

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LYNDHURST PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT
APPLETREE COURT, LYNDHURST ON TUESDAY 9 JANUARY 2007 AT 7.15 PM

Present: Mr G Bisson (Chairman), Mr M Abbott, Mr F Alexander, Professor K Barber, Mr P Boyes, Mrs A Butcher, Mr J Charlesworth, Mr E Gailor, Mr D Newport and Mrs A Trend.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs M H Weston

In attendance: Mr Ben Craig, Advertiser and Times

325. Public Participation

None.

326. Disclosures of Interest

Mr Bisson declared a non prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 335

327. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr M Rollé and Mrs P Wyeth.

328. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting dated 12 December 2006, having been circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

329. Matters Arising

Planning

Mr Abbott reported that the following recommendations had been made since the date of the last Planning Committee meeting:

No 90741 – Swiss Cottage, Clayhill, Goose Green - Crossover to gain access for agricultural equipment to access rear of Swiss Cottage – recommended refusal.

No 90939 – The Mad Hatter Tea Rooms – 10 High Street - Replace rear window with French doors; ramp – recommended permission be granted.

330. Minutes of Committee Meetings

The minutes of the following Committee meeting held since the date of the last meeting were approved:

Bypass Committee (2 January)

Mr Charlesworth reported that he and Professor Barber would be giving a presentation to the Beaulieu Seminar. A further Bypass Committee meeting would be held on 16 January in

order to have a complete run through of the presentation. This was essential as it was necessary to limit the length to fifteen minutes.

331. Reports from Representatives of Outside Bodies

Mr Abbott had attended a meeting of the New Forest Consultative Panel which had included a report regarding a meeting between the National Park Authority and the Equestrian Association concerning pony paddocks. Other topics had included the New Forest Access Forum small grant scheme and the proposal by Southampton City Council to install laser lighting on the Civic Centre clock tower.

RESOLVED: That the information regarding laser lighting be noted.

Mr Charlesworth, on behalf of the Community Association, stated that a focus group meeting would be held shortly and information gleaned would be used for a lottery funding application.

332. Correspondence

Royal British Legion – Letter of thanks re Remembrance Sunday contribution to Poppy Appeal

Hampshire Highways West –

Letter regarding parking at Police Station stating that the Highway Authority could only prevent parking by using physical measures or introducing restrictions. To physically prevent parking would involve the installation of a large number of dragon's teeth which experience has shown simply moves the problem further along the road. Waiting restrictions are only intended for sites where parking causes interruptions to traffic flows which is not the case here. Believes problem should be resolved by those that generate the need for parking. Will continue to monitor the situation.

Parish Fault log will have to wait due to other commitments mainly caused by the recent heavy rain.

The footway at Emery Down has been included in this financial year's programme.

Guide to planned Highway Works for 2006/07. Shows surface dressing completed at Empress Road, Pikes Hill and Wellands Road.

NFDC –

CCTV Monitoring statistics for October and November.

Directory of Domestic Violence Services.

Estimated cost of Parish/Town Council Elections in May 2007.

Community First, New Forest – Newsletter Winter 2006.

HCC –

Bus services in the New Forest (information passed to Mr Newport/Mr Abbott).

School Places Plan 2006 (information passed to Mrs Butcher/Mrs Trend).

HAPTC -

Information regarding review of HAPTC constitution.

Information regarding re-launch of Hampshire County Training Partnership Local Council Development Team – Invitation to Chairing a Meeting (designed for chairmen or aspiring chairmen with little or no previous experience of chairing any type of meeting – 27 February , 6.30 pm at HAPTC Winchester.

Information regarding disability Equality Duty Scheme

Information regarding the NALC direct access scheme.

333. Accounts

The Clerk submitted the accounts as detailed on Appendix A for payment.

RESOLVED: That accounts as detailed in vouchers 1260 to 1265 totalling £2,398.25 be approved and paid.

334. Parish Plan

Mrs Butcher and Mrs Trend reported that information had been displayed at the Community Centre and Mr Charlesworth volunteered to insert it in the Community Centre Newsletter. The Parish Plan would be on the Annual Parish Meeting agenda.

335. Parking Problems

The Chairman, Mr Alexander, Mrs Trend and Mrs Wyeth (as District Councillor) had attended a meeting with Hampshire County Council, New Forest District Council and the Forestry Commission to discuss parking problems in the parish. Action would be taken near the Police Station/Broughton Road, Appletree Court and Great Mead. Damaged major directional signs would receive remedial action. The problems encountered due to vehicles unloading opposite the car park exit in the High Street would be looked at and plans for possible remedial action produced. Problems with parking near the Post Office were discussed but it was not considered possible to remedy this problem. A sight line order was receiving consideration for the exit from Forest Gardens. With regard to solving problems at Gales Green Mr Kendal had suggested providing car parking at the top of the green with low maintenance hedging surrounding it. Negotiations would take place between the Forestry Commission and New Forest District Council regarding parking problems at Boltons Bench to see if a franchise could be provided. Parking charges could then be made and an enforcement system introduced.

336. Annual Parish Meeting

Chief Inspector Philip Winchester had replied to the Parish Council's invitation to Chief Superintendent Anne Wakefield to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. He had stated that as he was responsible for policing in the area it would be more appropriate for him to attend.

RESOLVED:

- (a) To invite Chief Inspector Winchester to speak at the beginning of the meeting.
- (b) That Councillors prepare questions to be put to the police representative by the February Parish Council meeting.

337. Memorials and Purchases

Confirmation was given for the following memorials granted since the date of the last meeting:

Iris Pamela Flood	Memorial Stone	£45.00	P
George Rex James Thompson	Plaque	£27.00	P

Confirmation was given for the following purchase granted since the date of the last meeting:

Iris Pamela Flood	Cremation Plot	£40.00	P
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338. County Councillor's Report

None.

339. Dates of Future Committee Meetings

The following Committee meeting dates were arranged to take place before the date of the next Parish Council meeting:-

Bypass Committee	16 February	Community Centre	5.00 pm
Planning Committee	23 February	Community Centre	7.15 pm
Cemetery Committee	24 February	45 The Meadows	7.00 pm

340. Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting

Agenda items brought forward from Agenda for January meeting.
Any other items brought to the Clerk's attention by 5 February 2007.

324. Rumour Corner

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

Chairman _____

Date _____

APPENDIX A – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 9.01.07

The following accounts for payment were approved:

Mrs M Weston		
Clerk's Salary and Expenses		£911.78
NFDC		
Dog Waste Collection		£284.78
Lyndhurst Landscaping and Maintenance		
Grasscutting at Cemetery		£789.60
Audit Commission		
Audit Fees 2006		£293.75
Lyndhurst & District Community Association		
Affiliation Fee	£12.00	
Room hire – Bypass Committee	£18.00	
Total		£30.00
Inland Revenue		
Employer's NI Contributions (Nov/Dec/Jan)		£128.25

Total for the period 13.12.06 to 9.01.07 = £2398.25
Voucher Numbers 1260 to 1265

Chairman _____

Date _____