

# MINUTES OF THE MICHELDEVER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held virtually (using Zoom)

at 7.40pm on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Councillors present: Anne Freeland(Chairman until 7.50pm), Andrew Adams, Graham Foot, Neil Hornby, David Wandless, Roger Townsend, William Helen (from 7.50pm and Chairman from 7.50pm), Peter O'Keefe (from 8.20pm).  
In attendance: HCCLlr Jackie Porter, DCllr Stephen Godfrey.  
Clerk: Jocelyn Jenkins  
Public: None.  
Apologies: Cllr Olive Bramley, Cllr Charlotte Cobb.

**989 CODE OF CONDUCT** Cllr Adams – Warren Centre (NPI), Cllr Helen – East Stratton Village Hall (NPI). Cllr Wandless – noted an interest in the quotes for Warren Field (as at 997.1 below).

**990 MINUTES** of the (virtual) Ordinary Parish Council meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> September were **agreed**.

**991 MATTERS ARISING** from the minutes

991.1 980.1 Village Clock The clock service took place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Off agenda.

*The meeting adjourned for reports and questions from the public*

## **992 REPORTS**

992.1 HCCLlr Jackie Porter supplied a written report (Appendix 1) but noted that the information relating to the future of hospital services in Hampshire has been superseded by a statement in Parliament today that Basingstoke hospital is to be replaced and Winchester upgraded.

HCCLlr Porter also drew attention to Healthy Start vouchers for children. She will promote these through an item in the Dever and provide a poster for the noticeboards.

No tenders were received for the enforcement work at Carousel Park and a revised tender is being issued.

HCCLlr Porter will be meeting with Police and doing a site visit.

A date is still awaited for the A303 flood mitigation work. Three cars became stuck over the weekend and

HCCLlr Porter has taken photos to add to the petition for prompt action.

From 1<sup>st</sup> October, Ray Gardner is no longer the Highways Engineer for this area and the role has been passed to Tristram Kettle but Ray can be copied in to any emails sent to Tristram.

The new bus and taxi services are not really being used at present and it is difficult to judge how useful they would be in normal times.

992.2 DCllr Stephen Godfrey noted that the City Council have agreed the changes to their budget as detailed last month. The Cabinet have also agreed a response to the first of the Government planning consultations and to investigate and explore the idea of a green belt in southern Hampshire.

Changes to parking charges in the City centre have been introduced and the width restrictions and road closures for social distancing will remain for the foreseeable future.

The Planning Department looked at the parking for the Northbrook Arms and noted that it should be adequate.

Any obstructive parking in the village would be a Police matter as there are no parking restrictions.

A parking survey is being undertaken as part of the proposal for the development at Southbrook Cottages.

Stratton Lane Brewery are looking for grant support and DCllr Godfrey is trying to understand the options available. They were not eligible for the original grants as they were not registered for business rates.

## **993 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

No questions were received from the public.

*The meeting resumed*

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**994 CORRESPONDENCE** received by the Clerk in the past month:

HALC Mini Conferences	Taking place virtually on 20 <sup>th</sup> October and 4 <sup>th</sup> November.	Noted.
Winchester City Council	Consultation on new Council Tax Reduction scheme.	Noted.
Community First	Free PPE is available to charities and community organisations.	Noted.

## 995 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

995.1	<u>New Applications</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Draft comments</u>
476	Micheldever Hse, Duke Street.	Ash to fell.	<b>No comment.</b>
477	15 Ellis Drive, Micheldever Stn.	Single storey rear extension.	<b>No comment.</b>
478	2 Warren Corner, Micheldever Stn.	3 bay oak framed garage to front of property.	<b>Object</b> – not consistent with VDS principles ie garages not to be put in front of build line.
479	2 The Clock Hse, Basingstoke Rd	Single storey rear extension.	<b>No comment.</b>
480	HCC Asphalt Wks, Stockbridge Rd	Installation of 30m high lattice tower with antennas and dishes.	<b>No comment.</b>
481	19 Dever Close, Micheldever	Walnut to reduce.	<b>No comment.</b>
482	Sunnyview, Duke St, Micheldever	Variation to 19/01884/HOU to replace flat roof with 3 hips to rear and to alter windows on east elevation.	<b>Extension to comments date to be requested to allow consideration of application.</b>
995.2	The draft comments on 476 to 481 were <b>agreed</b> .		
995.3	984.3 <u>Affordable Housing &amp; Exception Sites</u>	Helen Farnham (WCC Project Manager for New Homes) has advised that she is awaiting feedback from the pre-application site visit and will then arrange a meeting with representatives from the Parish Council prior to holding a public consultation. As noted at 992.2, a parking survey is being conducted as part of the proposals for development at Southbrook Cottages.	
995.4	984.4 <u>Village Design Statement</u>	Cllr O’Keefe advised that a couple of further photos are required in order to complete the VDS. HCCllr Porter noted that it needs to be submitted to WCC before January.	
995.5	984.5 <u>Winchester Local Plan 2036 &amp; Call for sites</u>	Cllr Hornby has circulated a draft response to the Government’s second planning consultation and councillors were asked to review and comment upon this. The Parish Council’s response needs to be submitted by 29 <sup>th</sup> October. It was noted that the proposed basis, of building more houses where prices are high, would lead to a great increase in the number of houses which would have to be built in the Winchester District but a reduction in the numbers for Basingstoke.	
995.6	984.6 <u>Carousel Park</u>	Winchester City Council are awaiting responses to the revised tender and will also be liaising with Portsmouth City Council who carry out similar work.	

## 996 PARISH SERVICES

- 996.1 985.1 Highways Matters A third quote will be sought for the repair to the wall at the War Memorial as the two quotes received to date vary significantly.
- 996.2 985.2 Pavement Micheldever Station to railway bridge A site meeting is to be held with HCC Countryside Services to explore the possibility of upgrading the woodland path.
- 996.3 985.3 Network Rail Reports have been received of a significant number of vehicles parking at Borough Arch.
- 996.4 985.4 Parking in Micheldever Station The current low use of the railway has led to there being spaces available in the current car park.
- 996.5 985.5 SLR & Speed Surveys Andy Smith (HCC Safer Roads Team Leader) has advised that work will now resume on community projects and routine work such as signs and road markings.
- 996.6 985.6 Rights of Way information boards An invoice is awaited. Off agenda.
- 996.7 985.7 Local bus services See 992.1 above. Off agenda.
- 996.8 985.8 A303 Flooding See 992.1 above.

## 997 SPORTS & RECREATION

- 997.1 986.1 Warren Field & Play Area Football Association funding has been applied for towards new goal posts at

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Warren Field. A grant of up to £400 was **agreed** to make up the shortfall in the full cost of the posts. Field security and fencing Cllr Wandless, who has been seeking quotes for the fencing work, declared an interest as his son is one of those who has quoted for the work.

It was **agreed** that Cllr Wandless will continue to oversee the project but will not vote on the quotes received or on the type of fencing to be installed. Other councillors will have full oversight of the communications between Cllr Wandless and contractors.

Three quotes were sought to re-use, where possible, the fencing from the old play area. Two quotes have been received but the third contractor declined to quote. A further quote was received for black ‘estate style’ fencing. There was a split of views on whether estate style fencing was appropriate but as the

majority of councillors were interested in considering this option, it was **agreed** to obtain two further quotes for consideration at November's meeting.

997.2 986.2 LRPF Pavilion & Play Area The Chairman of the Worthys Football has asked for permission to supply pavilion keys to each of the three coaches who use the LRPF for football training. He has confirmed that he will take full responsibility for all keys and will keep a record of who holds them. This was **agreed** but a request will be made that each coach checks the pavilion upon arrival and then promptly reports any issues.

## 998 FINANCE

998.1 Accounts for payment were **agreed**:

		Total	VAT	Net	
2497	Colin Thatcher	Grass cutting East Stratton (July & Aug)	90.00	0.00	90.00
2498	David Wandless	SLR batteries	127.57	21.26	106.31
2499	SSE	Electricity – LRPF pavilion	145.68	6.93	138.75
2500	Citizens Advice	Grant	300.00	0.00	300.00
2501	WCC	Dog bins (July)	40.00	0.00	40.00
2502	Nursery Agric.Servs.	Installation of height barrier	672.00	112.00	560.00
2503	Grass & Grounds Ltd	August grass cutting	592.80	98.80	494.00
2504	HMRC	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr PAYE	391.71	0.00	391.71
2505	Cumbria Clock Co.	Clock service	222.00	37.00	185.00
2506	Jocelyn Jenkins	September expenses	120.87	8.38	112.49
2507	Jocelyn Jenkins	September salary	790.44	0.00	790.44
	DD NEST	September pension contributions	177.74	0.00	177.74
	DD PWLB	Loan repayment – Loan 2 (Warren Centre)	2443.43	0.00	2443.43
2508	Colin Thatcher	Grass cutting East Stratton (September)	60.00	0.00	60.00

## RFO's Report

998.2 987.2 Balances & Bank reconciliation Balances report 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.

Cash held: £72,037.35. Reserves: Earmarked: £63,612. General: £8423.

998.3 987.3 Bank Accounts An application has been made to the Co-Operative Bank.

998.4 987.4 Risk Management & Covid Response Cllr Adams advised that the Church have now closed the food bank and donated any remaining items to the Winchester Food Bank.

998.5 987.5 Annual Return 2019/20 A response is awaited from the external auditor.

998.6 New 2021/22 Budget A Finance Committee meeting will be held as soon as the budget papers are ready.

## 999 OTHER COMMITTEES

999.1 988.1 Northbrook Hall The AGM is to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

999.2 988.2 The Warren Centre The hedge is to be cut this week. There has been a very encouraging response to the call for new committee members.

999.3 988.3 East Stratton Village Hall No report.

999.4 988.4 Allotments The renewal letters have been issued.

999.5 988.5 Media and Broadband No report.

999.6 988.6 Monthly Dever item Summary of the Government planning proposals and a link to the document WCC are publishing.

999.7 Other Council matters None.

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***The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm***

**Next meeting:** This is scheduled for 7.30pm Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020. It will be a virtual meeting and full details will be provided with the agenda and on the website.

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