

Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8 JUNE 2015 AT THE ROY UNDERDOWN PAVILION, COLLEGE PLAYING FIELDS, BARON ROAD, HAMBLE-LE-RICE AT 7.30 PM

Present

Cllr I Underdown – Chairman
Cllr M Atkinson
Cllr S Cohen
Cllr M Cross
Cllr M Davies
Cllr A Fish
Cllr C Fish
Cllr S Hamel
Cllr E Lear
Cllr W Pepper
Cllr M Venables

In attendance

Brendan Gibbs – Clerk to the Council
Lorraine Smith - Assistant Clerk
Judy Hickman - Minutes Secretary
PC Mark Arnold

To receive apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Hand.

201/61/15

To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hamel declared an interest in Planning, and dispensations relating to the Dinghy Park and Foreshore. Cllr Cohen declared membership of the Royal Southern Yacht Club. Cllr Underdown declared a dispensation in matters relating to the Foreshore and the Dinghy Park. Cllr Pepper declared an interest in the Hamble Club. Cllr Davies declared an interest in an item relating to the Memorial Hall on the orders for payment.

202/61/15

To accept the minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 26 May 2015

Regarding the Hallam appeal, Cllr Hamel said she felt that some information regarding Eastleigh Borough Council had not been clearly minuted. Cllr Underdown asked her to clarify this later in the Borough Councillor's report. Cllr Davies proposed, Cllr Pepper seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2015 as a true record.

203/61/15

Public Session

PC Mark Arnold reported that within the last month there had been one burglary from a dwelling and two non-dwelling burglaries. Six incidents of criminal damage to motor vehicles on one night were linked to a party which got out of hand. Currently the main community policing priority was anti-social behaviour especially around Spitfire Way. Nine youths had been referred for correction of their behaviour. The police had been working with local schools to raise awareness of the dangers of swimming in open water and jumping off pontoons and this would form part of their anti-social behaviour campaign during the summer. PC Arnold was liaising with the Clerk to provide new signage and paint. Project Kraken was still ongoing and an arrest had been made in Warsash. The Royal Southern Yacht Club was supporting charitable efforts to provide a new boat and had arranged trips for young carers and young disabled from Hamble Secondary School as part of the Wet Wheels event on 19 June. Cllr Underdown thanked PC Arnold for his report and asked him to pass on thanks also to PCSO Davenport.

204/61/15

Planning and Development Control

a) To consider any planning applications

F/15/76382 - Replacement of existing 15m high monopole with 20m high telecommunications

monopole and installation of 6no. Antennas, 2no. 300mm communication dishes, cable ladder and ancillary works at Port Hamble Marina, Satchell Lane, Hamble-le-Rice, Southampton SO31 4NN

Cllr Clive Fish proposed, Cllr Venables seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with planning officers.

Clerk
205/61/15

A/15/76522 – Display 1no. internally illuminated fascia sign at GE Aviation, Kings Avenue, Hamble-le-Rice. SO31 4NF

Cllr Clive Fish proposed, Cllr Angela Fish seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with planning officers.

Clerk
206/61/15

F/15/765530 – Installation of 39no. lights on Building 17 (comprising of 33no. beamer floodlights, 2no. beamer projectors, 3no. cylinder surface mounted lens wallwashers & 1no. powercast projector) at GE Aviation, Kings Avenue, Hamble, Southampton. SO31 4NF

Cllr Clive Fish proposed, Cllr Venables seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with planning officers.

Clerk
207/61/15

F/15/75999 – Consultation on amended plans.

Erection of Sports Pavilion with Changing room & Club area with provision of additional Car Parking following removal of existng temporary buildings (amended description) at Hamble Club Football Club, Hamble, Southampton SO31 4HU

In the light of discussions at the previous meeting, Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Clive Fish seconded, a majority agreed (Cllr Pepper abstained) and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with planning officers.

Clerk
208/61/15

b) To receive any Planning Decisions and Matters at Appeal

The list had been circulated and decisions noted.

209/61/15

c) Eastleigh Borough Council Draft Revised Statement of Community Involvement

Noted. A map of Hamble Conservation area had been circulated.

210/61/15

To receive reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllr Hamel (Eastleigh Borough Council) reported that she had spoken to officers at EBC about the forthcoming Hallam planning appeal and the e-mail which Cllr Lear had circulated prior to the previous Parish Council meeting, asking for the Secretary of State to call in the appeal. This had been discussed at EBC and approved by Cabinet. Complaints had been received about the car park at Hamble Point. Signs were not deterring overnight campers. The matter would be discussed at the next team meeting. Height barriers had been suggested and charging, both expensive options. EBC had made funding of £20,000 available to the Lifeboat project earlier than planned to allow windows and shutter doors to be ordered. EBC engineers were planning a site visit to Coronation Parade to see how best to use developers' contributions and would welcome parish councillors joining them at this meeting to give their views. Public art funding might be used at Coronation Parade for railings etc. Suggestions were also invited for ways of spending open space funds at Mount Pleasant (£17,000 available). The area could be improved to make it more suitable for older people, possibly with some adult exercise equipment or improvements to the entrances and more benches. Ideas should be sent to the Area Co-ordinator. The Hallam planning hearing would start on 23 June at Lowford Community Centre. The car park south of the railway had been approved, with the preferred option of access from the Police Training Ground. A feasibility study had already been carried out and plans would now be drawn up. EBC would support free parking for the Farmers Market in September. Hamble Women's Business Group was seeking to support small business and attract more visitors to Hamble.

Cllr Underdown asked for the availability of developers' contributions to be placed on the next agenda. He had received e-mail from Mike Parker about development and communication between councils. Cllr Hamel had seen this and agreed that people should be working together and that there was not enough communication regarding appeals.

CLAg

Cllr Lear (Eastleigh Borough Council)

Cllr Lear said she was delighted with the decision regarding the land south of the station, as this had been suggested in 2011 by former chairman Ben Curtis. She was investigating issues with the Old Coffee House in Rope Walk which was currently an eyesore. A children's choir had been started up in the village and Cllr Lear had secured £100 of funding for the choir from the primary school. She had obtained a new shed for the Hamble Lane Men's Shed via a donation from a friend. Residents of Hamble Lane had complained about people parking outside the allotments. The Clerk said the landowner, HCC, took the view that if sight lines are not obscured they would not get involved. Cllr Lear was also dealing with a long-standing neighbours' dispute over a hedge.

211/61/15

Finance**a) Orders for Payment for May and June 2015**

Cllr Pepper asked for clarification about an invoice from Hedleys solicitors. The Clerk reported that this was in respect of a long-running dispute between the Council and a home owner regarding encroachment. Some discussion followed and Cllr Underdown asked for the matter to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. Cllr Pepper proposed, Cllr Cross seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the Orders for Payment for May and June 2015. The Clerk would query the bill from Southern Water.

CL2Ag
212/61/15**b) To receive the April 2015 Salary Journal**

Cllr Lear proposed, Cllr Clive Fish seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the April 2015 Salary Journal.

213/61/15

c) To receive a report regarding the Parish Council's office accounting procedures

The Clerk had circulated a quotation for councillors to consider outsourcing accounting services. He said he had no formal accounting qualifications, and although he had learnt a great deal since joining the Council, he felt he could not always answer questions in a timely manner, and outsourcing to a specialist accounting supplier would free up time to deal with other work. Cllr Atkinson asked how outsourcing would benefit the Council. The Clerk said it would mean more timely and accurate reporting and more accurate answers to questions. Cllr Hamel asked whether on-call costs would disappear. The Clerk thought they would reduce but not disappear altogether. He would bring more information and other quotations to a future meeting.

Clerk
214/61/15**Well Lane path to Marina Drive – to receive a report from the Leases Working Party**

The Leases Working Party had met. Advice from the Council's solicitors was quite clear. The Working Party was of the view that the Council should confirm that it had no intention of proceeding with any diversions from the path. Cllr Cohen said that before making a resolution the Council needed to discuss one piece of information with Eastleigh Borough Council. She wanted to find out about the difference of treatment of the two paths and why EBC considered that there was no obligation regarding maintenance and public access; and to delve more into why Hampshire County Council refused to adopt the paths. She would liaise with the Clerk regarding these enquiries.

205/61/13

Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council Secure Storage – to receive a report from the Clerk

The Council would shortly submit a planning application.

239/61/12

Hamble Lifeboat Station Construction Project – to receive a report from the Clerk

Cllr Underdown reported that a meeting had been held with Project Manager Ben Moore, Lifeboat Trustee Roger Harding and Harbour Master David Evans. Problems with the roof had caused delays. The Trustees did not want the style of fence which was an Eastleigh Borough Council planning requirement. The project had received a donation of £10,000 from a member of the Royal Southern Yacht Club. Mr Moore was not fully aware of the financial implications for the Parish Council regarding the dinghy park and the toilets. He would be able to hand back part of the dinghy park on 22nd June and hoped to complete the project by 17th August weather permitting.

As he had further information to report, Cllr Underdown proposed, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to go into exempt business.

215/61/15

On return to the public meeting, Cllr Underdown said that following clarification questions, it was

agreed there should be regular meetings during the construction project. The Lifeboat Trustees were told of the Council's resolution to provide toilets at the foreshore. Ben Moore was asked to provide information about temporary toilets but this had not been received. The Clerk had discussed this with the Head Groundsman and the proprietor of the Blue Star Café. He had obtained quotations from two suppliers for temporary event units involving three ladies' toilets, one urinal and one male cubicle, at a cost of around £390 +VAT per week. Neither supplier could cover both July and August, but it was possible to have a changeover at the end of July. The proprietor of the Blue Star Café did not want any financial contribution, nor did he wish to make any agreement to advertise his toilet facilities as being available to the disabled. Cllr Atkinson proposed, Cllr Cohen seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to provide temporary toilets at the foreshore for the months of July and August, as per the quotations obtained by the Clerk.

Cllr Underdown proposed that the Council should write to the Lifeboat Trustees asking for full information about their current financial situation in respect of ordering and the amount spent so far, to be made available before the next meeting, so that any decisions the Council had to make would be on a sound basis. It was agreed that information about the temporary toilets would be published in the next two issues of the Village Magazine, citing the reasons for the construction delays.

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GE Aviation Systems Ltd – to note the receipt of Land Registry document HP170301 describing the land and estate shown in the registry title

Previously circulated. Cllr Pepper proposed, Cllr Angela Fish seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to write to GE Aviation stating the Council has always supported community sport and recreation facilities in the village and would not wish to see the loss of the high quality facilities at the GE Aviation premises.

216/61/15

Hallam Lane Management Ltd Planning Appeal (Land at Hamble Station – to receive a report from Cllr Lear

Cllr Lear reported that at its Cabinet meeting on 21 May, Eastleigh Borough Council decided to ask the Secretary of State to call in the Hallam application. Cllr Lear thought the Parish Council should join EBC as consultees because it would carry more weight and should ask Hound Parish Council if it wished to be a consultee too. There were some questions and comments about the call-in process. In response to a question from Cllr Underdown on what grounds EBC were asking for the call-in, Cllr Lear said air pollution and infrastructure. The local MP had already written to the Secretary of State. Cllr Lear proposed, Cllr Venables seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to join Eastleigh Borough Council in the call-in process as a consultee and to seek to add Hound PC to the consultees' list.

217/61/15

The Henville Educational Foundation – to receive a report from Cllr Underdown

Cllr Underdown, as a trustee of this educational charity helping people under 24, had lodged a copy of the annual accounts at the Council offices.

218/61/15

The Hamble Point Car Park – to receive a report from Cllr Lear

Cllr Lear said a number of people had approached her about the car park and that the Council needed to do something about it as soon as possible. Cllr Hamel said this was due to be discussed by Eastleigh Borough Council.

219/61/15

Car Parking at the Hamble Foreshore – to receive a report from Cllr Underdown

A white spot had been painted in the proposed location of the new bollard and it had been marked out using a car's length. Cllr Underdown had asked councillors to look at it and unless a majority voted against, the bollard would be installed in this position. Some discussion followed. Cllr Hamel proposed putting the bollard one foot further in, but had no seconder. The Chairman said would be installed in the location of the white spot.

281/92/12

To complete the appointment of the councillor representatives on outside bodies and Parish Council Working Parties

Cllr Underdown proposed from the chair, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllr Cohen would join the Grievance and Disciplinary Appeal panel.

191/52/15

To consider the following matters arising**Hamble River Raid**

Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Angela Fish seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to close the minute.

50/21/15**Westfield Common Improvements**

The flora and fauna report was still outstanding but was expected in time for the next meeting.

53/21/15**A Farmers Market in Hamble**

No correspondence had been received from the representative.

113/32/15**The Westfield Common Private Road**

The Clerk had spoken with GE Aviation. There would be no change in the status of the road, which would remain in their private ownership. GE had indicated that they would not be seeking any apportionment from the Council at this time relating to improvements of the private lane. Cllr Lear said a resident had told her lorries were still going down the lane, and the Clerk was asked to find out the current situation as far as temporary use was concerned.

181/52/15**To authorise the Clerk to deal with correspondence relating to Council matters including:-****a. From Eastleigh Borough Council**

Planning Policy and Implementation newsletter (previously circulated).

Berry Farm – advance notification of a resubmitted planning application. The item would be discussed at the next meeting.

Proposed Hamble Halt car park - e-mail from an EBC consultant inviting comments.

220/61/15**b. From Hampshire County Council**

None received.

221/61/15**c. Other correspondence**

The Hampshire Probation Service – correspondence regarding a complaint (previously circulated).

Local Government Boundary Commission – electoral review of Hampshire County Council – noted.

222/61/15**Exempt Business**

The Chairman proposed, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the public and press be excluded.

223/61/15

Matters to be discussed included the allotments at Hamble Station, the Hamble Lifeboat Ltd building agreement and the provision of a trip boat at the Hamble Foreshore.

The meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.