

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 9th JANUARY 2024.

PRESENT

Cllr. Nankivell (PN) – Chairman  
Cllr. Cllr. Parker (AP), Edward Hutton (EH) and Nicola McIntyre (NM)  
Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith - WCC  
Helen Clarke – Wildlife Trust  
Amanda Skinner  
K. Fell – Clerk

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were apologies from Cllr. Mark Allen, Cllr. Rob Humby (HCC, Cllr. Margot Power (WCC) and Cllr. Fiona Isaacs (WCC)

3. MINUTES OF MEETING 12th DECEMBER 2023.

The Minutes were corrected at item 10 and agreed, and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

Cllr. Hutton mentioned the trees at the telephone box. On the map the land was coloured grey which suggested it was not private land but highways.

Cllr. MacIntyre stated that there was no ditch on Bighton Lane marked on the map. The Chairman had viewed and there was no evidence of a ditch.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Nil.

6. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR - ROB HUMBY.

Cllr. Humby had sent a report which had been passed on to Members.

7. WINCHESTER CITY COUNCILLOR'S – MARGOT POWER, RUSSELL GORDON-SMITH & FIONA ISAACS.

Cllr. Power/Russell Gordon-Smith and Cllr. Isaacs had sent reports which had been passed on to Members.

Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith mentioned the preferred route for the Sun Lane development. He also stated that residents do not want large industrial buildings.

A resident Amanda Skinner thought that there would be large buildings and Cllr. Gordon-Smith compared the size of the buildings with the ones at the industrial estate in Alresford.

Cllr. Parker thought that most drivers would use the A31 bypass and new roundabout to access and exit the site.

Cllr. Gordon-Smith said that the development would provide employment.

The Chairman reminded Members that Cllr. Power had been asked at the last meeting re regular road sweeps to reduce flooding. Cllr. Gordon-Smith will speak to Cllr. Power. The flooding at The Cedars was because the drain was higher than the flooded area.

#### 8. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING – Cllr. PARKER

Nil.

#### 9. COMMUNITY MATTERS/FACEBOOK – Cllr.McIntyre.

Helen Clarke issued an update on the programme and asked if the funds that the PC was holding could be paid to the group. This was agreed.

Helen will attend coffee mornings plus give updates to Cllr.McIntyre. Helen will speak to Mel re the phone box. The Clerk will provide a key for the notice board.

The Clerk mentioned the Heartstart training and Members asked the Clerk to plan a suitable date.

#### 10. HIGHWAY MATTERS – Cllr. HUTTON.

Cllr. Hutton said that there had been a small tree blocking the footpath near the layby, but this had been moved before he could report it.

School Lane was mentioned because in the Spring a notice had been erected to state that the road would be resurfaced, but this had never happened, and the sign had been removed. Cllr. Gordon-Smith to investigate.

A letter had been received from Brian Waltho regarding the ditches overflowing and possible ice forming on the road. Cllr. Hutton had called Brian to inform him of the PC meeting with Hampshire Highways.

There was a ditch blocked at the front of the Village Hall and it was reported that there were 2 culverts under the car park, and one was blocked. Under the railway bridge was also getting worse. There had been a diesel spillage up the road, but this had been washed away. There was a possible flood at Mill House – Cllr. MacIntyre had spoken to Sophie.

#### 11. LENGTHSMAN/SID/SIGN DE-CLUTTERING – Cllr. NANKIVELL.

Nothing further.

#### 12. INDUSTRIAL PLANNING & SUN LANE DEVELOPMENT – Cllr. PARKER.

AP said that the application was still with highways. The plans were now more detailed, and it was hoped that the problems would soon be resolved.

#### 13. FOOTPATHS – Cllr. HUTTON.

Cllr. Hutton had nothing to report. At Bighton Farm there were 2 stiles and one removed.

#### 14. WEBSITE/SID – Cllr. ALLEN.

Cllr. Allen stated that there were additions to the website regarding the Chalk Stream Project.

#### 15 CORRESPONDENCE – CLERK.

##### SENT

Email to Helen Clarke/NM – funds in PC bank.

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Reports from Cllr. Rob Humby, HCC

Reports from Cllr. Fiona Isaacs, Cllr. Margot Power and Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith.

WCC Mayor of Winchester's Community Award 2024, Appeal for Election Staff, Council News, Funding for Home Insulation.

HCC Admissions to School September 2024, Residents views on proposals for future services, Household Support Fund Community Grants, Minerals & Waste Plan.

CPRE Hampshire Appeal.

Clerks & Councils Direct Jan.'24

Barry Edge – reply re planning comment.

## 16. FINANCE – CLERK.

The Clerk gave the Chairman an update on the financial position and reminded Members that the Budget would be discussed at the January meeting and the Precept agreed.

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Chalk Stream Project (part payment)	£3,366.00
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TO PAY

Cartridges	£38.54
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Adobe software sub.	£21.14
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Clerk's exps.	£92.20
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Donation St. Nicholas Church	£75.00
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Stream Project – Paid to group Attention2Place	£3,366.00
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A copy of the Monthly bank position showing Income and Expenditure was given to the Chairman. Agreed by the Parish Council.

## 17. BUDGET.

The Clerk had prepared a Draft Budget with the same Precept as the previous year £7,750.00. An increase was applied to the insurance and funds were allowed for the Alresford footpath. With the WCC Tax Base this year £210.21 the charge for a Band D property would be £36.87.

The 2024/25 Budget and Precept was agreed and submitted to Winchester City Council.

## 18. OTHER MEETINGS.

Nil

## 19. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.

Nil.

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 13th FEBRUARY 2024 IN THE VILLAGE HALL at 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 8.50 p.m.

26<sup>th</sup> January 2024