

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LYNDHURST PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2012 AT 7.15 PM

Present: Mr M Rollé (Chairman), Mr M Abbott, Mr G Bisson, Mr P Boyes, Mrs A Butcher, Mr J Charlesworth, Mr L Cornell, Mrs H Klaassen, the Revd Dr C Wilkins and Mrs P Wyeth.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs M Weston

In attendance: County Councillor K Mans
PC A White and PCSO L Quinn
22 members of the public
Mr C Marsh, Press representative

137 Public Participation

Mr Grant asked whether the Parish Council would be endorsing the recommendation made by the Planning Committee to the NFNPA that Planning Application number 97006 in respect of Wymering House and Wymering Cottage, Sandy Lane be refused. It was explained that the Planning Committee minutes dated 20 December 2011, at which the recommendation was made, would be ratified at this meeting. Mrs Wyeth stated that as Chairman of the NFNPA Planning Committee she did not sit on the Parish Council Planning Committee and was unable to express an opinion at this stage. If she did so she would then be unable to put forward her views if the application went to the NFNPA Planning Committee due to the Code of Conduct to which she must adhere.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council adopt the minutes of the Planning Committee dated 20 December 2011.

It was reported that a meeting would be held between the residents campaigning for a pedestrian crossing at Shrubbs Hill Road and representatives from Hampshire County Council on 18 January.

RESOLVED: That Mrs Klaassen attend the meeting as a Parish Council representative.

138 Disclosures of Interest

None.

139 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Mr K Kaljura and Mrs A Trend.

140 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 13 December 2011, having been circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

141 Matters Arising

Mrs Wyeth explained that under the terms of the planning permission granted at South View, Gosport Lane the developer would have to pay the sum of £34,000 to comply with the Section 106 Agreement. This means that in recent times a total of eight units of affordable housing have been lost to the village. Until this amount was forthcoming from the developer he could demolish the existing dwelling but not rebuild. Mr Boyes asked if the Community Infrastructure Levy was likely to assist but Mrs Wyeth replied that it would not do so.

Mr Bisson reported that due to a financial contribution from Totton and Eling Town Council, car parking charges would not be brought into place in the Westfield Road and Civic Centre car parks in Totton.

142 Correspondence

NFNPA – Email outlining success of New Forest Tour – 20,000 using Green tour bus and 14,000 using the Red route bus.

Terry Simpson on behalf of ALCNFD – Notification of invitation to meeting re broadband coverage. This meeting clashed with the PC meeting on 10 January.

HALC – 2012 service brochure. Copy for all Councillors.

NFNPA – Letter from Paula Freeland, Specialist Services Manager, indicating that the NFNPA wish to revoke the TPO at Great Mead as the land is now in the ownership of the Parish Council and is considered to be under responsible management.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact Ms Freeland stating that the Parish Council are happy for the TPO to be rescinded.

Councillor Pat Wyeth – Email correspondence concerning hatching and revised lining at the Swan Green junction. It was agreed that, although Highways feel that the changes are successful, it was not felt that they were entirely satisfactory. Kerbs need to be added.

Mr Billy Peart – Copy letter of correspondence sent to the Lymington Times regarding planning decision at South View, Gosport Lane.

Department of Communities and Local Government – Reply to Clerk's letter to the Rt Hon Eric Pickles, MP regarding Parish Council's concerns relating to policy on affordable housing development in this area. Copied to all Councillors.

NHS – Reply to Clerk's letter voicing Parish Council's concerns regarding possible closure of Woodhaven Hospital. Copied to Parish Councillors on email.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – Receipt in the sum of £350.36p which represented the amount given during the collection at the Remembrance Sunday Service.

Ken Thornber, Hampshire County Council – Offer of a free oak tree to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

RESOLVED: That the offer is accepted and that consideration is given to a suitable position to plant the tree.

143 Minutes of Committee Meetings

(a) *Planning Committee – 20 December 2011*

Already dealt with under No 137 of these minutes.

Mr Boyes thanked Mrs Klaassen for her efforts concerning the planning application at South View, Gosport Lane at a recent NFNPA Planning Committee meeting and there was a feeling of general regret expressed at the loss of yet more affordable housing.

144 County Councillor's Report

Councillor Mans gave his apologies for late arrival at the meeting but said he had been at the New Forest Business Partnership Meeting with the Association of New Forest Town and Parish Councils meeting at Appletree Court regarding the campaign for effective broadband provision in the New Forest. He gave a report of the meeting and explained that representatives from the New Forest area will get together to formulate a clear indication of where the need lies, with the business partnership acting as a co-ordinator. There was also a need to provide match funding. The group will meet on a quarterly basis.

The County Council are in the middle of the budget process. They have achieved their budget for the current financial year but more money will have to be saved in the forthcoming year.

145 District Councillor's Report

Councillor Wyeth highlighted the locally perceived problems regarding the new road hatching scheme at Swan Green. This would be further discussed at the meeting between the Parish Council and Hampshire County Council on 17 January.

Councillor Wyeth had received email from the Planning Policy Officer (Transportation) regarding the LSTF Sustainable Transport Solutions bid for the New Forest National Park. An assurance had been given that she and the Parish Council would be consulted on any proposals that might come forward.

PC White reported on criminal activities including two assaults (one domestic and one involving the Police), one house burglary, a burglary at a High Street hairdresser where £2000 worth of stock had been stolen, four incidents of criminal damage, public order on New Year's Eve (one incident) and theft related incidents involving items taken from parked cars at Acres Down and Andrew's Mare car parks. There had been minor shoplifting offences. Anti-social behaviour was considered a priority. Regarding Speed Watch, due to the number of volunteers coming forward there was a backlog of people to be checked. PCSO Quinn was working on the Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

Mr Abbott thanked PC White and PCSO Quinn for their work and particularly for their high visibility efforts around the village.

146 Traffic Problems in Lyndhurst

The Clerk circulated a list of questions that had been sent to Mr Paul Garrod at Hampshire County Council in readiness for the meeting on 17 January. Councillors were asked to inform the Clerk by Thursday, 12 January if they had any further questions.

147 Accounts

The Clerk submitted accounts which had become due for payment since the date of the last meeting, as detailed in Appendix A and these were approved.

The Clerk submitted records showing an abbreviated list of income and expenditure for the period 1 April 2011 to 10 January 2012.

148 Reports from Representatives of Outside Bodies

Mr Abbott reported that he had attended a meeting of the New Forest Consultative Panel. One item concerned the meeting in the New Forest of the Independent Panel of Forestry. Discussion had taken place on the Government's Forestry Commission proposals to save money in general. Groups have been going round the New Forest and will be taken to see how the New Forest differs from other forests.

Mr Charlesworth reported that Hampshire County Council will be holding a "Singalong with Hampshire" in March. A coach will be going from the Community Centre.

The condition of the layby opposite the Police Station was reported and the Clerk said this had been reported to Hampshire Highways West.

Mrs Klaassen reported that residents had been enquiring as to whether the Parish Council would be making any arrangements for other forms of entertainment for visitors after the Olympic Torch Relay had taken place. Reference was also made to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman and Clerk liaise on the following items:

- (a) Enlisting the assistance of residents, local organisations, schools, churches and traders. The Clerk would contact the Chamber of Trade, youth organisations, schools, sports organisations, the three Churches, Police Service, Fire Brigade.
- (b) Contacting NFDC to see if they would be prepared to waiver car parking charges on the 14 July (Olympic Torch Relay) and open the car park at Appletree Court.

In order to more fully discuss these items the next Parish Council meeting would commence at 6.45 pm.

149 Dates of Future Committee Meetings

Planning Committee – 24 January 2012 at 7.15 pm

150 Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting

Village Participation regarding Olympic Torch Relay

Queen's Jubilee

Jubilee Tree

Items brought forward from the January Agenda and meeting.

Any items brought to the attention of the Clerk by 6 February 2012.

In the absence of any other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting.

Chairman _____

Date _____

APPENDIX A

The following accounts were authorised for payment:

	Amount	VAT	Charge
Mrs M Weston			
Clerk's Salary and Expenses	1415.24		1415.24
Beckley Joinery Ltd			
Remedial work to bus shelter near Beechen Lane	243.02		243.02
Lyndhurst and District Community Association			
Room hire - PC meeting	21.50		
Room hire - Planning Cte meeting	21.50		
Room hire - Traffic problems meeting	21.50		
Affiliation fee	13.00		
Total			77.50
HM Revenue & Customs			
NI and PAYE payments	888.69		888.69
Mr J Gardner			
Cemetery Mainenance	180.00		180.00
Mr L Portwain			
Cemetery markers	495.00		495.00
Total	3299.45		3299.45

Chairman _____

Date _____