

**MINUTES of the MEETING of WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC)**  
**Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney**

Present: Cllr Lucy Dowson (Chairman), Cllr Clive Cook, Cllr Charlotte Lance.  
 In attendance: WCCllr Stephen Godfrey, WCCllr Caroline Horrill.  
 Public: Mr Alan Sherwood.  
 Clerk: Jocelyn Jenkins

		Minutes		R
1782	1.1	<b>Apologies for Absence.</b> Cllr Pauline Maunders, Cllr Judith Polak.	Closed	
1783	1.2	<b>Any Declarations of Interest to be declared/dispensations agreed.</b> Cllr Cook – Watercress Way (NPI).	Closed	
1784	1.3	<b>Minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were agreed and signed.</b>	Closed	
1785	1.4	<b>Co-option</b> No candidates for co-option attended the meeting.		
	2	<b><u>Reports – the meeting adjourned during reports.</u></b>		
	2.1	<b>The Public:</b> <b>Mr Alan Sherwood</b> attended the meeting to express his concern over the speed of traffic through Wonston. He noted that this is a particular issue at night and early in the morning but is also a concern when the A34 is closed and traffic diverts through the village. The Chairman noted that the Parish Council have pursued this issue a number of times. A speed survey indicated that the volume of traffic was more of a problem than their speed. It was further noted that Hampshire County Council highways funding is directed where casualties have occurred and would not currently therefore be available. Community funded initiatives are possible, to install safety features such as village gateways, but many of these have previously been considered unsuitable for Wonston due to the lack of space for their installation.		
	2.2	<b>Report from HCCllr Jackie Porter:</b> HCCllr Porter did not attend the meeting but submitted a written report which noted consultations currently underway on the Home to School Transport Policy and the Hampshire Library Service. It was further noted that fly tipping incidents are rising and residents are urged to continue to report these via WCC or HCC. HCC have a car-share scheme, Hants Carshare, which residents can join for free by registering with their email address or Facebook account. The more people who join and submit journeys, the greater the chances of a lift share match. The County budget, to be approved in mid February, is a 'holding revenue budget' but massive cuts are planned again for the following year. HCCllr Porter has met with residents, to find out their requirements, following the replacement of the 95/96 bus service. A bookable taxi share is now being considered as an alternative.		
	2.3	<b>Report from WCCllr Stephen Godfrey:</b> WCCllr Godfrey noted that the City Council are currently setting their budget. The cabinet met this morning and will seek approval on the 26 <sup>th</sup> February for a 3% increase in Council Tax and parking charges in the City. Park and Ride charges are set to increase by 50p or 16%. Charges will also be introduced for garden waste collections. WCCllr Godfrey noted that the clearance work carried out at Bogmoor Sump by the Lengthsman is very good. He suggested that further clearance work could be carried out on the opposite side of the roundabout when the Lengthsman visits in March.		
	2.4	<b>Report from WCCllr Caroline Horrill:</b> WCCllr Horrill noted that a new Local Plan Committee was announced at this morning's City Council cabinet meeting. This committee will liaise with Town and Parish Councils. The installation of more high-speed charging points was also announced and there was a commitment to continue with the building of more affordable housing.		
		The meeting resumed after reports.		
1786	3	<b><u>Correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting.</u></b>		
		The Council discussed and agreed actions for the following issues:		
1786.1	3.1	<b>WCC Crowdfunding Scheme</b> – Up to £2000 funding available for projects able to demonstrate that they can contribute to the council's priorities, such as tackling the climate emergency or driving the local economy. The details were noted.	Closed	
1786.2	3.2	<b>Environment Agency</b> – Details provided of the maintenance activities currently carried out in the Parish (River Dever).	Closed	
1786.3	3.3	<b>HALC Conference 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b> – To be held at the Doubletree Hilton, Chilworth, Southampton. Details noted.	Closed	
1786.4	3.4	<b>Wilder Villages March 28<sup>th</sup> 10am – 12 Noon</b> – The meeting is to be held at the Victoria Hall, to discuss green communities, wildlife gardening, green streets, spaces for		

		pollinators etc. It was <b>agreed</b> that the Parish Council would pay for the cost of the hall hire and assist in promoting the event as required.																				
		<b>Matters arising from the minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.</b> The Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following issues:																				
1787	4	<b>General Matters</b>																				
1787.1	1776.1	<b>Gratton Trust:</b> <u>Fields in Trust Registration</u> – The application has been postponed pending reaching a boundary agreement with the Gratton Surgery. It was <b>agreed</b> to take this matter of the agenda. <u>Boundary with the Gratton Surgery</u> – A response is awaited from the Gratton Surgery. It was <b>agreed</b> to take this matter off the agenda. <u>Lease</u> – The Clerk noted that she had a further telephone conversation with the solicitor and that the details of the proposed lease have now been finalised. The Parish Council now need to agree a management scheme with the Gratton Trust. <u>Pavilion extension</u> – The Gratton Trust are still considering the different options and costs of extending the pavilion. It was <b>agreed</b> to take this matter off the agenda.	Clerk																			
1787.2	1776.2	<b>Affordable Housing:</b> The notice of the call for affordable sites has been sent for inclusion in the March edition of the West Dever News.	Clerk																			
1787.3	1776.3	<b>Emergency &amp; Flood Plans</b> – WCCllr Godfrey noted that the clearance by the Lengthsman at Bogmoor Sump has been done well and that the water is now flowing freely. The Clerk will check whether the Lengthsman was also able to clear the drain under the driveway of Mill House.	Clerk																			
1787.4	1776.4	<b>Remembrance Sunday Parade &amp; PA System</b> – Training on the new PA equipment is to take place on Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February with representatives from the Victoria Hall and Parish Council.	Clerk																			
1787.5	1776.5	<b>Parish Biodiversity &amp; Wildlife Enhancement</b> – See 1786.4 above. It was <b>agreed</b> to take this item off the agenda but to support the Wilder Villages meeting by paying the hall rental and to consider supporting any future requests for assistance.																				
1788	5	<b>PLAY AREAS</b> Council discussed and agreed actions for the following:																				
1788.1	1777.1	<b>Stoke Charity/Hunton Play Area (STCH&amp;H) – Monthly/Annual Inspection</b> As noted in January, the Lengthsman will be asked to carry out some cleaning and moss clearance when the weather improves.	Clerk																			
1788.2	1777.2	<b>Pigeonhouse Yard (PHY) Play Area – Monthly/Annual Inspection</b> Neil Soutar has quoted £40 for the repair to the slide and this has been accepted with a request that the repair is carried out as soon as the weather allows.	Clerk																			
1788.3	New	<b>2020 Grass Cutting Contract</b> – Neil Soutar has confirmed that he will not be increasing his price for 2020 and it was <b>agreed</b> to extend the grass cutting contract to 2020.																				
1789	6	<b>HIGHWAYS ISSUES - FOOTPATHS, GRIT BINS etc</b> Council discussed updates and agreed actions for the following:																				
1789.1	1778.1	<b>Bins</b> – The Clerk confirmed that the footpath which runs beside Carthegena is a Right of Way and that it should therefore be possible to site the new bin here.	Clerk																			
1789.2	1778.2	<b>Footpath 7 Access</b> – Despite reminders being sent, no response has been received from BCM to the request for a replacement gate where Footpath 7 joins the Victoria Hall car park. The Clerk will seek to make contact via the telephone.																				
1789.3	1778.3	<b>Oxford Road bus shelter</b> – Neil Soutar has quoted £106 for repairs to the bus shelter and it was <b>agreed</b> to formally accept the quote.																				
1789.4	New	<b>Lengthsman's visit 9<sup>th</sup> March</b> – The Lengthsman will be asked to complete any further work required on the drain under the driveway of Mill House and to carry out clearance work on the opposite side of the road near the roundabout.																				
1790	7	<b>PLANNING</b> New applications detailed below were considered and agreed as follows:																				
1790.1	589	38 Sutton Park Road, Sutton Scotney.	Dormer extension to loft room.	<b>20/00002/FUL</b> <b>No comment</b>																		
1790.2	1779.2	<b>Winchester Local Plan 2036 &amp; Call for sites (SHELAA)</b> – A call for brown field sites has now been made by WCC.																				
1790.3	1779.3	<b>Barton Stacey Incinerator Proposal</b> – No further updates have been received.																				
1791	8	<b>ACCOUNTS/AUDIT</b>																				
1791.1	1780.1	<b>Balances:</b> As at 31/01/20 General Reserves are £57,393.18 but after Earmarked Reserves are £17,577.18. Payments for February (detailed below) totalling £1393.33 were agreed by the Council.																				
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<b>1792</b>	<b>9</b>	<b><u>Other Council Matters</u></b>		
<b>1792.1</b>	<b>1781.1</b>	<b>Publicity &amp; Communications</b> – The Wilder Villages meeting will be promoted on the Facebook page.		
<b>1792.2</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Parish Assembly 2020</b> – The date was <b>agreed</b> as Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020.		
<b>1792.3</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Butial Ground</b> – A cremation plot request was formally <b>agreed</b> . Prices for the Burial Ground will be reviewed at the March meeting.		
<b>8.40pm</b>		<b>Next meeting - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b>		
<b>Signed: Chairman .....</b> <b>dated.....</b>				