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**MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2022
IN THE BILLIARD ROOM AT CURDRIDGE READING ROOM
CURDRIDGE**

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 Bentote (District Councillor)

Public Session

There were no members of public in attendance.

22.25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Paul Haskins, Cllr Hugh Lumby (County Councillor) and Cllr Vivian Achwal (District Councillor)

22.26 To receive Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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

Cllr Hugh Lumby had provided a written report:

HWRCs update - the system of booking to visit Hampshire's household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) is to be made permanent following feedback from users who overwhelmingly supported the approach. It was introduced in June 2020 in response to the pandemic but also helped smooth visits and reduce queuing. The ability to book multiple trips will remain.

Support for Community Transport - with the COVID-19 pandemic still having an impact on levels of all public and community transport use across the county, Hampshire County Council has agreed to maintain contract payments for community transport operators at 100% from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023. Community transport operators have reported that around 35% fewer passengers are travelling than before the pandemic. The move will assist those operators in the recovery and operation of their services, supporting them to maintain service levels whilst they experience lower than usual passenger numbers, and user confidence rebuilds during the coming financial year.

County Councillor Grants - a reminder that applications for county councillor grants for this financial year need to be submitted by 28 February. The 2022/23 county councillor grant window will open on 1 June. Last month I supported projects in Droxford, Swanmore and Warnford. The link for applications is <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/county-councillor>

Roads, Transport and Environmental investment - Hampshire County Council is to be asked to approve on 17 February an increased 2021-22 capital programme of investment in countywide

highways maintenance, road safety, transport improvements, flood alleviation, waste management, and bridge strengthening, as well as economic development and town centre improvements, amounting to £112.885 million. This includes £7 million additional financial support for highways maintenance. Planning continues for the next generation of waste infrastructure to support the county's ability to recycle a wider range of materials. As part of the capital programme of work is the continued development of a plan for a new materials recovery facility in Eastleigh. The proposed programme and appendices highlight an Integrated Transport Programme of over £100 million in value. Local schemes to enable people to walk and cycle more for local journeys represent a £11.3 million investment. Separately, Hampshire County Council is the first council in England to trial plastic bollards made from sugar cane on its pavements; these are being installed as a lower carbon alternative to the traditional concrete ones. The plant-based bollards are also lighter, easier to install and cheaper - costing £150 compared with £190 for concrete. They are also just as resilient in the event of a crash and do not splinter if they are hit by a vehicle. The proposal is part of the county's plans to meet its climate change targets to be Carbon Neutral by 2050 and resilient to a two-degrees rise in temperature. In recognition of the importance of building resilience, the council has declared 2022 the "Year of Climate Resilience". This presents an opportunity for it to increase awareness of the importance of resilience and to develop some showcase projects in partnership with key stakeholders. More information can be found on the Council's Climate Change website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange>

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations - Hampshire County Council is putting plans in place to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year. These will provide opportunities for residents across the county to participate, including through schools, libraries, care homes, and outdoor sites. The primary focus is during the extended bank holiday weekend of Thursday 2 to Sunday 5 June 2022. The plan also have is a significant focus on complementing The Queen's Green Canopy theme, with £0.5 million is to be made available to help organisations and communities plant trees across the county. The celebrations will be launched on Thursday 10 February at a high-profile event in Winchester attended by HRH The Prince of Wales, who will unveil 'Licoricia of Winchester', a new life-size bronze statue of a prominent medieval Jewish woman, designed by award-winning sculptor Ian Rank-Broadley.

Councillor Hugh Lumby, Meon Valley Division hugh.lumby@hants.gov.uk."

Cllr Bentote advised there was little to add to their previous District Councillor report, apart from the Planning Enforcement details email which would be circulated to Members.

22.28 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 20 January 2022
Resolved to approve the Minutes of 20 January 2022. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.

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

22.29.1 Harmsworth Farm Bungalow Botley Road Curbridge Southampton Hampshire SO30 2HB - Conversion and extension of ancillary office space to granny annex at Harmsworth Farm Bungalow, Curbridge, Southampton. SO302HB. Case Officer: Nicola Clayton. Case No: 21/03140/HOU.

Members discussed this application and although they were once again concerned at the level of development taking place on this site, they felt there were no relevant planning objections due to the property location.

Resolved to MAKE NO COMMENT.

22.29.2 Home Farm Reading Room Lane Curbridge SO32 2HE - Construction of one dwelling, relocation of grooms flat within the barn and use of the original grooms flat for ancillary equestrian purposes (Revised siting of new dwelling under 21/00042/FUL). Case Officer: Amy Winch. Case No: 21/02938/FUL.

Members discussed this application and felt that the change of location for the new property was probably due to the flooding recently experienced on this site in the current permitted location for the new property.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT, subject to Winchester City Council ensuring that the sworn Affidavit from the Applicants confirming they will rescind all previous planning permissions if this application is permitted is enforced and that no further development will be allowed on this site in future. ACTION: PCM

22.29.3 Land Adjacent Beechcroft Vicarage Lane Curdridge Hampshire - Outline planning permission for the erection of one detached dwelling on a plot of land with an area of less than 0.1 hectare, which forms part of a larger piece of land with an area 0.49 hectare, accessible from Vicarage Lane. The land in question is unused infill land between existing buildings on Vicarage Lane. Case Officer: Jordan Wiseman. Case No: 21/03302/OUT.

Members discussed this application.

Resolved TO OBJECT on the grounds of over development within an open countryside location, as Council firmly believes this application does not represent infilling.

Members are concerned that it appears that there may also be provision and scope for another property to be built on this site in future (if this property is permitted) in accordance with the original 2011 Planning Application refused. Council does not believe the house built in the field on the A334 Wickham Road creates a suitable precedent for this application location. ACTION: PCM.

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

22.30.1 Calcot House Calcot Lane Curdridge SO32 2BN - Retrospective planning application for the replacement of an existing boundary fence, with a new and increased in height close boarded fence along Calcot Lane. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 21/02658/HOU.

PERMITTED. Noted.

22.30.2 North Whiteley Urban Extension Botley Road Curbridge Hampshire - Construction of a shared foot/cycleway (public right of way - section 1.17A). Case Officer: Simon Avery. Case No: 21/01508/REM. **PERMITTED. Noted.**

22.30.3 Woollams Botley Road Curdridge SO32 2DQ - We wish to instal an in-ground swimming pool of 10m x 4m x 1.2m to 1.6m deep pool system (actual visible and usable length is 9m as we will install an integrated safety cover). The property is a holiday let business and we feel an addition of a simple, elegant pool will serve as an attractive feature within a lawned area of the garden. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 21/02690/HOU. **PERMITTED. Noted.**

22.30.4 Woollams Botley Road Curdridge SO32 2DQ - We wish to instal an in-ground swimming pool of 10m x 4m x 1.2m to 1.6m deep pool system (actual visible and usable length is 9m as we will install an integrated safety cover). The property is a holiday let business and we feel an addition of a simple, elegant pool will serve as an attractive feature within a lawned area of the garden. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 21/02691/LIS. **PERMITTED. Noted.**

22.30.5 Beggars Roost Gordon Road Curdridge SO32 2BE - Retrospective - Extension to height of boundary wall from 1.0m to 1.5m and installation of gates. Case Officer: Peter Korankye-Gyabong. Case No: 21/02726/HOU. **PERMITTED. Noted.**

22.31 Finance

22.31.1 To approve interim payment(s) to be added to Finance Report dated 17 February 2022 and cheque signing & payments.

Council approved signing the cheque in favour of Botley Fencing which will be added to the Finance Report for 17 February next. **ACTION: PCM.**

22.32 Correspondence

22.32.1 WCC - Landscape Character Assessment Supplementary Planning Document

Consultation. **Members agreed that no revisions were required.**

22.32.2 Southampton to London Pipeline Project Update. **Noted.**

22.32.3 Southern Water - Futureproofing our water supplies – WRSE’s emerging regional plan consultation. **Noted.**

22.32.4 HCC – Covid update. **Noted.**

22.32.5 Police & Crime Commissioner update. **Noted.**

22.32.6 Hampshire ALC – Personal Safety Webinars for Councillors. **Noted.**

22.32.7 Local Government Boundary Commission for England – consultation on Ward boundaries for Fareham Borough. **Noted.**

22.32.8 Hampshire ALC – notification of Officers’ Update, which will be a face-to-face event on Wednesday 16th February 2022, 9.45am-12.30pm. Venue to be advised shortly. **Noted.**

22.32.9 Victim Care Service – information. **Noted.**

22.32.10 Environment Agency - Wooden Jetty Removal - grant of permit. **The PCM advised Members she had managed to negotiate a reduced post jetty removal inspection period of 3 years and the incorporation of wording stipulating that it would only relate to any erosion immediately caused by the removal of the jetty. Members requested the PCM to put this on the next Agenda to enable them to look through the Permit and decide upon the proposed action for removing the jetty ASAP. ACTION: PCM.**

22.33 Allotment Recreation

22.33.1 The Queen’s Green Canopy initiative tree planting – to receive an update and consider action required.

The PCM gave Members an update on the order.

Resolved that the PCM will order the 3 trees, supports, feed and compost from Hilliers and that Cllr Newton and Rob will supply the external fencing posts, wire and any grit required (to be reimbursed by Council). Cllr Newton will speak to Rob urgently to agree possible delivery dates/address and ensure delivery can be arranged with Bob McQueen before he goes on leave (18 Feb-1 Mar). Cllr Newton will instruct Rob on planting requirements and will request he emails a quotation to Council. Cllr Newton will also email Members to establish when they can water the trees and will prepare a tree watering schedule to be displayed in the shed. It was agreed that the PCM would get 4 shed keys cut for Cllr Newton to distribute to Members undertaking tree watering and would also write to the Allotment Association to establish whether they would be happy for Council to use their Allotments water supply to water these trees and if so, would allow Council to have a key cut for their Allotments gate to be stored in the shed for Members to gain access to their tap. ACTION: CLLR NEWTON/PCM.

22.33.2 Allotment Recreation fountain and water supply – to review fountain and water supply requirements and options.

Members discussed this.

Resolved that Council will take no action to install a separate water supply at this time, as it may not prove necessary.

22.34 To consider and review Speed Limit Reminder Sign requirements

Members discussed this.

Resolved that the PCM would obtain quotes for:

- i) 4m metal pole for the new ground socket on Botley Road to put a solar panel on;***
- ii) Evolis solar panel to be compatible with the current new SLR sign on Botley Road to enable that SLR sign to be used on Botley Road with solar power;***
- iii) A new Westcotec SLR sign that displays not only the smiley face, but also the vehicle’s speed and is smaller than the current Evolis SLR sign, so it’s***

less intrusive on smaller roads and can also be adjusted to monitor various speed limits from 30mph upwards. ACTION: PCM.

22.35 To note Parish Council Manager's Update Report (previously circulated to Members)

Members discussed the PCM's report:

5 May Meeting – as only the Committee Room is available on this date, Members asked the PCM to swap the Annual Parish Meeting and AGM to 19 May 2022 and revise the room booking to the Main Hall or Billiard Room and swap the Full Council Meeting to 5 May to be in the Committee Room. **ACTION: PCM.**

HCC (Botley Road speed reduction request) – HCC has responded; the PCM will circulate their email to Members (and hopefully the resident), but was not hopeful that a speed reduction would be achieved. The PCM will also advise HCC Highways that they can lift data from Councils SLR on Botley Road for their joint investigation of the recent fatal accident with the Police. **ACTION: PCM.**

SHELAA land submissions – the PCM reminded Members that this item would be on the next Agenda. Cllr Bodger had started looking at submissions within the parish and would circulate his information to Members once he had completed it. **ACTION: CLLR BODGER/PCM.**

Cemetery water supply (Business Stream bill) – the PCM had written to make a further complaint about waste water charges still being included on bills and a refund of historical charges. Business Stream phoned to advise they will remove waste charges from future bills and are making a further refund of £531.49 for historical waste water charges paid.

"Tommy" Remembrance Statues – it was agreed that a working party site meeting would be arranged to agree the location for the two Tommy statues to be installed, so it can be done at the same time as the benches are relocated. **ACTION: PCM.**

22.36 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Chapel Lane/Botley Road junction – Cllr Wallin advised that HCC's temporary road sign is blocking vision towards Botley. The PCM will advise HCC Highways. **ACTION: PCM.**

HCC 20mph speed limit review – Cllr Wallin has been developing colour coded plans of roads within the parish, one with current speed limits and one with desired speed limits. He will circulate these to Members once they are completed. Members thanked him for doing this.

A334 Wickham Road (fly tipping – car bumper) – Cllr Townsend advised the bumper has reappeared by the small bridge between Outlands Lane and Botley Train Station. The PCM will report this to WCC. The Chair informed Members they can report fly tipping directly to WCC via the link on the parish website. **ACTION: PCM.**

Southern Parishes Forum – Cllr Bodger reported a successful course at which Wickham and Whiteley councillors had received planning training from Steve Tilbury. He asked Members who would like to attend training in order that he can try to book this for them. Two preferred online delivery, two in-person and two were happy with either.

Curdrige Affordable Housing Scheme – Cllr Bodger had also attended a meeting for this, at which Rob Medway had asked for clarification of the amount of land he would be donating in return for his building plot on the site. Cllr Bodger shared Mr Medway's disappointment that the scheme includes a brick/flint wall on the site.

22.37 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

22.37 To receive WCC's update reports on Enforcement cases and decide upon any action required - there were no new matters arising.

The meeting closed at 8.36 pm.