

**MINUTES OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 12 February 2018
at the Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton**

Present: Mr P Cunningham (Chairman), Mr J Biddlecombe, Mrs A Neilson, Mr J Mead, Mr R Warren, Mrs H Saunders, Cllr K Learney, Mr D Fountain and Mr C Tee (Clerk)

Also: WO1(RSM) J McGrory & Scott and Mr S Abley

17- **Apologies for Absence**

153 Cllr J Warwick (HCC), Cllrs C Horrill & A Weir (WCC), Mrs J Burgess and Mr G Sallis sent their apologies.

17- **Declarations of Interest**

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17- **Minutes of the meeting held 8 January 2018**

155 The minutes of the meeting of 8 January 2018 were presented and accepted. It was proposed by Mr Fountain and seconded by Mr Biddlecombe that the minutes be accepted. **RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held 8 January 2018 be approved.**

17- **Matters Arising:** Mr Fountain asked that Cllr Weir further follow up
156 on the building waste still left outside the property at the corner of Priors Dean Road and Bradley Road as there is still plenty there.

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

157 WO1(RSM) McGrory reported that he brought along his successor, WO1(RSM) Scott as he had been selected for promotion and would be moving on shortly to new duties elsewhere. He thanked the Parish Council for all their assistance and would try and ensure his successor and the RSM at Worthy Down continued to attend Parish Council meetings, as necessary. He was not aware of any further information regarding the closure of the ATR(W) which is still scheduled for December 2020, but does know that the work at Worthy Down is now 12 months behind schedule. ATR(W) has also been approached by the organisers of the Boomtown Festival for use of their parking as a park and ride for that event which is now being considered. Mr Cunningham joined all the Parish Council in thanking WO1(RSM) McGrory for his support, congratulated him on his promotion and wished him well in his career.

17- **Public Participation**

158 Mr S Abley, a local resident, who is starting up a brand new Winchester based charity called the King's City Fund explained how this new charity might be able to assist the Parish Council. The charity is due to come into existence in July or August.

17- **Police Report**

159 This report details incidents from 07/11/2017 – 11/02/2018: **Anti-Social Behaviour:** 17/11/2017 Reports of Nottingham Knocker trying to sell items at door – Bereweke Ave. 20/11/2017 Reports of children playing in the road on a bike. Devenish Road. 21/11/2017

Reports again of youths on a bike in the road. Devenish Road.
Burglary in a dwelling: No reports of Burglary in Littleton or Harestock. **Non-Dwelling Burglary:** Between 05&08/01/2018 – Reported storage containers damaged and power tools stolen from inside. Between 01/03/2017 & 25/01/2018 Report of garage broken into; nothing stolen – Priors Dean Road. Between 23&25/01/2018 Report of garage, lock broken, entry not gained – Priors Dean Road. **Criminal Damage:** 30/11/2017 Criminal Damage reported as part of Domestic incident. **Drugs:** No reports. **Theft from motor vehicle:** 05/01/2018, Report of tools stolen from van – Grayshott Close. **Theft of pedal cycle:** No reports. **Theft of vehicle:** No reports. 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.

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160 **Planning**

The planning schedule for January was circulated and discussed. There is a WCC planning committee meeting this week at which the application relating to 11 Harestock Road is being considered but, as the Parish Council has not objected to this, it will not be represented there it was decided. However, the planning application in respect of 116 Harestock Road is being objected to and should this go to committee then the Parish will be sending a representative to speak. Mr Cunningham then spoke about the continued recent contact between the Parish Council and the owners of the land adjacent to the Running Horse public house. The Parish Council has always sought to merely gain permission for a permissive path on that land to assist pedestrians in moving from one part of the village to the other without having to use the very narrow part of Main Road at that point. However, the landowners will only allow this if the Parish was to support their proposal for two brand new dwellings to be built on that land. This would be development in the conservation area of the village and outside the development boundary. After discussion, a proposal was made to reject this development and, by a vote of 6 to 2, it was agreed to reject the proposal by the landowner. It is not anticipated that there will be any further contact between the landowners and the Parish Council as it seems that no mutual agreement can be reached.

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161 **Barton Farm Development**

There was no specific news, as the next meeting of the forum is on 22 March.

Littleton & Harestock Show

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Mr Warren stated that there is a show society meeting tomorrow night and the society is still looking for a secretary and a treasurer as well as a person to sell advertising. If no one comes forward to fill

these posts by the end of March, the Chairman has said that there will not be any show this year. If there is a show, however, the Parish Council approved the draft show plans submitted recently to it. The memorial bench purchased from the last show proceeds is due to be delivered next week for installation in the Recreation Ground and the picnic bench for the Bradley Road playground has already been delivered but now awaits the creation of some hardstanding at the playground for it to be attached to permanently. Mr Warren also mentioned that there is still no known beneficiary for the proceeds of the next show but one was suggested, a local organisation that assists stroke victims details of which would be relayed to the show committee.

County Councillor's Report

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Cllr Warwick reported the following by email: **Schools Upgrade:** Hampshire County Council has approved plans to upgrade buildings built in the 1960s at three schools including **Westgate School, Winchester - £1,048,000:** Although the school is structurally sound there is poor insulation and relatively high-energy costs. Windows, doors and lights will be replaced, buildings insulated and classrooms will be modernised. **Hampshire County Council's** Cabinet has recommended a 5.99% increase in Council Tax or £67.86 increase a year for band D homes of which 3% of which will be ring-fenced for adult social care. Important services including household waste recycling centres (HWRC), school crossing patrols and community transport schemes will be protected by the increase in Council Tax. The Full Council will make the final decision on 22 February.

Improvements to M3 Junction 9: Highways England has committed to improve Junction 9 at Winnall. Details of the proposed scheme are being shared at the public briefing events below. The project lead has offered to visit other community groups if required. Contact via email: M3junction9Improvements@highwaysengland.co.uk Friday 16 Feb 2pm-8pm and Sat 17 Feb 1030am-430pm Kings Worthy Community Centre. Full details and how to respond to the proposals are also available on www.highways.gov.uk/m3j9

Meals on Wheels Contract: The County has extended its meals on wheels scheme to include vulnerable younger adults that have trouble preparing meals. The new service is due to start on October 1, and will be offered to adults aged 18+ who have difficulty preparing food or managing and maintaining nutrition such as the disabled, those with mental health issues, and people with a history of substance misuse. The council will invest up to £16.4 million in the new contract that will also continue to provide meals for older Hampshire residents **Future proofing Hampshire:** County Council to establish a bold vision to 2050. The County Council's Leader, Councillor Roy Perry, has announced a commission to hear residents, business and key stakeholder views on how the County should invest well for the future. Topics will include for example the impact that the digital revolution, the way we work, and future energy supplies for communities. The commission will commence during 2018.

District Councillors' Report

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Cllr Learney stated that there is to be a 2.9% increase in WCC's council tax for next year and a balanced budget is being proposed but this will leave a £4m hole in the finances in the future which it is not currently known how to plug. She mentioned that the other local WCC members were all currently attending an Environmental Services meeting to discuss the current and future contract arrangements for waste disposal and grass cutting. It was suggested to her that a third wheelie bin for local residents should be considered for garden waste as this works well elsewhere. Cllr Learney then mentioned that there are now extra shelters in place at the Winchester bus station. She has yet to hear of the estates staff at WCC rectifying the problems identified at the front of the Harestock shops; she would chase this up again.

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Sub-Committees and Other Reports

a) Finance: The latest payments list for January 2018 was presented for consideration and accepted. **It was therefore proposed by Mr Fountain and seconded by Mrs Neilson and RESOLVED – That payments totalling £20,269.24 on the January 2018 payments schedule should be paid.** The Parish Clerk then mentioned that he had sent round a General Data Protection Regulation policy document for approval which had received some amendment and was now ready for final acceptance. **It was therefore proposed by Mr Biddlecombe and seconded by Cllr Learney and RESOLVED – That the Parish Council's General Data Protection Regulation policy document should be adopted.** Mr Biddlecombe then mentioned that HCC might well be asking for a financial commitment from the Parish Council in the near future in relation to their local flood mitigation project plans and it was agreed that there is some funding available in the Parish's Earmarked Reserves to make a contribution towards this, if asked.

b) Environment: It was agreed that work would be commenced to renovate the red telephone kiosk in Littleton which now belongs to the Parish Council. A new door needs to be acquired as well as giving it a complete new coat of paint on the outside. This would be organised.

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c) Playgrounds: Mrs Saunders and Mrs Neilson jointly reported that all the improvements to both playgrounds have now been undertaken, with just the results of the annual inspection awaited. These are due very soon which might require some further expenditure. Mrs Neilson mentioned that it might be possible to obtain more adult exercise equipment and perhaps an outdoors table tennis table for installation near the adult exercise equipment with money left in this year's budget. Cllr Learney then mentioned that she is in the process of finalising the design of the winning children's poster competition entries for use in the playgrounds. She would forward these to the Parish Clerk in due course for them to be made into the final products.

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d) Millennium Memorial Hall: Mrs Neilson reported that

there is a trustees meeting next week, nothing more at present.

e) Pavilion, Sports Club & Recreation Ground: Mr

Fountain reported that the next Sports club committee meeting is on 19 February which he cannot attend. Nothing more at present.

f) Transport, Traffic & Civil Engineering: Mr

Biddlecombe reported that he has asked a local resident, Mr S Burgess, who has helped in the past with the Emergency Plan to go through it and make sure it is up to date and complies with the new General Data Protection Regulations. He also mentioned that HCC has been trying to obtain confirmation from the Pitter Close residents association that HCC can plan on joining their proposed pipe into theirs, as yet without success. Mr Cunningham agreed that he and Mrs Burgess would try to progress this matter. Cllr Learney then mentioned that there is to be a workshop organised by HCC to discuss the feedback received on the recent Winchester movement study. Mr Warren and Mr Fountain mentioned that there are quite a number of pavement and other problems in Harestock which they have reported to HCC, but they suggested that all councillors might like to take the opportunity over the next month to make a list of what pavement and any other highway problems they have reported to HCC to be able to make everyone aware, as there are many problems that need rectifying.

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g) Pond/island opposite: The pond is to be drained shortly by HCC Highways to remove all the sludge in it.

17- **Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month's agenda**
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17- **Date of Next Meeting**
167 Monday 12 March 2018 in the Henry Beaufort School, Harestock at 7.00pm.