

CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 24th February 2020 in Crondall Church Rooms

PRESENT: Cllr Dorn – Chairman
Cllrs D Argent, C Bryant, R Freeman-Griffiths, C Hebborn, N Lambert
and S O'Connor

APOLOGIES: Cllr M Roberts
Cllrs Crookes and Kennett - Hart DC

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Glen – Hampshire County Council
A Angove - Parish Clerk

There were two members of the public in attendance at the start of the meeting.

The meeting commenced at 7.35pm and ended at 9.05pm.

206/20 Declarations of Interest

None

207/20 Minutes of 27th January 2020

The Minutes of the Council meeting were proposed for acceptance as an accurate record by Cllr Dorn, seconded by Cllr O'Connor and unanimously **AGREED**. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

208/20 In-Committee Minutes of 16th December 2019

The In-Committee Minutes for the Council meeting were proposed for acceptance as an accurate record by Cllr Dorn, seconded by Cllr Argent and **AGREED** (in favour 6:1 against).

209/20 In Committee Minutes of 27th January 2020

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210/20 Matters Arising

196/20 Hampshire Libraries Consultation – it was agreed in the absence of Cllr Roberts that the action be carried forward, with the Clerk confirming that any updates would be emailed to all Councillors.

211/20 Announcements from the Chairman, Clerk, and Members questions received in advance

None

212/20 District Councillor's Report

Cllr Dorn provided an update on the HDC Local Plan. The Examiner's report has been received by HDC and is expected to be endorsed in March. In the meantime, the Local Plan has full weight for all intents and purposes.

HDC elections will be on 7th May as will CPC elections.

Planning – Hart Head of Place Mark Jaggard *is keen to implement a CIL (community infrastructure levy) regime across the District and has experience of delivering this at his previous authority.*

Budget – it was confirmed that budget will go to Hart full council on Thursday 27th February for approval.

Cllr Dorn also made the meeting aware that the government is investigating a new initiative to prevent pavement parking, which may cause some issues in Crondall due to parking practicalities in some areas.

Cllr O'Connor asked whether there were more potential threats from developers challenging the Local Plan. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths confirmed that when HDC adopts the Local Plan, there remains a 6-week period for challenges from third parties; however, the plan has full weight during this period and can only be rejected by the high court.

213/20 County Councillor's Report

Cllr Glen presented a report on the flood forum at HDC which he had attended earlier in the day. There are 23 areas in Hampshire where there is concern around river levels, including Crondall, and having spoken to Neil Landricombe at the Environment Agency, Cllr Glen confirmed that they are keeping a keen eye on Crondall.

Following a question by Cllr O'Connor about flooding near Penncroft Farm, Cllr Glen confirmed that HDC are revisiting this issue. Cllr Glen also confirmed that the main point of communication with HDC on flooding issues was Suzanne Hope.

Cllr Hebron asked whether there was any news about the potential for moving a bus stop on the A287 following a request from a parishioner. Cllr Glen confirmed that he had been away on holiday but would look into it.

213/20 Representations by the public

There were no representations by public.

214/20 Planning Applications

Applications were considered in line with the previously circulated Planning Report and presented by Cllr Freeman-Griffiths.

18/02687/CON	1 Pankridge Street Crondall Farnham GU10 5RQ	Approval of condition 3 – construction method statement – pursuant to 18/02687/FUL erection of a detached dwelling and associated access and parking.
- EHO has objected to the method statement until the statement is amended to apply Hart's standard acceptable construction hours – recommend CPC agrees with this request - Contractor Parking – recommend CPC requests amendment be made so that the statement states "No contractor parking off site". Currently states "Vehicles to be parked off road wherever possible"		
18/02687/NMMA	1 Pankridge Street Crondall Farnham GU10 5RQ	Amendment to add additional window in the ground floor south side elevation pursuant to 18/02687/FUL erection of a detached dwelling and associated access and parking.

Recommendation:

No objection to the additional window on the basis that Hart DC previously concluded no detrimental impact on the neighbouring property

Ask Hart DC to request the applicant change the plan for approval so the top floor window on the southern elevation is returned to its “as approved” scale. This change has not been applied for in the Application Form

In the event the applicant applies for the change to the top floor window on the southern elevation, **object** on the basis of design. The additional length would not match the remainder of the property

Cllr Freeman-Griffiths recommended the applications be approved as per his report. Seconded by Cllr O’Conner and AGREED unanimously.

217/20 To NOTE an update on the outcome of the Broden Stables Appeal

Following the conclusion of the appeal process, an email had been sent to all Cllrs with a copy of the Inspector’s report. Cllr Dorn provided some additional background, confirming that the development had been approved, but the decision had not been straightforward. While the decision in some areas, particularly around RUR2 was thought to be questionable, it was felt that there was insufficient justification for further challenge by CPC.

The working group will continue its work in liaising with the developers in terms of minimising the impact of the development work.

Cllr Lambert suggested that contractor traffic be routed via the top of Redlands Lane, to avoid disruption to the village, and it was confirmed that this would be one of the core activities of the working group.

Cllr Dorn also confirmed that under Section 106, the developers would be making around £15,000 (+ some small inflationary increments) contribution to improvements in recreational facilities in the village. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths asked whether the developers had withdrawn their second application. Cllr Dorn said that the second application was thought to have been withdrawn, however he agreed to check and report at the next meeting.

216/20 To note an update on the status of the proposed Community Store

Simon Crowther had provided a written update to Cllrs prior to the meeting. Cllr Argent confirmed that several discussions were ongoing which could not be further discussed at the meeting. The report was NOTED.

217/20 To note an update on the status of the Neighbourhood Plan and AGREE next steps.

Cllr O’Connor provided a verbal update on the status of the Neighbourhood Plan, confirming that HDC had advised their intention to recommend acceptance of the Plan at their March Cabinet meeting on 5th March 2020. CPC will be submitting the updated version of the plan, including the Examiner’s recommendations (termed the Referendum plan), to Hart prior to 16th March 2020.

Cllr Dorn confirmed that HDC will be adding a note to the Neighbourhood Plan to the effect that the approval of the Broden Stables development eases the development expectations previously planned for Mill Lane. The allocations are now full and should not encounter further legal challenge.

Cllr O'Connor confirmed that an email outlining the Examiner's amendments had previously been issued to all Cllrs. Cllr Dorn confirmed that he would attend the HDC March Cabinet meeting and encouraged other councillors to attend if they so wished.

A discussion was held around the subsequent Referendum to be held on the Plan by Crondall Parish Council. It was confirmed that, although CPC could certainly encourage voting, it could, neither use CPC funds nor seek to influence parishioners as to how to vote. Cllr Dorn agreed to provide further clarity on the rules of the Referendum and report back to CPC members.

Cllr Glen left the meeting.

218/20 Clerk to present outcome of discussion with Crondall Cricket Club. Council to DISCUSS and AGREE way forward.

A report of discussions between CPC and CCC had been circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting. Cllr Argent sought clarity that the reported discussions would form the basis of a revised contract with CCC. The Clerk confirmed that the discussions would indeed form the basis for a revised contract, which would include fixture lists (and a deadline for submitting them) and a fixed schedule for the payment of fees to CPC.

Cllr Lambert stated that he felt that parishioner safety had not been sufficiently addressed in the report. The Clerk confirmed that parishioner safety had been fully addressed including the commitment by CCC to maintain an incident log, and briefings to all team members / captains (including visiting teams) about their health & safety obligations.

The report was proposed by Cllr Argent and seconded by Cllr O'Connor, and AGREED (in favour 4:2 against, 1 abstained).

A member of the public left the meeting.

219/20 To consider the content and format of the Annual Parish Meeting – 16th March 2020

Cllr Dorn confirmed that unfortunately, the proposed viniculture speaker at the meeting had had to pull out, and that therefore the annual Parish Meeting would go ahead without a visiting speaker. Cllr Lambert expressed his frustration that Hampshire police would not be attending, which was a sentiment shared by the meeting.

220/20 To consider and AGREE expenditure for new barrier gate to Recreation Area.

The Clerk had provided a report prior to the meeting with costed options for replacement gates and height restrictors. Following discussions, Cllr Dorn proposed that CPC go ahead with Quote 1 Option 2 (a new one-bar gate with a height restrictor). This was seconded by Cllr Freeman-Griffiths and AGREED (in favour 5: 2 against).

221/20 To consider and AGREE expenditure for CiLCA accreditation and benefits of "power of general competence".

Cllr Argent confirmed that following discussion with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk, he would advise that CPC defers this item indefinitely as it was felt that such training was not currently needed. Cllr Dorn proposed that CiLCA accreditation be postponed indefinitely, AGREED unanimously.

Finance and Risk Management

222/20 To NOTE the Risk Management Register 03/2020

There were no questions. The report was formally **NOTED**.

223/20 Ratification of payments

- There were no questions. The report was proposed by Cllr Argent, seconded by Cllr Dorn and **AGREED** (in favour 5:2 Against).
- There were no expenditure requests.

224/20 Income and Expenditure report for January 2020 and Balance Sheet at 31st January 2020.

The report was **NOTED**.

225/20 Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk had undertaken an independent examination of the Bank Reconciliation for January 2020. No questions were raised. Council **NOTED** the Clerk's report.

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226/20 Estates Report

The Clerk explained that the new Kubota ride-on was due to be delivered within the next week. Council **NOTED** the report.

227/20 Memorial Applications and Burials

Council **NOTED** the report.

228/20 Footpaths Report

Cllr Hebborn that there were no updates this month but that conditions remained very wet. An issue with a low hanging bush across a footpath near the school was raised. Cllr Hebborn confirmed that he would look into it.

229/20 Correspondence

It was confirmed that all email correspondence has been circulated to councillors. Physical post was arranged for Cllrs to view.

230/20 Any Other Business

Cllr O'Connor questioned why Pankridge Street was being closed for two days. Cllr Dorn confirmed he believed that it was for ongoing resurfacing work.

Signed as a true record dated 23.03.2020