

Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE ROY UNDERDOWN PAVILION, COLLEGE PLAYING FIELDS, BARON ROAD, HAMBLE-LE-RICE AT 7.30 PM

Present

Cllr I Underdown – Chairman
Cllr S Hand - Vice Chairman
Cllr M Atkinson
Cllr S Cohen
Cllr M Cross
Cllr M Davies
Cllr A Fish
Cllr C Fish
Cllr E Lear (late arrival)
Cllr W Pepper
Cllr M Venables

In attendance

Brendan Gibbs – Clerk to the Council
Judy Hickman - Minutes Secretary
PCSO Phil Davenport, Sergeant Mark O'Hanlon, PCSO Danni Reader – Hampshire Constabulary
Michael Clarke, Penny Clarke, Mick Kneller, John Lea, Tim Redman, Colin Williams – Hamble Club Football Club

To receive apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Hamel and Cllr Lear (late arrival).

405/112/15

To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllr Cohen declared membership of the Royal Southern Yacht Club. Cllr Angela Fish declared an interest in the Foreshore. Cllr Hand declared dispensations relating to the Dinghy Park and Foreshore and an interest in Footpath 5 at the Royal Southern Yacht Club. Cllr Underdown declared dispensations relating to the Foreshore and the Dinghy Park. Cllr Pepper declared an interest in the Hamble Club and the Hamble Club Football Club. Cllr Clive Fish declared an interest in the Foreshore. Cllr Davies declared an interest in Hamble Allotments.

406/112/15

To accept the minutes of the Council meetings held on 12 and 26 October 2015

Some minor changes had been made to the wording of minute 368/101/15 and circulated. Cllr Hand proposed, Cllr Venables seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meetings held on 12 and 26 October 2015 as a true record.

407/112/15

Public Session

PCSO Phil Davenport thanked the Council for its work on the foreshore in the summer. There had been no problems with anti-social behaviour (ASB) and the Harbour Master had helped with awareness work on safety. The police planned to work with the RNLI and other agencies in 2016 with presentations in schools that would be backed up with a digital campaign. Water safety information was on the website thanks to the Clerk. On land he reported a 66% reduction in ASB. The police had identified some individuals and were working with the youth crime prevention team. A 7.30 p.m. curfew had been very effective. There were other issues, in particular burglaries targeting garages and expensive bicycles. New lighting at Coronation Parade paid for by the Parish Council had allowed the police to obtain some good CCTV footage.

Sergeant O'Hanlon had spoken to the Council earlier in the year about the impact of spending cuts on local communities. In the Hedge End area the communities were working together to reduce ASB and looking to get local facilities right such as improving lighting etc. It was important to identify problems early. Regarding the pontoon, this year prevention work had been good and the police were pleased with the response from both the schools and a BBC documentary they used. He would work with the Harbour Master to try to improve things further. He asked the Council to help publicise the burglaries. Cyclists were using apps which made them vulnerable, providing too much

information about their location including home address. Over the last few months, he had been working with colleagues on travelling criminals breaking into cars. Unfortunately most victims had left their cars unlocked.

Cllr Underdown asked about the possibility of marine policing being cut. Sergeant O'Hanlon said most forces had to reduce their spending by 40%. All departments had to review how they worked and to modernise. Most of the marine work involved counter-terrorism and trafficking and was funded by the Home Office. Policing the waterways might have to involve local organisations.

Cllr Underdown asked about police work with schools. Sergeant O'Hanlon said the police had been in consultation with the Area Co-ordinator. Hampshire County Council would not provide any grant, so the only way to fund HYPE was through the three parish councils. Youth provision in the area was needed; otherwise ASB and drug use would rise, among other things. In Hedge End the three parishes had worked together and were employing their own youth worker. Cllr Underdown asked about the outreach work at HYPE. Sergeant O'Hanlon said this was still ongoing but needed to be reviewed. There were other kinds of useful provision, such as Friday night football, using local facilities. A small amount of funding could help. Cllr Lear said many young people from the Southampton area went to HYPE because nothing was provided locally. PCSO Reader said the set-up in the area was unique. 33-35 % of pupils at Hamble Community College did not live in the catchment area, and the young people socialised with their peer groups. Cllr Underdown thanked the police for their comments and said that HYPE would be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Cllr Pepper commented on cyclists not using lights. Sergeant O'Hanlon said HCC provided information in local schools. Cllr Cohen asked if anything could be done to encourage cyclists to use the cycle lane on Hamble Lane. Sergeant O'Hanlon said he was working with the Clerk on signage following complaints from residents.

Hamble Club Football Club – Michael Clarke reported that work on the pavilion was progressing, the pitch had been sown and two games played already. The pavilion would be completed early in 2016. In 2005 HCFC had applied for floodlighting and a 50-seat stand. This had lapsed but architects were now working with Eastleigh Borough Council on a better design. The floodlights were needed to allow HCFC to join the Wessex League in 2016. Joining the league would enable HCFC to access grants, but they needed to make sure the Council was happy with the work going ahead, and the lights and stand. Cllr Underdown asked about the position of the stand which was originally planned for the far side. Mr Clarke said the Club would erect the stand in the same place. With a new pavilion there was no longer a problem with the changing rooms and three-phase electricity was being installed around the ground. Mr Clarke would provide plans within 3-4 days.

Tim Redman said HCFC had been accepted for a grant, but had received a document earlier in the day which included a condition that the lease should be with the Football Club itself rather than the Hamble Club. The Clerk said the Council's solicitors had recommended that if it wished to enter into a lease with HCFC, then the Club would have to demonstrate a continuous history back to 2005 (when HCFC signed the under lease) through minutes, Annual General Meetings etc. Some information had been provided but was insufficient. A draft lease was already prepared and since the name change from HCFC to the Hamble Club had not yet been made, it could be ready for signing quickly. Mr Redman said the Club could provide the information required. Cllr Underdown asked for this to be done as soon as possible. HCFC requested copies of the advice from the Council's solicitors and the Council was happy to provide this.

408/112/15

Planning and Development Control

a) To consider any planning applications

F/15/77377 - First floor front extension, single storey rear extension and front porch at 25 Satchell Lane, Hamble-le-Rice, Southampton. SO31 4HF

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

Clerk
409/112/15

*L/15/77364 and C/15/77139 - **Listed Building Consent:** Change of use of first floor office (B1a) to 2.no one bed flats (C3) at Capstan House, High St, Hamble. SO31 4HA*

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

Clerk
410/112/15

*L/15/77394 and C/15/77311 - **Listed Building Consent: Installation of fire escape/ exterior staircase (option C) at Royal Southern Yacht Club, Rope Walk. Hamble-le-Rice. SO31 4HB***

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

Clerk
411/112/15

C/15/77427 – 1&2 storey front, 2 storey side, rear conservatory and provision of first floor rear balcony, raising of roof, provision of front and side dormers and rear roof lights to create habitable accommodation at Layton, High Street, Hamble-le-Rice SO31 4HA

Cllr Hand proposed, Cllr Pepper seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with planning officers.

Clerk
412/112/15

b) To receive any Planning Decisions and Matters at Appeal

The list had been circulated and decisions noted.

413/112/15

Hamble Lifeboat Station Construction Project

A letter had been circulated from the Chairman of Trustees, Roger Harding, regarding the Council's invoices. He was disappointed that invoices for early work on the project had not been passed to the Lifeboat for payment. If they rather than the Council had paid, the VAT could have been reclaimed. Cllr Underdown said the Lifeboat had requested the Council to demolish the toilets and remove the asbestos. The toilets could not be demolished until the electrical supply had been disconnected and re-routed, and this had to be paid in advance. Mr Harding said the Lifeboat could have done this and the work would have included reinstatement of the supply. There was some discussion and confusion and Cllr Underdown asked Mr Harding to explain his position clearly in a letter. Mr Harding said he would need further discussions with the Trustees and Cllr Underdown recommended including Stuart O'Connor in these discussions.

52/21/15

Path from Well Lane to Marina Drive

The Clerk reported that Eastleigh Borough Council had been asked for a clear interpretation of the two S106 agreements, in 1998 and 2000. All the necessary information had been passed to their solicitors, including the original documents and EBC's own legal advice produced in 2009. The Council needed to find out whether there is any obligation for the RAFYC to maintain the footpath. The Clerk had been advised not to continue discussions regarding re-routing the path and that taking on the ownership may not be in the best interests of the Council. Depending on advice received, it might be possible to enter into some agreement regarding the management of the path without any change of ownership. Mr Le Mare commented that a year or so ago the RAFYC had helped with maintenance although it was not their responsibility. He thought the maintenance was going to be handed over to the flats. The footpath was installed across RAFYC land. Some simple maintenance could be carried to stop people complaining about getting muddy. The Clerk and Head Groundsman would visit within the next two weeks and also survey the Well Lane spur. Mr Le Mare had received a letter from the flats regarding trees and would pass a copy to the Council.

205/61/13

Finance

a) To receive Orders for Payment for October 2015

Cllr Davies proposed, Cllr Hand seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the October 2015 orders for payment.

415/112/15

b) To receive the Income and Expenditure reports for the 2nd quarter 2015-16

Cllr Davies proposed, Cllr Hand seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the income and expenditure reports for the 2nd quarter 2015-16.

416/112/15

c) To receive an interim Internal Audit report for the period April to September 2015

The auditor had raised the matter of a small shortfall in parking income. The Clerk said this was because the ticket machine was not working correctly. Before considering any replacement, he

would check whether Eastleigh Borough Council had experienced problems with any of their machines. Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Hand seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the interim internal audit report for April to September 2015.

417/112/15

To consider a grant application from Hamble Community Sports College

Cllr Cross proposed, Cllr Lear seconded, a majority agreed (Cllr Pepper abstained) and IT WAS RESOLVED to grant £300 to Hamble Community Sports College for the Hamble Aglow project.

417/112/15

To receive reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllr Lear reported that at the Local Area Committee meeting on 5 November the committee approved planning application O/15/77121 on land south of Bursledon Road. She did not vote for it for the following reasons: – closure of the strategic gap; overcapacity of Bursledon Road and the fact that the site is a designated park and ride in the existing Local Plan. Cllr Underdown said the Council had not objected but raised concerns including that the development would be joined with Jurd Way. Cllr Lear also reported that the Old Coffee Shop in Rope Walk had been sold.

419/112/15

To consider the following matters arising

Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council Secure Storage

Quotations were awaited.

239/81/12

Path from Well Lane to Marina Drive

Concern had been raised about a notice reading “private property” which had been installed at the viewing platform adjacent to the roadway at Oyster Quay. Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Lear seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to write to the owners of Oyster Quay requesting removal of the notice and to contact Diccon Bright regarding installing direction signs to indicate the public amenities.

Clerk
205/61/13

Public Toilets Water Bill

The Lifeboat Trustees had paid part of one bill.

239/62/15

Public Art at the Hamble Foreshore

A maintenance schedule had been received from Eastleigh Borough Council.

273/71/15

Hamble Footpath 5

Work was progressing slowly.

275/71/15

Parish Council Out of Hours (OOH) contacts

The Clerk would bring a procedure to the next meeting.

Clerk/CLAg
276/71/15

Barclays Bank in Hamble-le-Rice

Cllr Pepper reported a parishioner spending 45 minutes queueing at the Hedge End branch. He had been urged to take the matter to the Ombudsman. Cllr Underdown stressed the need to publicise the “Tea and Teach” sessions.

327/91/15

The Well Lane Footpath Spur

No new information.

330/91/15

Hamble Allotment Regulations Review

A meeting was due to take place on 12 November.

394/102/15

To authorise the Clerk to deal with correspondence relating to Council matters including:-

a. From Eastleigh Borough Council

Local Plan Update meeting – 17 November at the Roy Underdown Pavilion 7 p.m. The Clerk would check whether this was to be a public meeting.

Clerk
420/112/15

b. From Hampshire County Council

Hampshire Pension Fund: Autumn 2015 news - noted.

Correspondence from Hampshire Highways regarding use of car parking spaces during resurfacing work at The Quay

Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Cross seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to allow Hampshire Highways to use around 4 parking spaces at the bottom of The Quay for 7 weeks in early to mid-January.

421/112/15

c. Other correspondence

Hamble River Raid Committee – request to use the Hamble Foreshore

Cllr Hand said he believed the event was no longer organised by the Scouts and a limited company had been formed. The Council needed to find out more about the new organisation's structure and insurance arrangements. Cllr Hand proposed, Cllr Clive Fish seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to ask for further information before making any decision.

422/112/15

HALC Auto Enrolment pensions update – noted.

Correspondence regarding a request to provide a lifeline at the Mercury Gardens Slipway

The Clerk had been advised by the Council's insurers that once lifebelts are provided they have to be maintained in a serviceable condition. Cllr Cross said the same responsibilities would apply to safety lines. The Clerk said the slipway formed part of the AONB area owned and managed by Hampshire County Council. Cllr Hand proposed, Cllr Lear seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to pass the letter on to HCC with a copy to the Harbour Master.

423/112/15

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.

424/112/15

At this meeting the matters to be discussed were:

The Hamble Club Football Club lease discussions

The provision of a Trip Boat at the Hamble Foreshore

To receive correspondence concerning dog training in the MUGA at Roy Underdown Pavilion

To receive a report from the Chair of the Staff and Salaries Working Party

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.