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**MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 4 MAY 2023
IN THE BILLIARD ROOM AT CURDRIDGE READING ROOM CURDRIDGE**

Present:

Cllr Eric Bodger (Chairman)

Cllr Larry Burden

Cllr Jonathan Carkeet

Cllr Philip Hedger

Cllr Lynne Newton

Cllr Sian Townsend

In attendance:

Jenny Whittle (Parish Council Manager - PCM)

1 member of the public

Public Session

23.110 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Paul Haskins.

23.111 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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

The written reports to Members from County and District Councillors were noted.

23.113 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 20 April 2023

Resolved to approve the Minutes of 20 April 2023. ACTION: PCM/CHAIR.

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

23.114.1 Acorn Cottage Kitnocks Hill Curdridge Southampton Hampshire SO32 2HJ - Proposed ground floor extensions (central porch and south east elevation); proposed first floor terrace (south east elevation) with external staircase; other internal alterations including an incidental annexe. Case Officer: Marge Ballinger. Case No: 23/00717/HOU.

Members discussed this application and felt there were no planning objections.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT. ACTION: PCM.

23.114.2 Jasmine Cottage Hillside Kitnocks Hill Curdridge Southampton Hampshire - The proposed extension and refurbishment of an existing early 21st century, detached, four-bedroom dwelling with a detached double garage to include the demolition of existing extensions on all sides, the internal reconfiguration of the main dwelling, the addition of both single-storey extension and two-storey extensions, and the addition of an annex to the existing double garage. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 23/00841/HOU.

A neighbour spoke to advise Council that he had no objections to this application in principle, but had discussed with the applicant his concerns regarding the 4m high gable end directly alongside their joint boundary.

Members discussed this application.

Resolved to notify WCC that Council's objection to this application is that the 4m gable end will be extremely close to the neighbour's property and will cause the loss of light; it is felt that an alternative design such as a hip roof would alleviate this problem. If minded to permit this application Curdridge Parish Council would request that WCC ensures that a condition is attached to any permission granted to ensure that the annexe cannot be converted into a separate domestic dwelling/living accommodation in future. ACTION: PCM.

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

There were no new planning decisions for the parish notified by WCC during this period.

23.116 Finance

23.116.1 To approve INTERIM Finance Report dated 4 May 2023 and cheque signing & payments (if applicable).

Resolved to approve the signing and payment of the three cheques on the interim report.

23.116.2 King's Coronation Event (Picnic at the Reading Room Recreation Ground on 8 May 2023) – to receive an update, consider action and ratify any previous decisions (as required).

The PCM had updated Members by email that:

- i) she had put the coronation pens into all of the invite envelopes and separated these into road bundles which had almost all been hand delivered by Members;
- ii) she had written to Curdridge Primary School sending one envelope and one pen per pupil and some spares for the staff; the Head Teacher had responded to thank Council for this kind gesture;
- iii) her daughter had kindly volunteered to play her guitar and sing a few songs at the picnic event to provide some live entertainment on the day;
- iv) she had tried phoning Nick Hillyer multiple times about First Aid cover but had been unsuccessful. Cllr Newton therefore kindly approached him directly and had been advised that he will be attending the event all day and is happy to provide informal First Aid Cover.

Cllr Townsend confirmed that she had:

- i) liaised with Curdridge Primary School who would be providing the school amplifier, picnic blankets, 150 colouring pens and parents to oversee a table providing childrens' entertainment throughout the event;
- ii) liaised with the Cricket Club who were also going to be providing drink and food and would also have the clubhouse open to provide additional accommodation and a music source.

Cllr Burden confirmed the Reading Room Trustees had:

- i) arranged for Cornflower Sky to open the café to provide tea, coffee and light refreshments throughout the event to help fundraise for the Reading Room Charity;
- ii) confirmed that the childrens' entertainment table would be set up in the Billiard Room, so that the children had somewhere to go to do colouring etc.
- iii) agreed that car parking would be provided in the main Reading Room car park, with overflow parking to be provided in the drier section of Skinners Field. Members confirmed the Cemetery and Allotment Car Parks could also be used for overflow parking (if required).

Members then discussed First Aid cover in detail. It was noted that in addition to Nick Hillyer there were several other first aiders with training who could provide informal cover throughout the event.

23.117 Correspondence & Telecommunications

23.117.1 Winchester City Council – invite for Clerk and two Councillors to Local Parish Briefing – Tuesday 16th May 2023 1.00 – 3.00pm. **Noted.**

23.117.2 Cllr Humby – update on bus service to Curdridge parish. **Noted.**

23.117.3 Mrs Williams (resident) – request for Council to consider “No Mow May” for parish verges. **Agreed that Council will write to HCC to request “No Mow May” to be carried out in Curdridge where cutting is not required for health and safety purposes. ACTION: PCM.**

23.117.4 Fareham Borough Council – Biodiversity Net Gain Supplementary Planning Document Consultation. **Noted.**

23.117.5 CPRE Spring Update. **Noted.**

23.117.6 WDALC Newsletter. **Noted.**

23.117.7 Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter. **Noted.**

23.117.8 Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust Newsletter. **Noted.**

23.118 To note Parish Clerk’s Update Report (previously circulated to Members) – Noted.

23.119 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Communication Strategy – Cllr Carkeet confirmed he is liaising with several companies to obtain quotations for the communication strategy format agreed by Members. The working party will reconvene once quotes are received and will report back to Council afterwards.

Police Speed Check request – Cllr Carkeet advised Members he is currently drafting his response to Hampshire Constabulary’s letter advising they do not have the budget to carry out speed checks and he will report back to Council once it has been sent and a further response received.

Reading Room Joint Management Committee – Cllr Hedger and Cllr Townsend reported that the Reading Room Charity are still in the process of carrying out a structural survey, which Cllr Townsend is helping them to arrange via her friend Tom Langley.

The Reading Room Charity are going to investigate the possibility of renting out the domestic annexe as a commercial let to give a regular income.

Cllr Hedger and Cllr Townsend have been lobbying for new Trustees when delivering by hand and hopefully have some new volunteers, as all the current Trustees (apart from Cllr Burden) have given notice that they are leaving next month.

More regular fund raising events are being organised by the fund raising volunteers and are being advertised on the notice board in Skinners Field; fund raising events to date have been very successful.

Cllr Townsend had believed that the Reading Room Co-Ordinator and Parish Council Manager were going to be completing Grant Applications, but the Joint Management Committee had previously agreed this would be best done at one of their meetings. **PCM to clarify this with Jo White. ACTION: PCM.**

Reading Room Access (poor visibility) – Cllr Townsend asked Cllr Burden if the visibility splay could be cut. He will arrange this when time permits.

Curdridge Primary School (renovations) – Cllr Townsend reported that the school association has carried out fund raising to renovate the top play area and create a wild garden.

Affordable Housing (Curdridge) – Cllr Bodger updated that Planning Permission has been achieved and the S106 Agreement has been signed off. 4 tenders have been applied for and should hopefully be reviewed by the end of the month, following which an application will be made to Homes England for a grant. Application requirements for house allocation once completed still to be finalised.

Members asked the PCM to write to WCC to ask them to provide an indication of what additional affordable housing might still be required within the parish in the foreseeable future. **ACTION: PCM.**

23.120 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

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

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.54 PM.