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MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2023 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 Anne Small (District Councillor)

4 members of public

Public Session

Hillview, Chapel Lane – several residents had collectively raised various breaches of planning; enlargement of the development, roadside paving abutting highways, very bright external lighting etc. The PCM confirmed that all issues raised had been reported. Cllr Small has also raised this issue with WCC Council Leader in view of the number of complaints being received. Members requested the PCM to report roadside paving to HCC Highways. **ACTION: PCM.**

23.80 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Hedger and Cllr Townsend.

23.81 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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

Written report submitted from District Councillors noted.

23.83 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 16 March 2023

Resolved to approve the Minutes of 16 March 2023. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.

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

23.84.1 Kyrenia Botley Road Curdridge Southampton Hampshire SO32 2DQ - Single storey front extension forming 'link' between house & existing detached garage. Case Officer: Cameron Finch. Case No: 23/00452/HOU.

Members discussed this application.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT. ACTION: PCM.

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

23.85.1 Land To The Northeast Of Greenclose Wangfield Lane Curdridge Hampshire - Change of use of existing agricultural barn to create three dwellinghouses. Case Officer: Rose Chapman. Case No: 23/00405/PNACOU. (Comments to WCC by 27 March 2023). **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN. Noted.**

23.85.2 1 Woodland Cottages The Plantation Curdridge Hampshire SO32 2DT - T-1 lime. Remove suckers and pollard tree to a height of 10 metres to allow more light into property. T-2,3.oak. Crown lift to a height of 5 metres from ground level and reduce lateral limbs growing towards property and garden by 1.5m metres to allow more light into garden. T4- ash. Fell, tree is showing signs of ash die back. Replant with English oak. Case Officer: John Bartlett. Case No: 23/00218/TPO. **PERMITTED. Noted.**

23.86 Finance

23.86.1 To approve interim payments for Finance Report dated 16 March 2023 and cheque signing & payments (if applicable). No matters arising.

23.86.2 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 updated Members that she had:-

- i) booked the Reading Room (including all facilities) for the afternoon of Bank Holiday Monday, 8 May 2023;
- ii) drafted and circulated to all Members a flyer for the event to be delivered to each household to be approved and sent to printers once number of households known.
ACTION: MEMBERS/PCM;
- iii) written to Curdridge Primary School to establish the total number of pupils at the school (112 pupils);
- iv) written to WCC Address Management Team to establish the number of households within the parish following the North Whiteley Boundary Review – awaiting response;
- v) written to WCC Elections Dept to establish the number of electors following the North Whiteley Boundary Review (1126 electors);
- vi) obtained various quotations for Coronation Pens and Refillable Pencils and will email final quotations once numbers are known. It was agreed that Members will approve quotations via email, to be ratified at the next Full Council Meeting on 20 April 2023.
ACTION: MEMBERS/PCM;
- vii) liaised with County Councillor, Hugh Lumby, regarding grant funding. PCM to apply for a County Councillor Grant once quotations have been obtained. **ACTION: PCM;**
- viii) downloaded a Coronation word search and colouring pictures that could be given to children on the day. Cllr Small said that Curdridge Primary School's PTA Group would probably be happy to oversee this. Members asked the PCM to write to the school to see if this would be possible. **ACTION: PCM.**

Members discussed having a gazebo at this event to enable them to raise awareness about the parish council's proposed public consultation process. Cllr Burden advised that if Members decided to do this the Reading Room could probably loan Council a gazebo. The Communication Strategy Working Party will give this matter some consideration.

The PCM felt that it would also be nice to have Councillor representation throughout this event. Members would check their diaries.

23.87 Correspondence & Telecommunications

23.87.1 WCC – Reading Room Play Area Annual Safety Inspection Report (including additional elements requested by Council). **The PCM advised Members that play area inspections are carried out by Council on behalf of the Reading Room, but she had circulated reports to all Members as they had requested additional inspections to**

assess the state of the play area having regard to the Reading Room Management Joint Committee.

23.87.2 Zurich – Coronation of King Charles Events insurance advice. **The PCM advised that the Reading Room insurance will cover this event, as Council is formally hiring the facility, but that it would be useful to see if they had a Risk Assessment for such events that would also satisfy Council’s insurance (for extra protection). ACTION: PCM.**

23.87.3 HCC – Street Lighting Contract fees update. **Noted.**

23.87.4 WCC – update on a further conviction achieved for fly tipping offences. **Noted.**

23.87.5 Fareham Borough Council - Community Infrastructure Levy & Planning Obligations SPD Consultations. **Noted.**

23.87.6 Hampshire ALC Newsletter. **Noted.**

23.87.7 HCC Newsletter. **Noted.**

23.87.8 Southern Parishes – copy letter sent to WCC Planning Department. **Noted.**

23.87.9 Healthwatch Hampshire – re Communication from Healthwatch Hampshire Community Interest Company. **Noted.**

23.88 Xelabus withdrawal of X9 bus service to Curdridge – to receive an update and to decide action required (if applicable)

The PCM had written to HCC to advise that Council was extremely upset that this service had been withdrawn. Cllr Newton had written to County Councillor, Hugh Lumby to express concern for vulnerable residents. Cllr Newton had also investigated loaning a minibus from Botley or Bishops Waltham Parish Council once a week or fortnight, but this worked out quite expensive bearing in mind there were not currently many residents using the bus service (Botley £70 hire, plus diesel) and could not be hired regularly. Consequently, she had phoned local taxi companies to see if they had any MPVs that could be hired once weekly or fortnightly; unfortunately, they did not. Cllr Newton advised Members that the old parish minibus had not been paid for by the parish council and therefore the sale proceeds had been ear-marked for parish transport projects, so this money could be used for this scheme.

Resolved that:

- i) PCM would email County Councillor, Hugh Lumby, to establish whether the new Whiteley Bus Service or the Number 49 Bus Service to Curdridge could be improved to enable vulnerable elderly residents to do weekly shopping etc. ACTION: PCM;***
- ii) Cllr Bodger would place an article in the parish magazine to establish whether there were any volunteers to either drive a minibus (if Council hired one once weekly or fortnightly), or whether there were any volunteer car owners who would be prepared to drive elderly residents to local towns such as Hedge end, Bishops Waltham and Whiteley. ACTION: CLLR BODGER;***
- iii) Council will review this item at its next meeting. ACTION: PCM.***

23.89 Cricketers Pond – to receive Water Testing Certificates from South East Water Laboratory and to decide action required (if applicable)

Members noted that South East Water Laboratory had advised that the Cricketers Pond water fell within normal limits for water quality. Members wished to have a more detailed analysis.

Resolved that:

- i) PCM will write to Hampshire Wildlife Trust to ask them if they are able to advise what additional water contaminants Council should consider testing for;***
- ii) PCM will then write to South East Water Laboratory to request them to advise what the “normal” range for pond water quality is and to ask if they can carry out additional water testing for salt, rubber and heavy metals content, together with any additional contaminants Hampshire Wildlife Trust might advise testing for. ACTION: PCM.***

23.90 Full Council Meetings – to consider and approve draft Public Meeting Standing Orders Document for Members of the Public

Resolved to approve the Public Meeting Standing Orders Document, as circulated, and revised by Members for printing and laminating to display at future Full Council Meetings. ACTION: PCM.

23.91 HCC draft guidance on S106 planning obligations and infrastructure requirements – to receive and approve Cllr Carkeet’s comments and recommendations

Members noted Cllr Carkeet’s comments/recommendations and thanked him for preparing these notes.

23.92 To note Parish Clerk’s Update Report (previously circulated to Members)

2x New SLR Signs (on order) – the PCM advised that Westcotec would like a delivery address. Cllr Burden said he would be happy to take delivery of these if Dave Thorne (Council’s SLR Volunteer) was unable to do so. **ACTION: PCM.**

23.93 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Parish Speed Limits – Cllr Carkeet had written to the Hampshire Constabulary contact provided to him by Durley reps and had received a dismissive response stating that there had been insufficient fatalities on Botley Road to warrant speed checks and therefore their budget was insufficient to do this. Cllr Carkeet will respond and try to get them to undertake speed checks in the area.

Wickham Road (damaged drains) – HCC had started repair works to two drains. PCM will chase up repairs to the remaining drains. **ACTION: PCM.**

Maddoxford Lane tankers (speeding) – Cllr Newton had received a report that there were multiple tankers using the road and speeding. Cllr Bodger (who lives in Wangfield Lane) has been liaising with HCC Highways and the Police about lorries but had had little success. He advised that residents should report speeding vehicles to the Police.

23.94 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

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

23.96 Reading Room Management – to receive Hampshire ALC’s response to Council on this matter. Members noted this response and that the next joint committee meeting is next Wednesday.

23.97 To discuss Council’s internal Councillor/Staff Team Building survey results.

Cllr Haskins kindly reported back the survey results. Members thanked him for all his hard work.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9 PM.