

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOPLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 17th March 2016
AT 7.30P.M.
IN SOPLEY PARISH HALL, PRIEST'S LANE, SOPLEY.

The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was Quorate and there were no declarations of interest in respect of the items contained in the Agenda.

Apologies were received from Cllr Rippon-Swaine and Cllr Hill. Parishioners – 17 Parishioners. and David Nash from Bellway Homes. Council – Cllr Smedley, Cllr Liberty-Spark, Cllr Rawstron, Cllr Dunn, Chairman Shutler and Clerk Mrs Hughes. Mr Pope attended also.

Review of the Minutes of the Council Meeting(s) held on 21st January 2016.

There were no matters arising. **Proposed by Cllr Dunn and Seconded by Cllr Rawstron.**

Parishioner Participation:

Mr Norman Hiscock brought up the parking at the school. Cllr Smedley brought up the yellow car that is always parked in the way and will not park in Thatchers Lane because of the mud. Mr Dennis Tanner suggested leaving notes on windscreens. The Clerk offered to report each and every report that is received to her and that she will compile a report and send to the local police contact. (KH).

Mrs West brought up the tractors and huge trailers hairing through the village. Cllr Smedley reported heavy traffic from the "paper mountain". Who runs the tractors Cllr Dunn asked, Bartlett's. Mrs Pascoe from the village suggested a Woolpack roundabout this is to be discussed at the upcoming meeting with Highways. Cllr Lane suggested the clerk should write to the company about speeding through the village. (KH).

Vatchers Common was raised about the eroding river bank and footpath. Clerk to approach new owner and new "Footpaths" representative. (KH)

Cllr Hill was mentioned with regard to finding funding for the carpark at Sopley School.(AH).

Wessex Water were raised regarding still pumping several times a day and the clerk was asked to get an update (KH).

Woolpack Bridge was raised regarding yellow barriers and ongoing work to the coping stones on the bridge. This will be raised at the upcoming meeting with Highways. (DS & AR).

At this point Mr Alan Pope was co-opted onto the Council and welcomed as a new member.

CURRENT ISSUES & FORWARD PLANNING (Cllr Shutler):

The Chairman reported that 27 English oaks need to be trimmed/crowned or felled at Shirley Common. Which is the responsibility of Sopley Parish Council. Quotes have been received from Westbeams £6840.00. Rob Heron £4950. Natural England need to be contacted regarding the works. Mrs Jo Harrison commented her concerns regarding possible damage to houses if the trees come down in the inclement weather. Cllr Lane commented she had a contact and will drop a line to them. (DS & EL).

PARISH CLERK'S REPORT: Financial Matters

Supplier	Invoice	Amount	Date received	Date paid
Hampshire Pro	200001161	75.00	10/02/2016	
Hampshire Pro	200001221	75.00	11/03/2016	
Clerk March		612.00	30/03/2016	
TLC Online	547142016	40.00	16/03/2016	
	Due out:	802.00		
To pay in	280.00			
Current Account	19,622.27			
Deposit account	28,964.16			
Allotments account	5,502.04			
	54,368.47			
	TOTAL:	53,566.47		

Approved by Council

RFO Signature _____

Approved by
Chairman

Signature _____

Correspondence received

None.

Planning and Development Control matter, current consultations, recent planning decisions and enforcement issues:

24/08/15	15/11141	Smugglers	Sopley	Rebuild	Ongoing
24/11/15	15/150864	Tanglewood	Bransgore	Storage/Hire Business	Ongoing
06/03/16	16/10018	Kennelmans	Harpway Lane	Full Planning	Ongoing
05/01/16	15/11748	Little Merryfield	Derritt Lane	Two storey extension	Refused.
16/03/16	16/10184	37 North Ripley Road	Sopley	Two storey porch	Ongoing.

BURIAL BOARD REPORT (Katie Hughes):

Request received from Dawn Farwell to place a headstone on the late Mrs Pamela Farwell grave.

PARISH HALL COMMITTEE REPORT: (Andrew Rawstron):

St Patricks Night 18th March was mentioned and is due to be held tomorrow.
Cllr Dunn asked that could the advertising posters for events be put up straight.
Car park lighting has been installed at the Parish Hall, car park.
Southern Electric funding being chased by Mr Barry Hughes and the bid is to be submitted.

PARISH FOOTPATHS & RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES (Cllr Shutler):

Nothing to report from Chairman Shutler.
Mr Pinder reported the “drug” products that had been dumped. Cllr Liberty Spark has collected some out of the river told to bin it by EH.

HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES (Cllr. Rawstron/Shutler):

Pedestrian refuge brought up no update received. This will be raised again with Highways at the upcoming meeting. Speeding through village. Clerk to contact Police with regard to setting up “speedwatch”, Cllr Dunn, Mrs & Mrs West, Alex Wiseman and Cllr Pope are more than happy to help with this.

Cllr Rawston to speak with Parishioners regarding hedge cutting up to the church and also past Mrs West's. (AR).

Mr Manners to be approached about verge trimming and grass creeping into the road (KH).

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (Cllr Lane):

Cllr Lane spoke to the floor regarding boundary changes, Sopley may become part of Bransgore she reiterated that this would have no effect on the District and County work and that this would still be working well.

Cllr Rawstron confirmed that Police stations will be closing and also possible merger with the Fire service. Vehicles for emergencies may merge across the services and the New Forest.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (Cllr Rippon-Swaine):

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Article I. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Section 1.01 HCC & B3347 RINGWOOD ROAD SPEED LIMIT REVIEW.

- Review of the Speed Limit from 40mph at Lower Kingston to 30mph at Avon.
- Proposal to reduce 60mph down to 50mph.
- Plus visual narrowing including road lining, signing & surface treatments to raise driver's awareness.
- Benefits include reduction in accidents, fast moving traffic & emissions to improve environment.
- SID deployment (Guidance Brief sent to Parish Clerk).

Section 1.02 HCC HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRES – New Review 2016.

- HWRC Services Efficiencies Programme Savings target £1.2million
- Public consultation to commence early March 2016 for 8 weeks duration and will be advertised online, via social media, paper copies on request and flyer available at HWRC sites during first two weeks of consultation.
- Options include reducing opening hours, closing one day a week or closing smaller HWRC sites during winter or weekdays.

- Public Consultation has been put on hold and may be delayed till May 2016.
Section 1.03 HCC & A FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE (FSS).
- HCC proposing a new FSS to provide joined-up, whole-family service for high level need families that miss out on statutory social care.
- How will it work: move from universal offer to all families to targeted support to most vulnerable families, with one designated Childrens Centre in each District as a FSS hub.
- Lower level of need families will be signposted to other community services including health professionals.
- More information & voluntary consultation online at:-
www.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services-consultation.
- Responses by 3 May 2016, HCC Decision July 2016.
Section 1.04 HCC COUNTRYSIDE SERVICE.
- Annual Vegetation Clearance is currently being scheduled.
- Dealing with report of obstructed Footpath near Horseshoe Cottage.
Section 1.05 HCC COUNCILLOR MEETINGS – - February & March 2016.
- 9th Feb – Forest Forge Theatre Co. Board Meeting, Ringwood.
- 11th Feb – HCC Conservative Group Meeting, Winchester.
- 18th Feb – HCC Full Council Meeting, Winchester.
- 22nd Feb – A31 & Highways England meeting at the Gateway, Ringwood.
- 25th Feb – Official Opening of “the Place”, Youth Drop-In, Carvers,
Ringwood.
- 12th Mar – Political Surgery at Stillwater Park, Ringwood.
- 16th Mar – Chairman of Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee
Meeting

W Steve Rippon-Swaine FRICS DipGS
Hampshire County Councillor for Ringwood & Sopley Division

Chairman Shutler then handed over to David Nash/Will Cobleby of Bellway Homes.

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING (AGM) Thursday, 19th May 2016 at 7.30pm.