project funding and would report back to Council when he had done so.

Glebe Meadow Hay – Cllr Newton enquired whether Council intended to absorb the loss of income, due to the hay cutting problems at Glebe Meadow this year. The Clerk advised that Cllr Bundell was negotiating with the contractor for the cost of cutting of the meadow in return for the hay produced, which she felt was good, considering that other parish councils were incurring costs for contractors to cut and remove their meadow grass. Cllr Newton confirmed there had been a £50 loss of income this year, which Members felt was acceptable in the circumstances and were grateful to Cllr Bundell and the contractor for arranging the meadow cut. Cllr Newton requested permission to investigate the possibility of using an alternative contractor with a small baler, to avoid this problem occurring again. Members were happy for Council to keep to the current arrangement for the time being, unless a more competitive long-term agreement could be arranged.

16.145 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Litter Picking Volunteers – Cllr Furby confirmed she was arranging a thank you Christmas drink and mince pies for the litter picking volunteers and would be making a small expenses claim. Members agreed. **ACTION: CLLR FURBY.**

UPDATE: having taken legal advice, it was decided to pursue alternative action at November Full Council Meeting. JW

Speed Watch Volunteers – Cllr Newton also felt that the Speedwatch volunteers should be treated to a thank you drink and mince pies from the parish council at Christmas. Members who participate in Speedwatch took no part in the discussion, and the remaining members agreed. Cllrs Newton and Weaver would organise this. **ACTION: CLLR NEWTON.**

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Speed Watch – Cllrs Newton and Weaver advised that Hampshire Constabulary were no longer able to approve Speed Watch areas in 40 mph zones. They felt this was unacceptable, given that Council had spent in excess of £3,000 to improve road safety within the parish on the grounds that Speed Watch was able to be done in 40 mph zones, as the parish only has 2-3 30mph zones that can be monitored and would not have purchased such expensive equipment for these roads. Members requested the Clerk to write to the Hampshire and IoW Police and Crime Commissioner to highlight this problem and request an explanation of why this policy has been changed and to express Council's concerns at the expenses it now appears to unnecessarily have incurred. **ACTION: CLERK.**

Curdridge Manor – several residents had complained to Cllr Cross about the clearance debris left on site on what is believed to highways land. Members requested the Clerk to report this HCC Highways with a request to clear this. **ACTION: CLERK.**

Planning Bus Tour – Cllr Bodger confirmed that he had attended this tour and had found it extremely informative. He highly recommended this tour to Members in future.

16.146 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

16.147 To receive an update on open Enforcement cases and decide upon any action required.

There were no matters arising.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.