

HAWKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Hawkley Parish Council held at Hawkley Parish Hall on Wednesday 6th February 2008 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: P. CregeenChairman
N. Davis.....Vice-Chairman
Cllr's: R. Robinson., C. Butcher., J. Scutt., J. Caesar, S. Sinclair,
Mrs M. BirrellClerk to the Council

Also present: J. Onslow (District Councillor), P. Burridge ,
G. Robinson, 1 Member of the Public

Apologies for Absence

07/61 Apologies received from D. Caukill, B. Adams (Representative for South Downs National Park). No apologies received from M. Cartwright (County Councillor).

Minutes Silence

07/62 The Chairman proposed a minutes silence be held at the start of the meeting, in memory of David Rigby, who died recently following a long illness. David Rigby will be remembered for his long service to Hawkley Parish Council in his capacity as Councillor.

Declaration of Interests

07/63 Three declarations of interest were received and noted:
S. Sinclair declared an interest in Planning Application 508848, Hill Place, Empshott;
J. Caesar declared an interest in Planning Application 29722/022, The Old Barn, The Hollow, Hawkley.
P. Cregeen declared an interest in Planning Application 29722/021, Happy Snapper.
Neither S. Sinclair, J. Caesar or P. Cregeen wished to speak on the items of interest declared, as there were no contentious issues relating to these planning applications. Therefore it was RESOLVED: that it was not necessary to create a space in the meeting for public debate, and the interests were duly noted by the Clerk in the Declaration of Interest Book.

Report of the District Councillor

07/64 J. Onslow advised that she had invited P. Burridge (District Councillor holding Portfolio on Cabinet, Building Development) to speak to the Parish Council, advising on matters related to Gypsy Encampment and the provision of sites for travellers. P. Burridge reported on the various options available to SEERA in Spring 2008 relating to:
a) Permanent Sites b) Transit Sites and c) Travelling shows.
He reported that SEERA would be concentrating initially on the first item (a. Permanent Sites) A new report has been commissioned which will be released in Spring 2008, followed by a debate (likely to be held by the Community forum) for which he encouraged the Parish Council to participate actively in any debate. EHDC will inform of the date(s) of meetings nearer the time. P. Burridge acknowledged Hawkley's need to identify a suitable site within 3 years for the current Gypsy family to be transferred to. He confirmed that SEERA were actively seeking to identify possible sites and their awareness of Hawkley's situation. The Chairman requested to know who, within SEERA, was managing this. P. Burridge did not know but advised that EHDC and SEERA will need to work together to resolve the site issue. J. Scutt mentioned his concern that the current situation sends a message to other gypsy families who may also be seeking a place to settle. The Chairman advised of newly built stables on the Hawkley encampment site, which did not appear to have planning permission. P. Burridge confirmed that planning permission should have been requested. The Chairman also advised of three fluorescent posts which had appeared outside the site entrance and a need to identify who to report this to. P. Burridge advised this may be a matter for both Lesley Wells at EHDC and HCC Highways. It was questioned whether there may now be grounds for expulsion of the family from the site due to these breaches of planning. RESOLVED: that the Clerk would contact Lesley Wells to advise of the above details of possible planning breaches.

South Downs National Park

07/65 B. Adams, Representative for Hawkley Parish Council on the South Downs National Park, sent his apologies for not being able to attend the meeting and provided a brief report on the 3 meetings that he has attended since May 2007. The Chairman read the contents of the report to the meeting, which outlined the work related to the creation of the South Downs Management Plan in advance of the National Park; the important issue of the Inspector's

reduced boundary leaving out the 'wield' which would mean a National Park which excluded towns and included villages only. The Public Enquiry is set for 12th February to consider the reinstatement of the excluded area within the boundary.

P. Burridge spoke of EHDC's clear, cohesive case to the forthcoming enquiry.

Finance

07/66

- (a) The Chairman presented the Quarterly Financial Statement & Interim Summary to 30.12.2007
- (b) A Grants Requests from Hampshire County Youth Band Assoc. was considered and unanimously agreed to make a donation payment of £25
- (c) The following payments were presented for approval:
 - i) A. Madeley (Lengthsman Payment Due March 08) £ 735
 - ii) Hawkley Parish Hall (Hall Hire) £ 96
 - iii) Clerk's Expenses (1 Nov- 31 Jan 08) £ 158.89
 - iv) Clerks Salary: (Feb, March & April 2008 inc) £ 904.86

This comprising of three cheques, post dated
20/2/08; 20/3/08; and 20/3/08.

Proposed by C. Butcher and seconded by R. Robinson and RESOLVED: That the above Financial decisions (07/66 a, b, and c) and payments be authorised.

Planning

07/67

- (a) Update on *Appeal*: Parklands, Snailing Lane:
The Chairman reported that the above appeal took place in Greatham Village Hall 4th December 2007 and had been rejected.
- (b) New Applications Received
The following new planning applications have been received since the previous meeting: (EHDC Decisions indicated in bold)
 1. 15/10/07 *Yew Tree Cottage, Empshott Green Lane, GU33 6HU*: Ref:22762 **Consent**
Convert existing playroom to dining room/studio; addition of window to side and replace existing window with door on north elevation; new internal doors and archway linking studio to proposed plant room/store.
 2. 15/10/07 *Yew Tree Cottage, Empshott Green lane, GU33 6HU*: Ref: 22762/006 **Permission**
Plant room and store after demo of outbuildings; swim pool to rear (FUL).
 3. 03/12/07 *2 Parklands, Snailing Lane, hawkley, GU33 6HQ*. Ref: 50722 **Permitted**
Single storey extn to rear after demolition of conservatory.
 4. 03/12/07 *Happy Snapper, The Hollow, Hawkley, Liss. GU33 6LU*. Ref:29722 **Permitted**
Certificate of lawfulness to allow occupancy by non-agricultural forestry worker (removal of condition 6 29722/00)
 5. 10/12/07 *The Old House, Vicarage Lane, Hawkley, Liss GU33 6NQ* Ref:27037
Two storey and single storey extension. **Permitted**
 6. 04/01/08 *Oakshott Hanger, Middle Oakshott Farm Lane, Hawkley. GU33 6LP*. Ref:34500
Replacement detached double garage with store to side and studio above. **Withdrawn**
 7. 08/01/08 *The Old Barn, The Hollow, Hawkley, GU33 6LU* Ref:29722/022
Single storey annexe to side.
 8. 25/1/08 *Hill Place, Church Lane, Empshott, GU33 6HT*. Ref: 50848
Air Heat Source Pump and Associated Tank.
- (c) Previous Applications & other Planning Matters: It was noted that since the release of this Meeting Agenda, a new planning application had been received by 'Inholms' Snailing Lane.

Standfast Lane

07/68 The Chairman advised of the Public Notification by EHDC for the TRO period (6 months from Dec 2007).

6 Stairs Hill

07/69 A previous enforcement matter, it has been reported that the original problem still exists. P. Burridge advised that the Parish Council alerts EHDC, Lesley Wells. RESOLVED: to advise EHDC.

The Orchard, Oakshott Hanger

07/70 It was reported by JC and JS that this property has an accumulation of unsightly and possibly environmentally dangerous old tractors, batteries and debris.

Following discussion it was RESOLVED: that EHDC would be advised and requested to visit the site.

Jolly Robins Pond

07/71 The Chairman reported on recent problems of overflowing ditch and blocked drains at Jolly Robins Pond, and advised on a visit by HCC Highways who are exploring ways to improve and clear the drain. The Chairman also proposed a plan to improve the pond and its surroundings, and currently awaits a quote for the work. In addition, a payment of £10 was proposed to reimburse Mr. Quintaba for materials purchased earlier this year to clear Jolly Robbins pond of pond weed. R Robinson enquired of M. Birrell if the costs of maintenance would constitute a section 137 payment. M. Birrell advised that previous pond maintenance was funded by a grant from EHDC and that she would make new enquiries to EHDC for funding as a first option. RESOLVED: to seek funding for the project.

Report of the Representatives

- 07/71 (a) Hawkley Parish Hall; N. Davis advised that there was nothing new to report.
- (b) Footpaths: G. Robinson mentioned the burnt out car wreck still awaiting removal by EHDC (in previous minutes ref:07/55).
- (c) Ashford Hangers: G. Robinson advised of another volunteer day on Sun 17th Feb, All are welcome to attend and join in. She is also considering requesting P. Thompson (Queen Elizabeth Park) to provide a talk on the Ashford Hangers, and this will need to be confirmed at the next Parish Council meeting.
- (d) Lengthsman:
1. The Chairman reported on a new dual purpose bin that had been newly installed outside the Church by EHDC, for which a special agreement has been reached that EHDC will empty this one bin in Hawkley – as we have no keys to the new bin and our Lengthsman contract does not include the removal of dog waste from bins. The old rusty bin is still awaiting removal. A second replacement bin is still awaited in Empshott.
 2. The chairman advised of the Lengthsman's recent report of overgrown hedges along the Selborne Road.
 3. A. Madeley reported some serious potholes have appeared on Mabbots Lane (before Hawkley Hurst Drive). RESOLVED: that The Clerk would report the matter to Hampshire Highways.

Vandalism in the Village

07/72 A. Madeley reported on some anti-social behaviour by two youths in the village. RESOLVED: that J. Scutt would approach the parent of one of the youths to discuss the problem. If problems continue, other agencies may be invited to monitor the situation.

Annual Parish Meeting

07/73 RESOLVED: that the date for the Annual Parish Meeting will be Wednesday 16th April 2008, at 7.30 p.m. to be held at Hawkley Parish Hall.

Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting

07/74 RESOLVED: that the date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Wednesday 14th May 2008 at 7.30 p.m. to be held at Hawkley Parish Hall.

Closing of Meeting:

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10 hours.

Chairman

Date