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**MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF CURDRIDGE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 9 JANUARY 2020
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM AT CURDRIDGE READING ROOM
CURDRIDGE**

Present:

Cllr Eric Bodger (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)

6 members of the public

Public Session

There were no matters arising.

20.1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Steve Wallin and Cllr Debbie Caister. The District Councillors had also sent apologies.

20.2 To receive Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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

Councillor Huxstep reported:

County Commitment to Net-Zero Carbon - the County Council is committed to establishing a clear action plan to embed carbon reduction measures across the Authority and make Hampshire more resilient to the impact of a changing climate. This strategy sets out targets on both mitigation and resilience, for both the County Council's own operations and the wider Hampshire area. The action plan covers all direct and indirect carbon emissions from the County Council's own activities – such as fuel, energy and waste. These activities account for around one per cent of all carbon emissions for the county of Hampshire. Therefore, the plan sets a target for Hampshire as a whole, which aligns with the national Government target for 2050. The Cabinet has agreed all recommendations in the report, including revoking the policy prohibiting consideration of wind turbines on County Council land, and establishing a programme of tree and wildflower planting on highways land and verges.

All the County Council's services need to contribute to reducing emissions and building resilience – replacing transport fleets with electric vehicles, reducing carbon from street lighting, and maximising the use of recycled materials in highways maintenance, to name just a few areas. The County Council's activities account for just a small proportion of the overall carbon emissions in Hampshire – the majority of which come from transport and domestic energy. As the highway authority, the County Council has a key role to play around transport,

and it is clear that we all need to make changes to tackle energy consumption – building on the many instances of successful community energy projects, for example, which demonstrate what can be achieved by direct community action. Over the past decade, over £30 million has been made in carbon savings from the County Council's estate and operations - reducing the County Council's carbon consumption by 43%.

Plenty of time to register your vehicle for ongoing free access to Hampshire's Household Waste Recycling Centres - *Over 150,000 Hampshire residents' vehicles have already been registered online over the last two weeks, ahead of the launch of a new permit system later this year by Hampshire County Council – giving Hampshire residents continued, automatic free access to Hampshire Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs)*

The new system will be controlled by Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) and will ensure continued free access for Hampshire residents to any of Hampshire's 24 HWRCs to dispose of household waste, while access for non-Hampshire residents (excluding Dorset Council residents) will be for a fee of £5 per visit. There is still plenty of time to register, and once Hampshire residents have done this, they will see no change when they next visit a Hampshire HWRC. This system is being brought in because of the need to find a way that provides effective and environmentally practicable options for residents who live close to Hampshire's borders, to continue to access the HWRCs, but in a way that is fairer to Hampshire residents who actually pay for the cost of the service through their council tax. An update on Hampshire County Council's work around access to Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) across county borders will be considered on 14th January. This report: <http://democracy.hants.gov.uk/documents/s43062/Report.pdf> includes a recommendation for a start date of 1st April for the new system to become operational. Neighbouring authorities began to put in place plans to ban people not living in their administrative areas from using their HWRCs. HCC advocated a position of maintaining access for all residents to their nearest HWRC, regardless of where they lived. It was not possible to come to an agreement in a way that recognised the costs borne by the council dealing with the waste and some have already implemented a ban on Hampshire residents using HWRCs in their areas. This is not HCC's intention in Hampshire – instead, a charge of £5 per visit for non-Hampshire residents will be introduced from the spring to offset the £500,000 annual cost of dealing with waste from non-Hampshire residents visiting our sites. This will contribute to the drive to manage costs across all services to help bridge the shortfall in the budget due to reductions in funding from Government, rising costs and inflation, and growing demand for council services. Hampshire residents, including those who live in Southampton and Portsmouth, are able to register for free access to any Hampshire HWRC here. There is no registration required for access to the Paulsgrove HWRC in Portsmouth. Hampshire residents who already hold a van or trailer permit do not need to re-register that particular vehicle. For residents without internet access, please call 0300 555 1389 to register.

Hampshire Libraries Consultation – Cllr Huxstep advised of this consultation and advised that no libraries in the Winchester District would be affected. It was also noted that Hedge End Library (used by many parishioners) would not currently be affected.

20.4 To approve Minutes of Full Council Meeting dated 19 December 2019

The Minutes of 19 December were approved for signing. ACTION: CHAIR/PCM.

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

20.5.1 Pound Copse Botley Road Curdridge SO32 2DQ - The proposed change of use from domestic garage to self-contained holiday let on part of the site known as Pound Copse. Case Officer: Nicola Clayton. Case No: 19/02561/FUL.

Several neighbouring residents were in attendance and strongly objected to this application. They were extremely concerned that this property is not suitable as a holiday let, due to its proximity to neighbouring properties, which would cause noise and light pollution, as well as

overlooking and loss of privacy (especially if the velux windows are permitted). They were also concerned about the increased traffic, due to the location and the severe lack of visibility exiting the properties here; there is a scrap car business on site that already causes excess vehicular traffic and disturbance, as toxic waste is regularly burnt on site.

Members discussed this application.

Resolved TO OBJECT on the grounds that if permitted this application would cause noise pollution, light pollution, overlooking and loss of privacy due to its proximity to neighbouring properties. Members felt that this property was unsuitable for a holiday let, due to neighbours living very close to it and would set a bad precedent. Members requested that HCC make a site visit to re-assess the highway visibility from this property access, as it was felt that it is very dangerous. Members also requested that if WCC's Planning Officer is minded to permit this application that it be referred to the Planning Committee and that conditions be attached to any permission that no pets will be allowed, no velux windows will be permitted and that no external lighting will be permitted that will cause any light pollution onto neighbouring properties. ACTION: PCM.

20.5.2 Kitnocks House Wickham Road Curdrige Southampton Hampshire SO32 2HG - Replacement of existing timber clad outbuilding with proposed timber clad outbuilding. Case Officer: Curtis Badley. Case No: 19/02732/FUL.

Members discussed this application.

Resolved DO NOT OBJECT. ACTION: PCM.

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

There were no new Planning Decisions for Curdrige Parish during this period. **Noted.**

20.7 Finance

19.7.1 To approve the Finance Report dated 23 January 2019 and cheque signing & payments – **TO BE DEALT WITH AT FULL COUNCIL ON 23 JANUARY 2020.**

20.8 Correspondence

20.8.1 WCC – notification of WCC Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation. Closing date 13 January; results will be considered as part of setting the Council's budget and medium term financial strategy in February 2020. **Noted.**

20.8.2 Hampshire ALC – advising that Vendy Treagust, their Membership Services Officer, has sadly passed away. **Noted.**

20.8.3 Colden Common Parish Council – providing the information regarding their Speed Limit Reminder Sign requested by Cllr Bodger. **Noted.**

20.8.4 WCC – notification that the wording for the Planning Application for Building At Long Acres Farm Wangfield Lane Curdrige Hampshire had been changed to 'Change of use of agricultural building to workshop (B20 and associated operational development)'. Members discussed this and were not happy about the usage revision. They requested the PCM to write to WCC to reiterate their previous response "**Resolved DO NOT OBJECT, subject to the commercial usage permitted being light commercial B1 & B8 only**". **ACTION: PCM.**

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

Wangfield Lane (lorry/bridge signs) – Members noted HCC's response and requested the PCM to write to EBC to see if they would install new lorry signs at the new junction (as a gesture of goodwill) using Developers Contributions, as the lorry that got stuck at the bridge was probably

associated with the new development and it would create more lorry deliveries in the future.

ACTION: PCM.

20.10 To receive reports from Parish Councillors

Chapel Lane/Lockhams Road (safety mirror) – Cllr Townsend had visited Silverlake who could provide a mirror for approx. £50. They had recommended Council contacts Lucketts Travel who may donate an old mirror for safety purposes. Members requested the PCM to contact Lucketts Travel (01329 823755) to see if they have any old mirrors. If not Members would like to purchase the mirror from Silverlake, as there has been more accidents at this junction recently. **ACTION: PCM.**

SLR Sign (Botley Road) – Cllr Townsend advised that the sign had not worked a couple of days ago, but it was working today. Members would monitor this.

Wickham Road A334 (broken drains) – Cllr Burden reported that these had been repaired.

Minibus – Cllr Newton had retrieved the three sets of keys, which were passed to Cllr Burden, (who kindly offered to charge the battery), so that the minibus can be opened and driven and then advertised for sale. Cllr Burden will notify the PCM when this has been done, so that the advert can then be placed in the Southern Auto Trader. **ACTION: CLLR BURDEN/PCM.**

Cricketers Pond (picket fencing around bench) – Cllr Newton checked whether Botley Fencing had been contacted and had quoted. The PCM would investigate. **ACTION: PCM.**

Wangfield Lane (large pothole) – Cllr Bodger had reported a large dangerous pothole. HCC had visited and installed a cone, which had then been run over. Cllr Bodger has updated HCC.

Transfer Strategy for South East Consultation – Cllr Bodger advised that he had received this consultation and had responded on behalf of Council.

20.11 To arrange Members' Annual Health & Safety Site Inspections

Members agreed that the site inspections would take place on Thursday, 23 January 2020 at 11 am. Members would meet at the Reading Rooms; Councillor Newton would use the minibus to give it a run (if the battery has been charged). **ACTION: ALL.**

20.12 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

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

The meeting closed at 8.37 pm.