# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY26th JULY 2016

#### **PRESENT**

Chairman Cllr. Miller (AM)
Cllrs. Nankivell (PN), Tait (PT), Budd (RB) and Rutherford (PR)
Cllr. Ernie Jeffs – Winchester City Council
Cllr. Roger Huxstep – Hampshire County Council
Mr K. Fell (KF) – Clerk

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were apologies for absence from City Councillors Cllr. Gottlieb, and Cllr. Lisa Griffiths.

## 2. AGREE MINUTES OF MEETING 10th JUNE 2016.

The Minutes were agreed by Members and signed by the Chairman.

## 3. MATTERS ARISING.

The Clerk had chased the grit bin at Hobbs Close and was informed that it would be put in place before the bad weather. Clerk to contact HCC at the end of September.

# 4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Nil.

# 5. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - CLLR. R. HUXSTEP.

Cllr. Huxstep arrived after the meeting had closed as he had attended a long meeting at Cheriton.

# 6. WINCHESTER CITY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - CLLR. ERNIE JEFFS.

### **ALRESFORD TIP TO REMAIN OPEN!**

Following a successful campaign by all Parties (as we know, politics are largely irrelevant in the Alresfords, it's a matter of getting the job done), HCC have announced that the Alresford tip will remain. The hours will be reduced, and suggested opening hours are expected to be slightly later than current, but the tip will remain open until 4pm in the winter and 6pm in the summer. Finer details of timings are yet to be announced but thanks to the great effort of the public, your voices were heard and HCC listened.

## **DEVOLUTION**

The Devolution debate continues; various offers from Hampshire have been put to the Secretary of State which have either been rejected or abandoned. This has been mainly due to offers leading to fragmentation of the Hampshire local authority and refusal to accept being led by an elected Mayor. Devolution will happen, it is important as it will affect all of us. Hampshire County Council commissioned a study by independent consultants who have produced options which will be shared with the public sometime this Autumn. The most favoured option is to disband the HCC and WCC and combine their functions into one authority. A Unitary Authority named the Hampshire Council. This will make savings which will potentially reduce council tax and provide a more efficient service. The relationship and responsibilities of Town and Parish councils has yet to be declared.

# **HCC ROAD POLICY**

Cllr Rob Humby recently announced HCCs continuing policy of not making changes to road layouts or speed limits unless it is in a known fatal accident area. However, he did add that HCC would be willing to look at changes funded by Parish/Town Councils. This is something to be explored further in respect of areas where there are known speeding problems or pedestrian safety concerns, and what measures it might be possible to introduce.

#### **BOOMTOWN 2016**

Both WCC and South Downs National Park (SDNP) have approved Boomtowns' application for an increase of attendees to 59,999, effective for this years' festival. This number includes 11,600 working at the event, including 700 on security.

#### **MAJOR PROJECTS FOR WCC**

The Council will be concentrating on three major projects, Silver Hill, Station Approach and the new Leisure Centre to be located at Bar End. Silver Hill is currently undergoing a review, further news on its progress is likely to be known early spring 2017. The Council have decided to take a fresh look at the Station Approach project to strengthen the scheme and to provide a development that is right for Winchester. There is no doubt that the Station Approach development is necessary to enhance the local economy. The Council have decided to locate a leisure facility at Bar End for the Winchester District and beyond. The Council will be consulting with residents during the Autumn to determine the facility requirements. A 50m swimming pool seems to be favourite.

# **COMMUNITY FIRST GRANTS**

This is an organisation which works in conjunction with WCC to provide information for voluntary and community organisations with advice and information about their fundraising needs. They are able to guide groups and support to obtain grants that are currently available. If you need help to identify suitable trusts or support to write a strong bid, please contact:

mandy.harris@cfheh.org.uk anstey.brierley@cfheh.org.uk telephone
0300 500 8085. Their website is:

www.cfheh.org.uk/services/winchester/.

Community First plan to hold an open session in Alresford in the near future, but should groups need support before a visit is scheduled, then make contact via the above mentioned way.

#### 'REAL CHANGE' - CAMPAIGN FOR THE HOMELESS

Winchester's diverted giving scheme 'Spare Change for Real Change' was relaunched on 10 June. The campaign aims to encourage Winchester residents and visitors to give their spare change to two dedicated local charities, Winchester Churches Nightshelter and Trinity Winchester, instead of handing money to street-beggars. Winchester Churches Nightshelter and Trinity Winchester offer support for people to get back into long-term accommodation and help rebuild their lives. All the donations through the campaign are used to improve the charities' services for those sleeping rough.

Look out for the red house-shaped donation boxes at shops and businesses in Winchester. A list of participating businesses may be found at <a href="http://winchesterbid.co.uk/enhancing/spare-change-real-change/">http://winchesterbid.co.uk/enhancing/spare-change-real-change/</a>. People may also donate by texting REAL17 £2/£5/£10 to 70070.

The aim is to stop this cycle of begging and urge those who want to help to give their donations to local charities working directly with the homeless to turn their lives around. This scheme offers Winchester residents and visitors the chance to support homeless people with the confidence that their donation will be used directly to improve services for those sleeping rough.

#### **CAR PARK CONSULTATION**

A further consultation with WCC is due to commence (date to be confirmed, so do check the WCC website) and will run for 6 weeks. Please make sure you respond. Copies can be obtained from WCC by telephoning 01962 840222 or online at www.winchester.gov.uk

If you need assistance from your City Councillors, who were elected to represent those living in the Alresford and Itchen Valley ward, please contact any of the following:

Cllr Kim Gottlieb: kgottlieb@winchester.gov.uk Tel: 07795

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Cllr Lisa Griffiths: lgriffiths@winchester.gov.uk Tel: 01962

738646 or 07545 375632

Cllr Ernie Jeffs: ejeffs@winchester.gov.uk Tel: 01962

734629 or 07887 536966 The Chairman thanked Cllr. Jeffs.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE.

**SENT** 

Contacted HCC regarding grit bin once again.

Letter to Neville Crisp once more.

**RECEIVED** 

Came & Co. Insurers Change of Trading Style

WCC Parish Connect July, Parking Strategy Review

HALC Fullers Village of the Year 2016

Natwest – Update of Terms

Clerk & Councils Direct July

Countryside Access Small Grants

Police Crime Map

Reply from Neville Crisp.

## 8. Finance.

The Clerk produced a financial statement and the accounts had been passed to the Internal Auditor. The Risk Assessment had also been updated.

RECEIVED

Nil

TO PAY

Clerk's Exps. £96.30

Proposed AM Seconded PR

# 9. WEBSITE.

Clerk awaiting reply from Mark. Follow up.

KF

# 10. INDUSTRIAL PLANNING AND LENGTHSMEN.

The Chairman said that there was no Industrial Planning.

The Lengthsmen will be back at the beginning of August. There was a discussion re notices on electricity poles, the Chairman pointed out that they were not allowed.

# 11. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING.

16/00910/FUL 2 Mount Villas, Bishop's Sutton Road. Mr Chris Pendlebury. New porch to front of property.

PC No comment.

WCC Permitted.

# 12. SLR.

AM gave details of the 17<sup>th</sup> July readings, 19556. Andy Smith HCC Hwgs had given the Chairman the details re the speed checks in the period 6<sup>th</sup>

to 13<sup>th</sup> July. The results were lower than the last time this was carried out therefore the speeds were not as high as perceived. However PT pointed out that some vehicles were obviously going much faster than these averages, and this included commercial vehicles - buses and farm vehicles. The Chairman had replied to Andy Smith.

## 13. HIGHWAYS.

The Chairman raised the parking on the layby once again. The recent number of vehicles parked were four buses and one minibus. Clerk to write to HCC as Neville Crisp suggested.

# 14. FOOTPATHS & ROW.

PN asked for the relevant maps, Clerk gave PN maps. PR informed PN of one problem path.

## 15. WDALC.

Nil.

## 16. NEW ALRESFORD DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

AM had attended the Inspector's meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> July, there was no mention of the number of cars, a link to the A31 could be possible and the Inspector was due to retire after this application therefore it looked like the application would proceed.

# 17. OTHER MEETINGS.

Nil.

# 18. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.

Nil.

# 19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2016.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.