

CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held on Monday 23rd March 2020 in Crondall Church Rooms

Note: Due to the Covid-19 emergency, two Councillors opted to join the meeting via “Zoom” (proprietary video conference product) to enable them to participate in the discussions but not to take part in any vote.

PRESENT: Councillor Dorn – Chairman
Councillors R Freeman-Griffiths, C Hebbbron and S O’Connor

PRESENT via dial in: Councillors D Argent and M Roberts

APOLOGIES: Councillor Glen – Hampshire County Council
Councillors Crookes and Kennett - Hart DC
Councillor C Bryant – Crondall Parish Council

IN ATTENDANCE via dial in: A Angove - Parish Clerk

Meeting notices had discouraged members of the public from attending the meeting. None did, and other than as set out at 234/20 below, no representations by other means on any agenda item had been received by the Clerk.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and ended at 8.18pm.

231/20 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Dorn declared a non-pecuniary interest in respect of APP/N1730/W/20/3246254 as his children attend school with those of the appellant.

232/20 Minutes of 24th February 2020

The Minutes of the Council meeting were proposed for acceptance as an accurate record by Councillor Dorn, seconded by Councillor O’Connor and unanimously **AGREED**. The Chairman signed the Minutes. This was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.

233/20 Announcements from the Chairman, Clerk and Members questions received in advance

None

234/20 Representations by the public

The Clerk confirmed that one representation had been made by a member of the public which related to planning application 20/00651/FUL (Rye Common). The details had already been forwarded to the Planning Lead and the Chairman and the representation noted.

There were no further representations by the public.

235/20 Planning Applications

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

APP/N1730/W/20/3246254	from Bowling Alley Land North of Erlands House Bowling Alley Crondall Farnham Surrey GU10 5RL	Erection of three detached dwellings with garages and new access
Recommendation: To make a representation to the Hearing to OBJECT on the basis of: CPC's previous objection, but updated to take into account the new Local Plan and the considerable weight that must be given to the draft Neighbourhood Plan: Contrary to NBE1 Contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan Unlike Broden stables, not PDL No housing need Support Hart DC's previous refusal That CPC should apply for Rule 6 Status Proposed by Councillor Freeman-Griffiths, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and AGREED unanimously. The decision was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.		

20/00651/FUL	STREET RECORD Rye Common Lane Crondall Farnham	Proposed energy storage facility to provide energy balancing services to the National Grid
Recommendation: OBJECT on the grounds that: Contrary to current Local Plan GEN10 on grounds of impact on residential amenity due to visual impact Contrary to emerging Local Plan NBE1 on grounds of does not meet the criteria for development in the open countryside NBE11 on grounds of impact on residential amenity due to visual impact Proposed by Councillor Freeman-Griffiths, seconded by Councillor Hebborn and AGREED unanimously. The decision was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.		

236/20 To DISCUSS and AGREE contingency arrangements under Covid-19 constraints

The Clerk had previously distributed a COVID19 report, with recommendations to CPC members. This report was then used as the basis for CPC discussion, with Councillors acknowledging the ever-changing and unprecedented nature of the pandemic and its impact.

Item 2 in the report (support to parishioners in partnership with the Parochial Church Council) was amended to remove the budgetary limit.

Councillor Dorn proposed that the report (with amendment to item 2) be accepted by CPC. Seconded by Councillor Freeman-Griffiths. **AGREED** unanimously, endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.

237/20 To AGREE a replacement hedge cutting solution.

The Clerk had previously provided a report on options for hedge cutting, equipment purchase/hire etc. The meeting agreed on the Clerk's proposition that, given the pressing timescales for a Spring cut, CPC would endeavour to rent a side-arm flail mower for one or

two days for the Groundsman to use. Thereafter, and in advance of the Autumn cut, a more permanent solution would be agreed. Item agreed to be **DEFERRED**.

Finance and Risk Management

238/20 Asset Register 03/2020

There were no questions. The circulated Asset Register dated 20th March 2020 was proposed for approval by Councillor Dorn, seconded by Councillor Hebborn and **AGREED** unanimously. This was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.

239/20 Ratification of payments

- The report was proposed by Councillor Dorn, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously **AGREED**. This was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.
- The Spending request was proposed by Councillor Dorn, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously **AGREED**. This was endorsed by the two dial-in Councillors.

240/20 Income and Expenditure report for February 2020 and Balance Sheet at 29th February 2020.

No questions were raised. The report was **NOTED**.

241/20 Bank Reconciliation

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

242/20 Correspondence

It was confirmed that all email correspondence has been circulated to councillors and that there were no physical media to share.

243/20 Any Other Business

Councillor O'Connor raised an issue whereby trees had been felled within the conservation area seemingly without permission. This was noted by the meeting, for investigation prior to the next meeting.

Councillor Argent congratulated the Chairman on the arrangements he had made for conducting the meeting in the current difficult circumstances.

Signed as a true record dated 27.04.2020