

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LYNDHURST PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2012 AT 6.45 PM**

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

Clerk to the Council: Mrs M Weston

In attendance: County Councillor K Mans  
14 members of the public  
Press representative

**151 Queen's Jubilee and Olympic Torch Relay**

Those attending who had an interest in the above events were identified as Tina Daniels (Lyndhurst Infant School), Hilary Marshall (New Forest Centre), Chris McLaren (Chamber of Trade and Workmen's Club), Sarah Davies/Adrian Wiltshire (Workmen's Club).

The Chairman explained that the aim of this agenda item was to see what might have already been planned, to brainstorm ideas and to take any suggestions forward. Items discussed included:

New Forest Centre – Royalty in the Forest exhibition on 3 June and Olympics Art Competition on 14 July.

Chamber of Trade – Discussion to take place on Fun Day on 14 July. It was noted that the next Chamber of Trade meeting would be held on 29 February and Mr Bisson agreed to attend.

St Michael and All Angels Church – Flower Festival during Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend and possibly a concert.

Bowls Club – Jubilee Bowling Day

Lyndhurst Community Centre – Coronation Exhibition during Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend and Olympic Day in July.

Emery Down residents would be holding a Church Service, followed by a picnic and an evening dance on 3 June.

Street party in Haskells Close (and possibly other street parties) for the Jubilee.

Lyndhurst Infant School – celebrating Jubilee and holding a mini fete/mini Olympics for Torch Relay. Mrs Daniels reported that the school would be happy to be involved in the celebrations and it was suggested that pupils from the other schools in the Federation be invited to join Lyndhurst on 14 July.

Twinning Association – would like to hold a street party in Great Mead for visitors from Le Chevroliere.

Rider on horse carrying Olympic flag down the High Street.

It was also considered appropriate to involve the youth and other local organisations in any arrangements that are made.

**152 Ineos Presentation**

Mr Brian Foster, Director of Ineos gave a presentation showing proposals for future development of the Ineos campus in Chapel Lane. The original campus had been planned to accommodate fewer members of staff and had subsequently been expanded to include other, adjoining properties. Also, since a recent reduction in personnel it would now not be necessary to develop the site at Clayhill particularly if a small extension could be added to the Chapel Lane campus. The two former residential properties, Deerleap and Brock Cottage could then be returned to the open housing stock market. Discussions had been held with all the relevant authorities.

### **153 Public Participation**

Mrs Palacio asked if the Parish Council knew why the Tree Preservation Order had been removed in the Meadows. The Chairmasn explained that the NFNPA had considered that it was now unnecessary to have a TPO on the land as it was in the responsible ownership of the Parish Council and that this was usual procedure in such cases.

Mr Grant said if the Parish Council did not choose to make a recommendation to HCC that a no right turn requirement be introduced from Chapel Lane into Sandy Lane could the Parish Council put forward a request for a 20mph limit to be implemented. The Chairman stated that this matter would be discussed as an Agenda item later in the meeting.

Mr Grant asked if the views that the Parish Council would be making at the NFNPA Planning Development meeting on 21 February could be made available to the public before the meeting took place. Mr Abbott stated that he would make his comments available.

### **154 Disclosures of Interest**

None.

### **155 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Mr L Cornell and Mr K Kaljura.

### **156 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 10 January 2012, having been circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

### **157 Matters Arising**

Concern was expressed that building work may have commenced at Southview, Gosport Lane before compliance had been reached regarding the Section 106 Agreement.

Mrs Wyeth asked that it be noted that the hatching that had taken place at the Swan Green junction of the C17 and A35 had not prevented an accident whereby a car had damaged the fence at Swan Green Cottage.

### **158 Correspondence**

**NFNPA** –New Forest Volunteering Fair on Saturday, 3 March at Lyndhurst Community Centre.

**NFDC** – NFDC outside the National Park Local Development Framework Community Infrastructure Levy – Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule. Six week public consultation runs from 16 January. The charging schedule can be viewed at [www.newforest.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.newforest.gov.uk/haveyoursay)

**CAB** – Evidence report on fuel costs, tariffs and energy efficiency.

**NFDC** – Email from Martin Devine stating that it will not be possible to open ATC car park for public car parking during the Olympic Torch Relay. However, they could provide a managed car park for invited guests/nominated individuals.

**NFNPA** – Email from Claire Ings, Senior Planning Officer stating that Banner Homes now wish to see a cascade element inserted into the Agreement whereby if they were unable to agree satisfactory terms with the Registered Social Landlord to provide the 3 units of accommodation at 2/2a Gosport Lane, then they would pay an affordable housing contribution of £185,000. The recommendation to the Planning Committee will be that this is unacceptable. LPC Clerk has, under direction from the Planning Committee Chairman, written to support the opinion of the NFNPA.

**Residents at 4 & 6 Forest Gardens** – Copy letter sent to residents in the neighbourhood of Forest Gardens drawing attention to the fact that the Parish Hall is to be sold to a dance studio. Main concerns are noise (single skin building), parking (already a problem in this road), out of keeping in

the conservation area, the effect on a residential road, dangers of exiting Forest Gardens onto A337, etc.

Councillor Wyeth reported that she had received a representation regarding the proposal but found it difficult to object as the premises had always had a community use and a dance studio would be permissible.

**Hampshire Highways** – Email from Rob Millar in reply to Clerk’s enquiry (initiated by Mr Cornell) regarding the surface of the Lyndhurst to Ashurst cycle track. A walked safety inspection will take place and any necessary repairs will be undertaken. If deemed necessary the track will be submitted for resurfacing but will have to compete with all other submissions.

**FOLS/LOFF2** – Email stating that £1,353.43 had been raised during the Christmas Tree Festival. FOLS will use their share of the money towards the purchase of another 24 hour BP monitor and LOFF2 will use their share to support the many activities undertaken at the Fenwick. The next Festival will probably take place in two years’ time.

**RESOLVED:** To note that the amount raised was a very worthy effort.

**ALCNFD** – Email invitation to presentation about the Localism Bill at 6.30 pm on Thursday 1 March in the Council Chamber at ATC.

**RESOLVED:** That Mrs Klaassen, Mrs Trend and the Revd Dr Wilkins attend the presentation.

**Steve Avery, NFNPA** – Follow up to Clerk’s request and has offered to come to the Parish Council meeting on 8 May re the National Planning Policy Framework.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the offer and to invite Mr Avery to attend the May meeting.

**Dr Jane Parry** – Outline of group request to HCC that consideration be given to the situation on Shrubbs Hill Road between Cedar Mount and Sandy Lane in terms of the lack of a safe place for pedestrians to stand at the exit to Cedar Mount and regarding building a pavement on the left hand side to link up to Sandy Lane and improve crossing from the west/east side of the village in conjunction with the proposed crossing.

**Graham Baker, New Forest Association** – Will be attending Parish Council meeting in March to ask for support to change the current local policy so that all homes built in the National Park are “affordable” as defined by HMG.

**NFDC** – Temporary Road Closure of High Street and Beaulieu Road on Friday 6 April from 11.15 to 11.30 am for Good Friday Walk of Witness.

**Scouting Association** – Information regarding Scouting Community Week and request for suggestions for projects Scouts in our area could do to make a difference. Suggestions to [community.week@scouts.org.uk](mailto:community.week@scouts.org.uk) or visit [www.scouts.org.uk/scoutcommunityweek](http://www.scouts.org.uk/scoutcommunityweek)

**NFNPA** – Notification of Revocation of Tree Preservation Order on land between Shaggs Meadow and The Meadows

**NFNPA** – Plans to try to secure funding for a one year pilot project called “Community Wildlife Plans”. Mrs Klaassen expressed an interest in becoming involved.

## **159 Minutes of Committee Meetings**

### *(a) Planning Committee – 24 January 2012*

Mrs Trend asked that it be noted that part of the land on which Fairies Cottage, Emery Down sat was within the parish although the cottage itself was in Minstead parish.

## **160 County Councillor's Report**

Councillor Mans reported that the annual budget setting meeting would be held the following week and that Council Tax had been frozen. The authority would receive recompense from the Government for this and the money would be used for capital expenditure on such items as care of the elderly. The County Council would be looking at localism and the big society. There was a new scheme to allocate funds which had been successful in one area and might be spread out to other areas. Details concerning the Police Commissioner election could be found on the Police Authority website. With regard to Woodhaven the NHS Foundation Trust has permission to reduce the number of beds and will carry out a pilot scheme. An assurance had been given that acute beds will be available at Woodhaven and beds will always be available in Hampshire.

## **161 District Councillor/NFNPA Representative Report**

Agenda Item 14 concerning parking in Shrubbs Hill Road was brought forward for discussion under this item as Mrs Wyeth had received a representation from a resident of Foxlease Terrace. Residents would like a layby adjacent to the houses and had also asked if steps could be taken as they felt the road was dangerous due to speeding vehicles. Mr Bisson stated that there have been reports that there is damage to the verge and mud on the road and it was noted that there was a similar problem in Southampton Road.

**RESOLVED:** To monitor the situation.

Mrs Wyeth stated that she was also officially present at the meeting in her capacity as a member of the NFNPA. She drew attention to the New Forest National Park Local Development Framework which was a design guide supplementary planning document. Steve Avery will be attending the May meeting to discuss national framework policy. Hythe and Dibden Parish Council have recently produced their parish plan for adoption. The NFNPA will be holding a Volunteer Day at the Community Centre in March.

Councillors were invited to contact Mrs Wyeth if they have any specific queries regarding the NFNPA.

## **162 Traffic Problems in Lyndhurst**

It was reported that parking in Knightwood Avenue and Elcombes Close continues to give cause for concern. PC White and PCSO Quinn are trying to assist and residents would like "Residents Only" signage. Further enquiries will be made.

## **163 Sandy Lane**

It was noted that Mr Boyes had spoken to residents of the portion of Chapel Lane that would be affected if "No Right Turn" signage was implemented at the junction between Chapel Lane and Sandy Lane and all except one resident were against the proposal. It was agreed that a Forest wide strategy was needed to alleviate all traffic problems in the village. Consideration was given to whether it would be appropriate to hold a ballot of all those who might be affected by the proposal.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That it would not be useful to hold a ballot (three in favour, five against, two abstentions).
- (b) To pursue the possibility of introducing a 20 mph limit in Sandy Lane (eight in favour, two abstentions).

## **164 Parking in Shrubbs Hill Road**

Dealt with in Minute 161.

## **165 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 14 February 2012.

## **166 Reports from Representatives of Outside Bodies**

Mrs Klaassen reported that she had attended the meeting between local residents of the Shrubbs Hill area and representatives from HCC. It had been agreed that investigations be made as to the feasibility of providing a pavement to the left hand side of the junction/pavement to Sandy Lane. A pedestrian crossing would not meet the necessary criteria.

## **167 Annual Parish Meeting**

A draft copy of the Agenda had been circulated to all Councillors. Mrs Trend stated that she felt it was very important to be positive about the Lyndhurst Area Plan. Councillors felt that over 70% of the recommendations had already been completed.

**RESOLVED:** That the Lyndhurst Area Plan is deleted as a separate item and Committee Chairmen would feed items already achieved and those that would be worked on shortly into their reports.

## **168 Jubilee Tree**

Discussion took place as to the possible siting of a Jubilee Tree to be donated by Hampshire County Council. Sites considered were Gales Green, Great Mead, Goose Green and the Green to the right of Pikes Hill road.

**RESOLVED:** That the green to the right of Pikes Hill road (and before the Police Station) would be the most appropriate site and the tree should be commemorated with a non metal plaque.

## **169 Dates of Future Committee Meetings**

Planning Committee – 28 February 2012 at 7.15 pm

## **170 Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting**

Items brought forward from the February Agenda and meeting.  
Any items brought to the attention of the Clerk by 5 March 2012.

## **171 Additional (Non Agenda) Item**

On behalf of the Lyndhurst Area Plan Councillor Boyes presented the Parish Council with a cheque for £1,044.09p to be used for the community in any way the Parish Council felt appropriate. The Chairman thanked Mr Boyes for the generous donation.

**RESOLVED:** To use the donated funds for new equipment in the Recreation Ground.

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
<b>Beckley Joinery Ltd</b>			
Bus shelter repairs adj. Foxlease	30.00		30.00
<b>SBC Solutions Ltd</b>			
Office Broadband Connection	54.00		
VAT		10.80	
Total			64.80
<b>Weed It and Reap (K Bennett)</b>			
Work to Welcome Signage	375.00		
Recreation Ground groundwork	145.00		
Total			520.00
<b>RS Contract Garden Service (R Sturt)</b>			
Work at Coles Mead	175.00		175.00
<b>Lyndhurst &amp; District Community Association</b>			
Meeting - Parish Council	21.50		
Meeting - Planning Committee	21.50		
Total			43.00
<b>Southern Water</b>			
Allotment water	63.33		63.33
<b>Came &amp; Company - Broker Network Ltd</b>			
Insurance Premium	2818.81		2818.81
<b>Mrs M Weston</b>			
Clerk's Salary and Expenses	1401.37		1401.37
<b>Mr J Gardner</b>			
Cemetery Maintenance	225.00		225.00
<b>Mr A Wiltshire</b>			
Maintenance Materials - Allotments	455.56		455.56
<b>New Forest Tree Services (M D Witney)</b>			
Tree work at Great Mead	640.00		640.00
<b>TLC Online</b>			
Website Maintenance	100.00		100.00
<b>Total amount paid</b>	<b>6526.07</b>	<b>10.80</b>	<b>6536.87</b>

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_