

CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on Monday 23rd March 2015 in Crondall Church Rooms

- PRESENT:** Cllr D Argent – Vice Chairman in the Chair
Cllrs C Bryant, E Groslin, C Hebborn, N Lambert, M Roberts
- APOLOGIES:** Cllrs C Dorn, I Fortune– Crondall Parish Council
Cllr K Crookes, Hart District Council
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs M Harris - Parish Clerk
Cllrs S Gorys and J Kennett (until 8.55pm), Hart District Council
Cllr J Glenn (from 7.43pm – 8.32pm)
Eight members of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.31pm and ended at 9.35pm

342/14 Declarations of Interest

Cllr D Argent declared a pecuniary and prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 8, a Planning Application for The Close. Cllr Groslin declared an interest in a planning application for her next-door neighbour.

343/14 Minutes of 23rd February 2015 meeting

Cllr Lambert expressed dissatisfaction that the Minutes had not detailed more of his personal comments under item 322/14. The Minutes were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Groslin, seconded by Cllr Bryant and **AGREED** (In Favour 4:1 Against:1 Abstention). The Chairman signed the Minutes.

Matters arising from the 23rd February 2015 meeting not covered by the agenda

344/14, 319/14 Purchase of Roller and Chain Harrow

The Clerk reported that these had been purchased, the harrow had been delivered and the roller was expected shortly.

345/14, 320/14 Footpath obstruction

Cllr Bryant reported that the footpath had now been cleared and there were no further obstructions.

346/14, 325/14 Old Parsonage Meadow

The Clerk reported that she had written to Hart District Council as requested and awaited a response. It was noted that it was the Parish Council who were mandated to set up a Working Group. A decision on this was deferred until after the response from HDC.

347/14, 330/14 Doras Green Lane / Heath Lane crossroads

The positive response from HCC was noted. Cllr Argent reported on the specific actions which were promised for the new financial year.

348/14, 331/14 Dog Fouling / Dog Warden

The Clerk reported that she was pursuing this matter.

349/14, 333/14, Hook Meadow entrance

Cllr Lambert expressed dissatisfaction with the finish to this area which he said was not as agreed. Concerns were also expressed about the loose material and larger stones on the

surface. The Clerk was asked to speak to the contractor on their return to site and request a better feathered edge with smaller material.

350/14 Announcements from the Chairman, Clerk, and Members questions received in advance.

There were no Announcements and no Members questions.

351/14 Representations by the public

Representatives of Crondall Cricket Club attended to request permission to erect a ball proof fence or net on Hook Meadow to prevent problems with lost balls and dog mess on the Croft Lane and Tennis Court hedge lines. A number of alternative solutions were suggested. Following discussion Cllr Argent proposed that CCC be allowed to erect a post and rail fence close to the hedges behind which they would fix ball stop netting, Cllr Lambert asked for an amendment that this be in place for one year only, but this received no support. The original motion was seconded by Cllr Groslin and **AGREED** (In Favour 5:1 Against).

Council stressed that they wished to see a prototype first. CCC agreed to erect a trial length of fence for Councillors to observe and comment on. In recognition of Council's agreement and the difficulties that this solution might present with maintaining the hedges CCC agreed to take responsibility for cutting any hedge that protrudes through the fencing and netting and for maintaining the hedges top line. The Clerk was requested to draw up an agreement setting out CCC and CPC responsibilities.

In the course of discussion CCC mentioned young people playing cricket at the 'top end' of Hook Meadow. Cllr Lambert asked why Council had not been given information about this. The Clerk was requested to find out more and make Council aware.

Mr Capon a local resident gave a brief presentation on the possibility of installing a defibrillator in the village. Following Councillors' questions and some discussion it was agreed that this item would be placed on the Agenda for formal discussion at the Council's next meeting. Cllr Glenn advised that he may be able to provide some funding for such a facility.

352/14 District Councillors' Report.

Cllr Gorys gave a brief update on Hart District Council matters.

- Work on the Local Plan is progressing with likely completion in 2016.
- HDC has a 6 year land supply so pressure on planning is consequently reduced.
- The Leisure Centre Planning Application goes before Committee on 8th April 2015.
- The Budget has been agreed with no increase in Council Tax in respect of HDC activities.
- Election purdah begins today which means that no speculative or 'political' announcements may be made, otherwise it is 'business as usual'.

In response to a question Cllr Gorys confirmed that the Winchfield 'new town' was not a part of the agreed land supply at present, this may be ten years away if it happens at all.

Cllr Glenn took the opportunity to advise Council that he had nothing particular to report. Cllr Lambert asked about the failure of HCC to mend the numerous pot-holes in the Parish, in particular the ones in Dippenhall Street. Cllr Glenn advised that these be reported to HCC and was advised that HCC were already aware, there had just been no action.

Cllr Glenn advised that he had met with Stagecoach but that due to removal of subsidies from HCC they were unwilling to run any bus service which ran at a loss. It was generally

agreed that as far as Crondall was concerned there was no hope of getting the bus service reinstated. Cllr Glenn was pleased to see that HCC had acted on the Doras Green Lane junction issue.

Cllrs Gorys, Kennett and Glenn were thanked for their attendance and updates.

353/14 Planning applications

Councillors referred to the report circulated in advance by Cllr Lambert.

15/00220/HMC	The Close Dippenhall Street Crondall	Demolition and re-location of a garden wall
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Cllr Lambert proposed **NO OBJECTION** this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and **AGREED** (In Favour 3:1 Against: 1 Abstention).

15/00580/HOU	The Ravelin Croft Lane Crondall GU10 5QF	Demolition of the existing detached double garage and construction of a replacement detached double garage.
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Cllr Lambert proposed **NO OBJECTION** this was seconded by Cllr Hebbron and **AGREED** unanimously.

15/00631/HOU	4 Pankridge Street Crondall GU10 5RQ	Erection of single storey side & rear extension following demolition of existing single garage. Insertion of 2 roof windows in existing rear roof. Insertion of new front door.
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Cllr Lambert proposed **OBJECTION**

Contrived and unworkable parking provision likely to cause on road parking and therefore raising highway safety concerns. The proposed parking is contrary to the HDC Parking Provision Interim Guidance section 6.

The cumulative impact of the proposal is considered to have a negative impact on the character of the area, causing harm and not enhancing it.

There are inconsistent measurements which conflict with this plan and the previous withdrawn application. The Council are also concerned about the poor quality of the plans, which may have been a result of the scanning.

Note: The principle of an extension to this property is not objected to.

Should HDC be minded to grant this application, there should be an approved Construction Method Statement before work begins.

This was seconded by Cllr Argent and **AGREED** unanimously.

15/00588/PRIOR	Longlees Redlands Lane Crondall	Prior Notification under Part 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) of Proposed Change of use from Agricultural Barn at Longlees to Residential.
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This is a Neighbouring Parish application. Cllr Lambert proposed **DEFERRAL** due to the late arrival of this application, this would give time for a comprehensive report to be prepared. This was seconded by Cllr Argent and **AGREED** unanimously.

Cllr Lambert advised that an Enforcement Notice had been placed on 9 Glebe Road where work had started before conditions were met.

Cllr Lambert expressed concern at the poor record of HDC in checking that 'conditions are met'. It was agreed that he would draft a letter for the Clerk to send to HDC planning and enforcement regarding this matter.

A pre-application had been received for 1 Bryons Cottages, Dippenhall Street a Grade II listed building.

Cllr Lambert was thanked for the consistently excellent quality of his reports.

353/14 Hart District Study on Open Space, Sport and Recreation Facilities

Cllr Hebbbron's report was **NOTED**. Disappointment was expressed at the lack of attendance by other parishes at the recent workshop. The allied questionnaire had been widely circulated by Cllr Hebbbron and the Clerk.

354/14 Playground Update and Opening

The Clerk advised Council that arrangements were in place to complete the Playground in the week commencing 30th March 2015, when the safety inspection would also take place. A timed plan for the Playground Opening was circulated. It was agreed that the maintenance gate would be used for access on the day to relieve pressure on the pedestrian gates. The Village Hall had been approached for the use of a couple of tables, the toilets and car park.

355/14 Annual Parish Meeting

The Clerk reported that a representative of the We Heart Hart Campaign had been asked to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting. Cllr Lambert was unhappy with this decision as he would prefer to see something of direct relevance to the village. Other councillors expressed disappointment they had not been consulted on the choice of speaker. It was agreed however that it was too late to make a change.

Cllr Dorn had suggested that the same format was used for the councillors' reports as in the previous year and the Clerk had been instructed to circulate the Power Point presentation.

Cllr Lambert stated that he wished to use his own backgrounds and this was agreed.

Regarding the format of the evening it was suggested that there was a general 20 minute 'wash-up' session after the formal meeting and presentations, followed by refreshments and the opportunity for attendees to chat informally with councillors. This would be encouraged by the provision of wine and nibbles which Cllr Hebbbron kindly agreed to organise.

356/14 Finance - Payments and Purchases to be Made.

Acceptance of the 'payments to be made' was proposed by Cllr Roberts, seconded by Cllr Lambert and **AGREED** unanimously. There were no 'purchases to be made'.

357/14 Finance – Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure to end February 2015.

The Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Report were proposed for adoption by Cllr Hebbbron, seconded by Cllr Roberts and **ADOPTED** unanimously.

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358/14 Estates report.

Cllr Bryant had circulated a written report which was taken as read. The situation regarding the removal of some branches of the Yew tree at the entrance to Hook Meadow was explained. Council is now awaiting permission having had to make an application for work on a tree in the Conservation Area. Cllr Bryant confirmed that the groundsman was moving on from winter jobs to grass cutting etc; he would be cleaning the benches in the play area prior to the formal opening.

359/14 Memorial Applications and Burials.

The Clerk's previously circulated report was taken as read.

360/14 Broadband update

Cllr Hebborn had circulated a report in advance of the meeting which was taken as read. He undertook to keep Council updated on any progress.

361/14 Correspondence

The Clerks and Councils Direct magazine had been received and was available from the Clerk. Further correspondence included bills and notification of an increase in postal charges from 1 April 2015. The clerk proposed to purchase a stock of stamps in advance of the changes. Copies of the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan consultation were circulated for those interested in commenting.

362/14 AOB:

- Cllr Groslin thanked Sean for providing a bin inside the tennis court. She commented on the detrimental effect the two new houses to the rear of the burial ground were having on views of the church. This was echoed by other councillors but it was felt Council were powerless to do anything beyond their original objection to the planning application.
- Cllr Hebborn commented on the mess and damage to verges along Croft Lane caused by lorries undertaking work at The Court. It was stated that HCC Highways had been out to inspect. The Clerk was asked to send a letter to HDC regarding this matter.
- Cllr Lambert suggested that in the summer months it might be useful to take a minibus tour around recent planning sites to see what had been developed, what had worked well and what hadn't. It was generally agreed that this was a great idea and Cllr Lambert undertook to put together a suggested schedule for such a visit.

Signed as a true record dated 20/04/2015