

**MINUTES OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on Monday 10 April 2017  
at the Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton**

**Present:** Mr J Biddlecombe (Vice Chairman, acting Chairman), Cllr K Learney, Mr G Sallis, Mr D Fountain, Mrs A Neilson, Mrs H Saunders, Mr J Mead, Mr R Warren, and Mr C Tee (Clerk)

Also: Cllr P Bailey (HCC), Cllr E Bell (WCC)

17- **Apologies for Absence**

001 Cllr A Weir and Cllr C Horrill (WCC), Mr P Cunningham, Mrs J Burgess and PCSO Bidle sent their apologies.

17- **Declarations of Interest**

002 Mr Warren mentioned that he lives in Bramshaw Close and he has been dealing with a planning application for a property in that street, as shown on the planning schedule and Mr Fountain mentioned that he lives in Ampot Close which is also mentioned twice on the planning schedule.

17- **Minutes of the meeting held 13 March 2017**

003 The minutes of the meeting of 13 March were presented and accepted. It was proposed by Mr Mead and seconded by Mrs Neilson that the minutes be accepted. **RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held 13 March 2017 be approved.**

17- **Matters Arising:** Nil

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17- **Military Report: Sir John Moore Barracks/Worthy Down**

005 No report

17- **Public Participation**

006 Nil.

17- **Police Report**

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PCSO Bidle produced the following report: **This report details incidents from 13/02/2017 – 09/04/2017: Anti-Social Behaviour:** No reports. **Burglary in a dwelling:** Overnight 18/02/2017-19/02/2017: Dwelling burglary Kings Barton housing development (not in the Parish Council area), high value break in, under investigation. **Non-Dwelling Burglary:** Overnight 22/02/2017-23/02/2017, non-dwelling burglary, Priors Dean Road, garage broken into, nothing stolen. **Criminal Damage:** 07/04/2017, criminal damage Abbots Ann Road, Vehicle keyed, under investigation. Nothing else to report. If you have any information relating to the incidents above, please call us on 101. Alternatively if you have any information you wish to pass to us then again call us on 101, email on address below or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Also in the wider area recently we have had a few reports of burglary, they have entered via insecure windows and doors. If everyone could please bear this in mind and make sure properties are secure.

### **Planning**

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The planning schedule for March was circulated and discussed. Cllr Learney attended a meeting with WCC Planning to discuss why a dormer window refused in a planning application was actually allowed in the end to be installed in a property in Harestock; she reported that WCC are currently looking into their procedures as to why this had happened despite it being originally refused. It was confirmed once more that there are no permitted development rights on properties in Harestock.

### **Barton Farm Development**

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Mrs Saunders reported that the next Barton Farm Forum meeting is to take place on 25 April which she and Cllr Learney will attend. Despite Mrs Saunders asking WCC for a separate meeting to be arranged with CALA to discuss a long list of issues relating to traffic control and pedestrian safety which are perceived to be resulting from this large development in the area, there is yet to be such a meeting with the Parish Council. However, there was an informal meeting attended by HCC and WCC to discuss some of these issues, especially the adoption of roads on the new site and, apparently HCC have stated that they will not be adopting many, there so there will have to be a management company set up to maintain these. The other issue discussed at that meeting was the connectivity of the site for non-motorists through Abbots Barton into Winchester. It is intended that there will be a further meeting sometime after the HCC elections to discuss traffic and transport issues relevant to the Parish Council which, it is hoped, the Parish Council will be able to attend. Mrs Saunders also reported that she and the Chairman, Mr Cunningham, had attended an open morning at Henry Beaufort School on 23 March and were shown round its facilities by some pupils which helped further foster relations with the school.

### **Littleton & Harestock Show**

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Mr Warren reported that he had not been able to attend the previous month's show society meeting, but would be attending the next one this month. He had, however, managed to attend the funeral on 3 April of Mr A Brookes, the recent chairman of the society, who had sadly recently passed. Mr A Ormston would be continuing as Chairman. The recently supplied plan for this year's show had been agreed, but up to date insurance schedules were still to be provided.

### **County Councillor's Report**

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Cllr Bailey reported that this was his last meeting as a HCC councillor as he is not standing for re-election, but had brought with him Cllr E Bell of WCC who is standing for HCC election. He agreed that the non-adoption of roads as is proposed on Barton Farm has caused considerable problems elsewhere, such as in Oliver's Battery for example. He also stated that there is a large exercise underway across the Winchester area collecting traffic data. He does not know when the data captured will be made available. He has chased HCC

officers about the matter of pedestrian safety along Main Road, near the Running Horse public house, as has the Parish Council quite separately. He had also seen the Parish Council's request for an update on what is going on with progress on flood mitigation. Mr Biddlecombe mentioned that HCC Highways had completed their work on signs and road markings locally but without any discernible effect on traffic as far as he could tell.

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012 **District Councillors' Report**

Cllr Learney reported that the WCC Local Plan Part 2 has now been signed off by central government, but that work on the next iteration of this would have to start in 2018. WCC has just bought the bus station from Stagecoach and plan to demolish the existing facility and covered areas, making buses run through the new facility in the opposite direction from the Broadway out onto the one way system. HCC and the Police are working on plans to better protect pedestrians in Winchester High Street from possible harm. She also mentioned that WCC has started a review of the new parking arrangements in Weeke with a view to stop people parking in the way of buses and causing other obstructions and the requisite Traffic Order is going through to stop parking all the way along Andover Road opposite the existing housing, except in the dog walking area of Barton Farm near Mountbatten Court, which will have a two hour parking restriction. Mr Warren then mentioned that he had attended the community planning weekend 24/25 March at the Guildhall organised by WCC. Apparently something like 900 people in total attended it.

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013 **Sub-Committees and Other Reports**

- a) Finance:** The latest payments list for March was presented for consideration and accepted. **It was therefore proposed by Mr Fountain and seconded by Mrs Saunders and RESOLVED – That payments totalling £7,124.20 on the March payments schedule should be paid.** The Parish Clerk also mentioned that the annual local council return for the latest financial year needed to be approved by the whole parish council. Firstly, the accounting statements were approved. This was done and unanimously supported. **It was therefore proposed by Mr Fountain and seconded by Mr Biddlecombe and RESOLVED – That the annual accounting statements for 2016/17 be approved.** Secondly, the annual governance statement 2016/17 also needed approval. This was done and unanimously supported. **It was therefore proposed by Mr Fountain and seconded by Mr Sallis and RESOLVED – That the annual governance statement for 2016/17 be approved.**
- b) Environment:** Mrs Saunders reported that she and Mrs Neilson had met the volunteer gardeners who look after the raised flowerbeds outside the Harestock shops with a view to discussing how these might be made more appealing for all. The meeting was very useful and it was agreed that a scheme of revised planting in the autumn would be put in place with the help of the grounds

maintenance contractor, using some funds from the playground budget for this purpose. They were not, however, very impressed with the look of the grassed area next to the shops outside the car park and asked whether WCC could come along and do something about that and also there is a supporting wall owned by the March Hare public house that is in need of repair adjacent to the shops which also needs attention from its owners.

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**c) Playgrounds:** Mrs Neilson and Mrs Saunders reported that they had been looking at provision of possible alternative play equipment instead of simply replacing the recently broken pirates' mast as local residents had voiced interest in having more low level climbing equipment. They were to obtain quotes for this equipment. The pirates' mast would however be reinstated in the meantime.

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**d) Millennium Memorial Hall:** Next meeting in two weeks.

**e) Pavilion, Sports Club & Recreation Ground:** Mr Biddlecombe reported that he had been undertaking research on the creation of possible information boards for the area and brought with him copies of ones recently put up in Kings Worthy and at a former RAF site in West Raynham. After much discussion, it was unanimously agreed to set aside £2,000 of the Parish Council's funds to commission two boards, one about the military history of the area to be placed within the Littleton Recreation Ground and one about the village of Littleton which would be placed by the pond as a central location when all the details and designs for both were agreed by the Parish Council.

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**f) Transport, Traffic & Civil Engineering:** Mr Fountain reported that there are gas repairs underway on Priors Dean Road. Mr Biddlecombe mentioned that he understand HCC are organising a public meeting to let people know about their possible plans on flood mitigation for the north Winchester area.

**g) Pond/island opposite:** Nil

17- **Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month's agenda**

014 Apologies from Mr Mead for the next meeting.

17- **Date of Next Meeting: The Annual Parish Assembly**

015 Monday 8 May 2017 in the Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton at 7.30pm; flyers are already being distributed to all residents to notify them of this.