

## Curdridge Parish Council

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**Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting  
held on Thursday 18 June 2015 at 7.00 pm  
at Reading Rooms, Curdridge**

**Those Present:** Mr K Bundell (Chairman), Mr E Bodger (Vice Chairman), Mrs J, Furby, Mr R Kemp, Mrs N Lockyer Mrs L Newton and Mrs C Weaver.

**Apologies:** Mr Humby and Mr Ruffell

**In attendance:** Mr D Murray (Clerk)

### **PUBLIC SESSION**

There were 14 members of the public present. As all interests were with regards to items on the Agenda the Chairman decided to take those matters first, after apologies and declarations of interests, and have a short public participation before the relevant items so that residents' concerns could be listened to in context. The Chairman also introduced Mrs Whittle, who had been offered and accepted the job of the new Clerk to the Parish Council.

#### **15/38 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

There were no Declarations of Interest

#### **15/39 TO DISCUSS AND, WHERE APPLICABLE, RESOLVE MATTERS RELATING TO PARISH COUNCIL PROPERTIES AND THE PARISH**

#### **15/40 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE ACTIONS ON CURRENT ISSUES INCLUDING:**

**i. 5 (a, i) Car parking issues in and around Church Lane**

At 7.08 the Chairman suspended the meeting and asked those with issues about the car parking in the Church lane area to speak. Residents spoke about the Hopscotch nursery staff using the Cemetery car park rather than their internal spaces, about the primary school staff using Church Lane for parking rather than the Car Park, and the resulting damage to and loss of verges. After 2 minutes the meeting resumed. Members discussed the difficulties of applying Traffic Regulation Orders. The Chairman reported on his observational research which showed that there were normally some 11 cars from Hopscotch parked in the top corner of the cemetery Car Park. At the end of Primary School when parents arrived to pick up the children there were usually 4-5 spaces still available in the car park. Furthermore, the same number again of parking spaces were lost to poor parking. The possibility of marking out parking spaces (either painted or using split logs), of gating the car park, and of talking to the manager at Hopscotch again, were discussed. A member of the public who'se child attends Hopscotch, offered to help spread the word about more considerate parking, which was welcomed. Park and Stride was also mentioned. It was proposed by Mr Bundell and seconded

by Mrs Furby that the costs of marking out parking spaces be investigated as a way forward. It was also agreed that Mr Bundell would speak to Hopscotch again.

ii. **5 (a,ii) High and overgrown hedge issues**

Public participation was opened on this item with the meeting again being adjourned at 7.25. The high hedge on the boundary of the properties in Lockhams Road was mentioned by the owner of one of the affected properties. She stated that an appeal had been lodged. Comment was made on the seemingly erroneous calculations used and that no response had been gained from emails to Mr Humby. At 7.28 the meeting reconvened. The Clerk was asked to elicit a response from Mr Humby. Hedges at Outlands Lane were also mentioned by a member of the public.

iii. **5 (b,i) 15/01166/FUL 6 Hillside Kitnocks Hill, Curdridge**

This item was taken next with the meeting being adjourned for Public Participation at 7.30. The owners of 6 Kitnocks explained what had gone wrong with the build of the extension to their property in that it had deviated from the consented plans coming some 4 bricks forward of the correct line and had therefore created a difference in the roofline with the adjoining property. The owner of the adjoining property also put forwards their opinion of the problem that had been created and that there were alternatives to taking the whole extension down. At 7.35 the meeting reconvened.

Whilst acknowledging the builder's errors, Members discussed the application as if it was what had been originally before them and whether they would have supported with a difference being created in the roofline of the properties and the wall being brought forwards.

It was proposed by Mr Bundell and seconded by Mrs Newton that the application should be referred to Winchester CC Planning Committee for decision as the Parish Council found itself unable to resolve the complex problems created.

iv. **5 (b, iii) 15/01092/FUL Briar Wood, Outlands Lane, Curdridge**

At 7.40 the meeting was adjourned for Public Participation the owner spoke about the reductions proposed to plans that had already gained approval. The revisions would create a smaller footprint. At 7.50 the meeting was resumed Mr Kemp reported on his visit and he proposed that the application be supported, this was seconded by Mr Bodger and all agreed.

**15/41 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 21 MAY 2015.**

With the correction of a typing mistake on the date and the addition of Mr Kemp to the PACT meeting representation it was proposed by Mrs Newton and seconded by Mrs Weaver that the minutes be approved. All agreed.

**15/42 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.**

As they were not present there was no report.

**15/43 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE ACTIONS ON CURRENT ISSUES INCLUDING**

This item was returned to commencing with 5 (a, iii)

v. **Parish Council presence at the village show**

Mrs Newton reported she had mentioned this possibility to Miss Flower and the Parish Council could be given a pitch. It was proposed by Mrs Newton and seconded by Mrs Weaver that a Council stall be provided in

principle. It was agreed as a good idea, and that some thought would be needed.

**vi. Noisy neighbours**

Mr Kemp briefed Members on the issues, and that he had the reporting details for the noise nuisance team at WCC. Mrs Furby explained the process if nuisance noise comes up at the Magistrates' Court.

**vii. Events licensing**

Mr Bundell reported on the licensing system for events and that property owners could apply for up to 12 events per year so long as they involved less than 500 people and less than 7 days in duration and only the police or environmental health could object beforehand. If the event was greater than 500 people then 28 days' notice would need to be given and the Parish Council would be informed. It was Mr Bundell's understanding that no application had yet been received for the Festival at Pinkmead proposed last year.

**viii. Calcot stables screening**

Mr Bundell reported that the original planting scheme had been rejected and that a new scheme had now been submitted.

**ix. Minibus maintenance costs**

Mrs Newton questioned whether a sponsor could be sought for contributions or grants for a replacement minibus when one was due. A suggestion of the local Rotary was made and agreed to be approached through Carey Blake.

**x. 15/01064/LIS Hill Farm Botley Road, Curdridge**

Mrs Weaver reported on her site visit and that the winter weather had destroyed the outbuilding roof. The application was to replace the roof. It was noted that all the work undertaken by the owner had been to a high standard as well as very sympathetically done. The quality of the restoration work was applauded. Mrs Weaver proposed that the application be supported this was seconded by Mrs Newton and all agreed.

**xi. 15/01059/FUL Fairthorne Grange, Botley Road, Curbridge**

It was noted that this was for a tennis court no comment was made.

**xii. To note delegated and committee decisions by the planning authority.**

The delegated decisions as below were noted:

**15/00512/TPO** Mr Jon Callcutt Proposal: 1 no. Oak to fell, Street Record Botley Road Curbridge: **Application Permitted**

**15/00574/FUL** Mr & Mrs N Wyatt Proposal: Single storey and two storey extensions to existing dwelling and detached garage with store, Fairthorne Grange Botley Road Curbridge SO30 2HB: **Application Permitted**

**15/00883/FUL** Mr & Mrs R Kemp (HOUSEHOLDER) Proposed single and double storey rear extension and window alterations Thatchers Wood Kitnocks Hill Curbridge SO32 2HJ: **Application Permitted**

**xiii. To discuss and agree the progression of filling the Casual Vacancy**

It was noted from the Clerk that there had not been a call for an election and that the Council could now Co-opt a new Member. Members discussed the options and on advice agreed that it should be an item on the next Full Council Agenda and applicants should submit a short précis on why they want to become a Parish Councillor and should be invited to the next meeting to answer any questions Members might have.

**15/44 TO NOTE THE PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**

**15/45 TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE**

The following items were noted:

- i. Botley PC Letter to WCC re Air Quality issues arising from NoW plans
- ii. C Stefanczuk – clarification on licensing
- iii. SLCC – Pensions briefing/presentation
- iv. Wrightsure Minibus insurance
- v. S Whetnall – No Bye-election called confirmation

**15/46 TO APPROVE THE FINANCE REPORT DATED 18 JUNE 2015, CHEQUE SIGNING AND PAYMENTS.**

The Finance report for 18 June was accepted as proposed by Mrs Weaver and seconded by Mr Bodger. The cheques were signed by Mrs Newton and Mr Kemp.

**15/47 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS**

Mrs Furby commented on how lovely the new memorial benches looked, and suggested that in the orchid period in the future it would be helpful if a small pat could be kept cut leading up to them. The drainage ditch at the side of the cemetery path had collapsed slightly on the lower side and Mrs Furby asked if John Clements could be asked to look at it.

Mr Kemp reported back on the recent PACT meeting.

Mrs Newton commented on the water tap at the pond and that it needed to be fixed this weekend.

Mr Bundell reported that he had contacted Highways in his personal capacity regarding verge and hedge cutting at the bottom of Outlands Lane. The Highways Officer had agreed to add the turning head and pathway to their list and reported that the verge along the A3051 was already included Mr Bundell also reported that he would be attending a meeting with the North of Whiteley developers concerning a new timetable for the development..

That being all the business concluded the meeting closed at 9.08 pm

Signed ..... Chairman