

CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held “virtually” on Monday, 26th April 2021

Note: Due to the Covid-19 emergency and in accordance with the Coronavirus Act 2020 {SI 392: The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020} the meeting was held “virtually” via “Zoom” (proprietary video conference product). Due to issues with simultaneously broadcasting via Facebook live feed, the meeting was recorded. A copy of this recording was posted for public viewing on the Parish Council Facebook page after the meeting. Key documents were displayed to participants during the meeting via the “share screen” functions.

PRESENT via Zoom Meeting

Councillor M Roberts – Chairman

Councillors D Argent, C Bryant*, R Freeman-Griffiths*, Cllr C Hebborn*, N Lambert, S O’Connor, and W Douglas.

(*joined part way through the meeting)

APOLOGIES:

Cllr K Crookes – Hart District Council

IN ATTENDANCE via Zoom

Meeting:

Councillor J Glen – Hampshire County Council

Councillors C Dorn and J Kennett – Hart District Council

A Angove - Parish Clerk

The meeting commenced at 7.32 pm and ended at 8.38 pm. One member of the public joined the Zoom meeting.

223/21 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Douglas declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Mill Lane planning application (21/00654/FUL Foxfield) and confirmed that he would abstain from voting on it.

224/21 Minutes of 22nd March 2021

The Clerk made one amendment to the minutes to confirm that one member of the public had attended the meeting. The amended minutes were proposed for acceptance as an accurate record by Cllr Roberts, seconded by Cllr Argent and **AGREED** unanimously. The Chairman signed the minutes.

225/21 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

226/21 Announcements from the Chairman, Clerk and Members questions received in advance

Cllr Roberts confirmed that the forthcoming elections would be uncontested. Three current councillors would not be standing for re-election (Cllrs O’Connor, Hebborn and Bryant), and two new councillors would be joining (Rupert Fitzhugh and Stuart Worthington). Cllr Roberts thanked the outgoing Cllrs for their sterling work over the years.

227/21 County and District Councillors Report

District Councillor – Cllr Dorn

- Roadworks on Redlands Lane continue to cause huge disruption to the village. They are now crossing Pankridge St to complete the last section. It is, however, understood that there may be

some more later in the year. The unauthorised use of upper Redlands by large lorries has been discussed with Hart enforcement, who will take the appropriate action, but this is likely to be more advisory than punitive.

- There is a change.org petition opposing the garden village scheme at Shapley Heath, which Cllr Dorn confirmed he will share with councillors. It is becoming clearer that SHGV will not be a village, but 4-5 smaller dormitories linked by narrow roads separated by railway, motorway, and canal. The forthcoming national planning regulation updates (expected in the summer) are expected to give Hart a lower total, while the slower buildout rates (partially due to Covid) also help. Cllr Dorn expressed the opinion that fundamentally the options need to be objectively re-evaluated, especially in light of the Climate Emergency motion, adding that they will be put to full Council next week.
- On the subject of the elections taking place on 6th May, Cllr Dorn confirmed that postal votes have already started being delivered and encouraged people to return them as soon as possible.

Cllr Roberts asked Cllr Freeman-Griffiths if there was anything he wished to add to Cllr Dorn's statements on the Broden Stables development. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths confirmed that he and the Clerk were responding to various issues raised on social media by local residents, including access to Redlands Lane from Pankridge Street. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths also confirmed that Cala Homes were actually ahead of schedule and would be re-opening the road by the end of the week. Cllr Dorn acknowledged that Cala Homes had tried where possible to maintain access to Redlands Lane, and that the opening and closing may have contributed to some confusion for residents. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths added that, as part of the development a photographic survey of the condition of Redlands Lane had been conducted, to form part of the basis for road repairs and maintenance following completion of the building programme.

(Cllr Hebborn joined the meeting)

County Councillor – Cllr Glen

- Cllr Glen offered to act as a conduit for Crondall residents with HCC, should their concerns relating to roadworks not be addressed by HCC in a reasonable time.
- Cllr Glen reiterated his, and more general concerns that solar farms are increasingly being developed on arable land taking advantage of planning loopholes which in time could allow solar farms to be designated as "previously developed" and therefore become eligible for housing developments. The local MP is taking the matter up with the Secretary of State.
- Cllr Glen reminded the meeting of Cllr Dorn's request for parishioners to return their postal votes for the local, district and county council elections, and the Neighbourhood Plan in good time to ensure they would be counted.
- Following the recent decision by the Secretary of State not to extend powers for parish councils to meet remotely past mid-May, Cllr Glen confirmed that face-to-face meetings would resume from that point. He confirmed that there was a growing support for hybrid meetings to be permitted but at this stage they are not permitted.

228/21 Representations by the public

The Clerk confirmed that there were no representations from the public

(Cllr Dorn left the meeting)

229/21 Planning Applications

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

21/00654/FUL	Foxfield Mill Lane Crandall GU10 5RP	Demolition of store and stables and erection of a single storey detached residential annex.
Recommendation: <u>Object</u>: - This is not an annex as described in the planning application but a wholly new independent dwelling and should be described as such; - Whilst the applicant is willing to enter into a section 106 agreement to keep the dwelling ancillary to the main house, the need for such independent accommodation is not justified in the application – simply stating that it would be used by the current owners. Why the current owners would require a fully functioning independent accommodation is not clear. Cllr Argent raised the question about how independent or ancillary the proposed structure was. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths confirmed that it was his understanding that the structure could not be rented out to third parties and that only residents of the main house could use it. <i>(Cllr Bryant joined the meeting)</i> Cllr Freeman-Griffiths expressed some concern about how such buildings remain for ancillary use and do not become integrated into the main dwelling. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths proposed as listed, with the added observation that there was no 106 agreement for CPC to consider. Seconded by Cllr Hebbron and AGREED (in favour 5:1 against, 2 abstain).		
21/00737/HOU	The Bourne Redlands Lane Crandall GU10 5RF	Creation of a first floor and insertion of two windows to ground floor east.
Recommendation: <u>No Objection</u> subject to usual conditions on prior approval of materials: - Property not visible to the public; - No residential amenity issues with the height or windows; - Design in keeping with the existing dwelling. Cllr Argent suggested that it would be pertinent to raise the possibility of delivery issues due to the ongoing development at Broden Stables. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths proposed as listed, seconded by Cllr Roberts and AGREED unanimously.		
21/00735/HOU	Middlemarsh Bowling Alley Crandall GU10 5RJ	Erection of a single storey rear extension.
Recommendation: <u>No Objection</u> subject to usual conditions on prior approval of materials. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths proposed as listed, seconded by Cllr Argent and AGREED unanimously.		
21/00823/FUL	Oakview House Redlands Lane Ewshot GU10 5AR	Installation of below ground swimming pool and conversion of stable to home gym and alterations to windows and doors.
Recommendation: <u>No Objection</u> subject to usual conditions on prior approval of materials. Cllr Freeman-Griffiths proposed as listed, seconded by Cllr Douglas and AGREED unanimously.		
21/01061/FUL 21/01054/FUL	Deerswood Farnham Road Ewshot GU10 5AY	Erection of 4 garages on existing hardstanding and a cover for the existing horse walker.
Recommendation: <u>No Objection</u> subject to usual conditions on prior approval of materials. Cllr Freeman -Griffiths proposed as listed with the added recommendation that appropriate colouring for the countryside be used. Seconded by Cllr Lambert and AGREED unanimously.		

Cllr Roberts thanked Cllr Freeman-Griffiths for his report.

PROJECTS

230/21 Broden Stables – to NOTE an update

In addition to the points raised in the District Councillors report, the Clerk confirmed that she was liaising with Cala Homes with the intention of holding a meeting with Cala and the Broden Stables Working Group to talk through some of the issues and confirm timescales for the ongoing build, road closures etc.

Cllr Robert assured the meeting that a lot of work was going on behind the scenes and thanked everyone for their contributions.

231/21 Conservation Area Documentation – to NOTE an update

Cllr Freeman-Griffiths confirmed that he had received an initial draft of the outline document from Alan Baxter Associates, and that he would be reviewing that document with a view to bringing a draft to the attention of CPC members in due course.

(Cllr Freeman-Griffiths left the meeting)

232/21 Car Parking – to discuss and AGREE the amendments to the agreements with Crondall Primary School

The Clerk had previously circulated the proposed agreement between CPC and Crondall Primary School, with 2 minor amendments. Cllr Lambert expressed concern that there would still not be enough parking provision around Hook Meadow. Cllr Roberts acknowledged this was a risk, but the meeting agreed that the current plans were a step in the right direction and the situation would be reviewed at the end of 2021. Cllr Roberts proposed that the new wording of the contract be agreed, seconded by Cllr Hebborn and AGREED unanimously.

FINANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

233/21 Ratification of payments

The circulated list of 10 items valued at £4,540.83, including Payroll, was proposed by Cllr Roberts, seconded by Cllr O'Connor and AGREED unanimously.

234/21 To Consider and Agree a list of items for spending requests

None

235/21 To NOTE the Income and Expenditure Report and Balance Sheet to 31st March 2021

A typo on the original document had been highlighted by Cllr Lambert and this was acknowledged by Cllr Argent. There were no questions, and the report was **NOTED**.

236/21 To NOTE the independent examination of the Bank Reconciliation for March 2021

The Clerk confirmed that the independent examination had not taken place and would be included in next month's meeting.

REPORTS

237/21 Clerk's Report

No questions were raised. The Council **NOTED** the report.

238/21 Correspondence

It was confirmed that all email correspondence had been circulated to councillors.

239/21 Any Other Business

None

Signed as a true record dated 17th May 2021