

HYDE PARISH COUNCIL

Notes from the virtual (ZOOM) meeting held on 11th November 2020

Present: Cllrs Burden, Dolphin, McKenzie, Mulcahy, Sevier (Chair), Tully and Woodley: County Councillor Edward Heron (left meeting at 20.15). Clerk (M Coatham) and no members of public

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Sevier will not contribute/comment on the planning applications as a member of the NFNPA and NFDC Planning Committees.

3. **Minutes of meeting held on 14th October 2020:** Notes from the virtual meeting held on 14th October 2020 were approved by members, proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Burden, all in favour.

4. Matters Arising

Four complaints received about the last parish meeting/relating to Harrys Field – members noted the content. Discussion took place and it was noted that at the current time the parish council have provided answers to each of the issues raised at the meetings – from Enforcement, Environmental Health, the site owners and have made contact with Bournemouth Water to request pressure testing. Until the campsite reopens no further monitoring can take place. The law requires evidence of statutory nuisance, so monitoring and recording (diaries) is the only way forward. The site owner has agreed to provide a copy of the information given to the campers about the site and surrounding area. It was noted that the site falls under the 28 (56) days of permitted development and therefore does not require planning permission – and this means that there are no additional restrictions which can be imposed on the site on that basis. It is unknown what the Government is planning for 2021 onwards – and that any change to the number of days can only be made by them, so letters to the local MP are the only way forward for residents to note their concerns and for these to be considered by parliament. Members agreed to monitor progress on each issue.

PUBLIC SESSION – no public present.

5. Planning

a. **Applications** – Cllrs Tully and Burden had reviewed the applications prior to the meeting.

20/00724 Willowfield, Stuckton – greenhouse. It was noted that the garden was smaller than expected and there was discussion over the size of the proposed structure, given its proximity to the boundary. Concern was raised whether the proposal complies with DP37. On balance, it was suggested to recommend permission but to leave the final decision to the officer (PAR1) – proposed by Cllr Tully, seconded by Cllr Burden. A counter-proposal was made to leave the decision to the officer (PAR5) but this received no seconder. A vote was taken on the original proposal and there were five votes in favour, one against, so the proposal was passed. It was agreed to request that lighting be restricted to protect dark skies.

20/00544 Stables Tea Rooms – patio for external seating & pergola (already in situ) Discussion took place about the policies (SP16, SP17 and DP45) and it was agreed that the proposals were suitable; concern was noted regarding the change of use of the land, but it was felt appropriate for the site as a whole. It was agreed to recommend permission but to leave the final decision to the officer (PAR1) – proposed by Cllr Burden, seconded by Cllr Woodley, all in favour. It was agreed to request conditions to restrict external lighting and ensure the opening hours are appropriate to the local area.

20/00645 Honeysuckle Cottage, Hungerford Hill – first floor extension Discussion took place regarding the planning history of the property, there was concern that the original building (cob) may have been classed as a small dwelling. The plans appear to increase the floor space over the 30% permitted and so it was agreed to recommend refusal but to leave the final decision to the officers (PAR2), proposed by Cllr Tully, seconded by Cllr Woodley, all in favour. If permission is granted, there should be conditions included to ensure all materials and machinery are stored within the curtilage of the site as it is within the SSSI and on a road junction, and external lighting should be kept to a minimum to protect dark skies.

LDPCP (for info only) 20/00670 Keepers Cottage – ancillary use of building

Results: 20/00590 Rose Cottage, Blissford Hill – repl.septic tank & rainwater tank – GRANT

20/00683 Land adj.to Hyde Garden Shop – mast and ancillary development (GDPO) -it was noted that the application for the telecommunication mast is likely to be refused on the basis of siting and appearance (inappropriate for the location). Waldon had asked to meet with the Parish Council to review alternative sites, with a member of the NFNPA – date yet to be agreed. It was noted that Cllrs Dolphin and Mulcahy would take the lead at this meeting.

Not yet decided: 20/10829 (NFDC) Land at Hern Lane, Hyde – agricultural dwelling & detached garage

Tree applications: 20/0587 Hungerford House, Buddle Hill – various tree management; 20/0581 Lynchmoor, Gorley Lynch – fell various groups of trees; 20/0588 Sandy Corner, North Ogdens – prune 1 hedgerow; 20/0592 Glebe Cottage, Church Lane – prune 1 Magnolia, fell 1 Fir; 20/0601 Forest House, Frogham Hill – re-coppice bank of Sycamore trees; 20/0635 Setter, Gorley Lynch – prune 3 Oaks; 20/0641 Cass Cottage, Hern Lane – prune 1 Mulberry and re-pollard 1 Eucalyptus; **Cllr Woodley had reviewed the tree applications and circulated a report to members prior to the meeting. It was agreed to leave the decision to the officers as it was felt that all cases were appropriate tree management with no loss of amenity.** Discussion took place about the applications – concern was raised over the number of trees covered by “tree management” but it was clarified that the applications did specify the location of the trees to be removed.

Tree Results: 20/0477 Fir Tree Farm, Frogham Hill – land management over 10 year period; 20/0514 Uplands, Stuckton Hill; 20/0526 Highwinds, Hern Lane; 20/0527 Hyperion, Stuckton Hill; 20/0530 The Glen, Frogham; 20/0532 3 The Cottages, N. Gorley – fell 1 Ash; 20/0545 Little Mere, North Gorley – fell 1 Ash; 20/0557 Greenway, Hungerford Hill – fell 1 Fir; 20/0568 TPO Hydeaway, Hern Lane – prune 1 Oak; 20/0570 Holly House, North Gorley – various tree management: *all raise no objections*

b. Other planning matters

- **Enforcement/Appeals** – the appeal decision for High Hazley had been circulated to members (a split decision, appeal allowed for the conservatory and woodstore, dismissed for the soft landscaping).

It was agreed that Cllrs McKenzie and Dolphin would consider the applications for December prior to the meeting.

6. **Report from County Councillor Edward Heron (HCC)** – Cllr Heron asked that the Hampshire Coronavirus Helpline was circulated as much as possible to highlight the additional help available to residents, not only support with food but also for debt management and mental health: **0333 370 4000** is the number to call.

7. Report from District Councillor Emma Lane (NFDC)

Cllr Lane was not present at the meeting but had sent the following information:

- Waste strategy: <https://www.newforest.gov.uk/wastestrategy> It was noted that the final solution for the District may include local variations to allow for the differences between the urban and more rural areas.
- Suspension of parking charges – 12th & 13th December plus 19th & 20th

8. Highways/Lengthsman

- It was noted that a further issue had arisen at Popes Lane and that this had been dealt with by the Highways Team. The culvert works remain outstanding but the additional issue has put the works back on the radar of the senior Highways team.
- Reflector posts at Stuckton – re-reported but no positive response from HCC
- Drains at Stuckton (in front of Three Lions) – works are due to be undertaken
- Clerk to report potholes at Hern Lane and Stuckton
- Works for lengthsman required by Friday 20th November.

9. Forest/Footpaths/Commons

- Ogdens stream – FE have confirmed the area is under their management but will not allow volunteers to help clear the area – it has been added to the local teams worksheet to do when they have time
- FE starting work at Ogdens – dragons teeth, 9th November – plus car park to be closed over winter. It was noted that this will increase parking on HCC common land (also SSSI) at Ogdens North – it was agreed to keep under review and report to the Ranger and Cllr Heron. Cllr Heron to confirm whether parking stickers were available from HCC to discourage parking.
- Cllr Sevier to follow-up the stile replacements with the footpath team.
- Bridleway 714 – it was agreed to keep under review as the Rights of Way team have to complete the works started in 2018.
- **New Chairman for New Forest National Park Authority:** Professor Gavin Parker has been elected as the new Chairman for the New Forest National Park Authority.
- **Remind residents it's the deadliest month for animal accidents - #add3minutes**

Cllr Heron left the meeting at 20.15

10. Finance

Balances in the accounts

Lloyds/TSB Treasurer's a/c	£15294.06 (following current months expenditure)
Lloyds/TSB BIA a/c	£247.56
Post Office/NS&I	£2771.10

Cheques: M Coatham (Oct 20 Clerks Salary, £405.41), HMRC (tax & NI, Oct 20, £7.00), Hampshire Pension Fund (Oct 20, £106.48),)

Other financial matters: CIL – received £1626.24 (Apr 19) – we have five years to spend from that date.

Members approved the cheques.

11. Internal Auditor – Members agreed to continue with the appointment of internal auditor (IAC)

12. Annual Review of Clerks Salary

The Clerks salary is reviewed each November. In 2019 it was agreed to increase the hours to 9 per week and for the clerk to keep note of these hours. The Clerk has reported that 9 hours per week is sufficient at the current time. The local government pay scales were increased in August (backdated to April 2020) by 2.75% - the Clerk is currently on SCP12 £11.19 per hour – this should increase to £11.50 per hour with the new scales. This would translate to a monthly wage of £448.50 and backpay will be due of £84.63. **Members approved the salary increase in line with the Clerks contract of employment.**

13. S137 Grants: Members agreed the following S137 Grants for 2020/21:

Payee	Nature of Payment	Amount
CPRE	Subscription	£36.00
Royal British Legion (Poppy wreath)	Grant	£30.00
Salisbury Hospice Trust	Grant	£250.00
Link Lunch	Grant	£60.00
Avon Valley First Responders	Grant	£250.00
Fordingbridge Day Centre/Rae Stratton Lunch Club	Grant	£50.00
HIOW Air Ambulance	Grant	£250.00
Fordingbridge Town Council – Rec	Grant	£275.00
Hyde PCC – Churchyard	Grant	£275.00
Total		£1476.00

14. Emergency Plan

It was noted that only one additional volunteer came forward following the request in the last newsletter. There was concern that the support network volunteers would be lost after the pandemic – the Clerk to ask the team to contact the volunteers by email and see if they are prepared to transfer their contact details to the Parish Emergency List (under GDPR regulations). Members agreed to review the annual statement prior to the next meeting and agree if any improvements can be made.

15. Coronavirus and Parish Response

Hyde Parish Support Network were due to start weekly coffee morning (by invitation only) but this has been postponed due to lockdown. The support network is still operating and a reminder will be sent with the newsletters in case anyone requires support as the winter approaches and lockdown continues. The support group have proposed a Christmas trail to brighten up the parish and improve wellbeing – flyers will be sent out with the newsletter and on the noticeboards. Members agreed to fund some small prizes for the competition and print any necessary paperwork. The trail will comply with the appropriate guidance and there will be a prize-giving event with music and carols (if permitted) on Sunday 20th December. Details will be posted on the parish website, noticeboards and via Neighbourhood Watch.

16. Consultations (responses will be posted on the parish website): NFDC Waste Strategy – the information will be available online from 12th November with responses required by 10th December. Members to review the information prior to the next meeting and submit individual responses if necessary.

17. Correspondence: Nil further to report – the envelope will be circulated to members with the NPA Annual Review and Clerks & Councils Magazine.

18. Reports of Representatives – none. All other meetings (NPA and NFDC) are cancelled for time being so nothing to report.

The meeting closed at 20.50

It is likely that the December meeting will also be a virtual (Zoom) meeting. This will take place on Wednesday 9th December – further details will be available online nearer to the time.