



*CHARLTON PARISH COUNCIL*  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY  
2022**

Present: Cllr J Smith (Chairman), Cllr C Ward (Vice Chairman) Cllr I Smale, Cllr B Hodgson,  
& Cllr P Wylde

In attendance: Mrs H Bourner – Clerk  
2 Members of public

**1) Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Rogers & TVBC Mrs Linda Lashbrook

**2) Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3) Minutes**

Cllrs to approve the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022 as a correct record of proceedings.

**Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman. Proposed Cllr Ward, seconded Cllr Smale. All agreed.

**4) Public participation**

The members of public present noted the railings across the stream near the entrance to Charlie's Lake have now been installed and agreed the area now looks much better. They plan to source new shrubs for planting next month. They handed an amended signed agreement between the Parish Council and residents including the new residents of the lane.

**5) Clerk's Report**

**The Clerk reported on several items as follows: -**

**Lengthsman**

The lengthsman has removed the graffiti from the village signs.

**Beacon**

Half the cost of the Jubilee Beacon has been paid to Hurstbourne Forge to build the beacon basket.

Details of this business ?? have been shared with HCC Chris Donnelly

**Jubilee Celebrations**

The cost of £1050.00 for hiring the stage as discussed at the previous meeting has been paid.

**Land Registry**

A land registry search was made in respect of land that had been included in the latest SHEELA sites report. One parcel of land is registered to HCC. They have said this is not available for the PC to use for a climate change initiative. The Clerk confirmed she has asked them what it is earmarked for and awaits a reply.

**Bollards**

The damaged bollards near the Royal Oak have been reported to HCC

**Clerk Training**

The Clerk confirmed she will be attending a HALC Clerks update training course on 17<sup>th</sup> February.

**6) HCC & TVBC Report-**

HCC Cllr Chris Donnelly was not present but had sent a report, full details of which are at appendix 1

TVBC Cllr Lashbrook was not present but confirmed the new Borough Council Local Plan is now out for consultation. Funding has been granted for new floodlights at the BMX track however no planning application has been submitted at present.

PCSO Conor Hill was not present but had recently sent a newsletter.

#### **7) Finance -**

The bank balance at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 was as follows:

Lloyds current £14609.79

Savings £35541.19

Cllrs to consider and approve the financial statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

**RESOLVED:** It was resolved to approve the financial statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 as a correct record of accounts. Proposed Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Ward. All agreed.

#### **Cllrs to approve payments to be made**

H Bourner Salary £499.89

H Bourner expenses £18.20

Barry Notley £480.00

Phil Wylde £5.00

#### **Retrospective**

Hurstbourne Forge £2260.00

Bandshop £1050.00

Elan City £300.88

#### **8) Climate Change**

Cllr Ward reported the resident who had been instrumental in starting this campaign had decided to step down. The Parish Council had already paid the subscription to the campaign and at the last meeting agreement was reached to move to the next stage and purchase cards to inform parishioners.

After some discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would proceed on a smaller scale and start by purchasing only 250 cards. Cllr Ward will attend the next training course to establish how to proceed.

#### **9) Stream bank repairs-land opposite Carters Meadow**

Cllr Ward reported he had agreement from a local expert to support the project to re build the stream banks with a community work party. He also reported on quotes for the materials to repair the banks. A local company is able to provide the filled bags required and are able to work with the Parish Council however work cannot take place until water levels drop.

Cllr Wylde will fit further no parking sign at the triangle of green space plus one to replace a sign which appears to have been stolen.

Cllr Hodgson reported that the lengthsman had completed his work on the new barriers. Cllr Wylde & Cllr Hodgson have stained the wood and will add one more upright post, some further knee rails and caps to complete the barriers. There is also one gap which needs to be filled with a shrub. Cllr Wylde said he had a laurel bush he would plant here.

#### **10) Recycling unit at bus shelter**

Cllr Smale reported the unit placed in the bus shelter for parishioners to deposit various items for recycling had been vandalised. Although the service had been well used it was agreed replacing this unit was likely to result in the same situation occurring again. After some discussion the Clerk was asked to approach TVBC for permission to site a robust external unit near all the other recycling units.

#### **11) Queens Jubilee & Community Day Celebrations**

Cllr Smith reported progress on the Jubilee celebrations, the beacon lighting has been booked as has the stage, three music acts and a burger van. It is hoped there will also be any ice cream van and a crepe van. There will also be a bar which has been organised.

Cllr Ward confirmed he had applied for grants from HCC and TVBC to help with the costs of the Jubilee celebrations.

Cllr Smith suggested the Parish Council purchase some card readers for sales of goods at both the beacon lighting event and the community day. She provided details of some machines she had reviewed, some had to be connected to a mobile phone but some operate via 4G. After some discussion Cllr Smith proposed the Parish Council purchase four machines at a cost of £99.00 per machine, this was seconded by Cllr Smale. All agreed.

Cllr Ward confirmed after the event it was hoped to site the beacon on the green area by the stone bench and use it as a planter. TVBC are being consulted about where this can be sited and if planning permission is required.

Finally, Cllr Smith confirmed the events committee are meeting to discuss the **Beacon Lighting & Music in the Park** and the Community Day soon and **an update** will be provided at the next Parish Council meeting.

## **12) Planning**

The following decisions by TVBC were noted –

21/03069/FULLN- removal of external covered structure and form new- Royal Oak- withdrawn

The following applications received-

22/00221/FULLN-Single storey extension to provide disabled toilet-Royal Oak- no objections

22/00213/FULLN-side & rear ground floor extension 19 Richborough Drive - no objections

22/00276/FULLN-replace conservatory with single storey extension and convert garage-21 Richborough Drive- no objections

Note- The appeal against application 21/02092/FULLN refusal to allow installation of disabled access in Armstrong Rise has been dismissed. Cllr Ward will review the climate change action plans for both the village and TVBC and review how the installation of electric points in areas not adjacent to private homes is to be tackled.

## **17) Councillors to provide a report on their areas of responsibility**

### **Traffic Liaison/Speed awareness cameras**

Cllr Ward confirmed he has ordered a spare charger and two more batteries so a second person can hold these and assist with the changing of batteries.

**Lengthsman scheme-** Cllr Hodgson said he will be providing details of a planned process for maintaining the footpaths for the forthcoming season for consideration at the next meeting, along with details of potential contractors to be approached so the contract costs can be tested.

**Community Hall Feasibility-** Cllr Ward reported, the Deputy Chief Executive of TVBC has met with representatives of the Salto Centre to discuss potential barriers to building a community hall at the Salto Site. The conditions attached to the Salto offer were under review and negotiations continue.

**Environment & Rights of Way**– Cllr Wylde had nothing to report

**Community Emergency Plan** – Cllr Ward had nothing to report.

**Charlton Lakes-** Cllr Ward reported the TVBC public consultation over future of Charlton Lakes has been delayed although is expected shortly.

**Carters Meadow-** Cllr Smale confirmed he had still to receive a response from Anchor Homes to his email regarding the installation of signs at the entrance to Carters Meadow.

A meeting to discuss the current agreement regarding the railings will be arranged shortly.

## **18) Correspondence-**

Items of correspondence noted were: -

PCSO newsletter

HALC newsletter

Details regarding motions from HALC regarding 20mph zones.

TVBC consultation on the next Local Plan

Invitation to Andover rebranding session- Cllr Smith to attend.

**19) Items proposed for future agendas were: -  
Hedging at Peake Way  
Review of neighbourhood Plan (April 2022)  
Annual Parish Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> May along with AGM**

## **20) Any Other Business**

**Close of Meeting** –The meeting closed at 09.45 pm.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 7.45pm, in the main church hall.**

## **Appendix 1**

### **Report from HCC Chris Donnelly**

County Council Updates

#### Support for Community Transport

With the COVID-19 pandemic still having an impact on levels of all public and community transport use across the county, Hampshire County Council has agreed to maintain contract payments for community transport operators at 100% from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023. Community transport operators have reported that around 35% fewer passengers are travelling than before the pandemic. The move will assist those operators in the recovery and operation of their services, supporting them to maintain service levels whilst they experience lower than usual passenger numbers, and user confidence rebuilds during the coming financial year.

#### County councillor grants

A reminder that applications for county councillor grants for this financial year need to be submitted by 28 February. The 2022/23 county councillor grant window will open on 1 June.

#### Roads, Transport and Environmental investment

Hampshire County Council is to be asked to approve on 17 February an increased 2021-22 capital programme of investment in countywide highways maintenance, road safety, transport improvements, flood alleviation, waste management, and bridge strengthening, as well as economic development and town centre improvements, amounting to £112,885,000. This includes £7 million additional financial support for highways maintenance. Planning continues for the next generation of waste infrastructure to support the county's ability to recycle a wider range of materials. As part of the capital programme of work is the continued development of a plan for a new materials recovery facility in Eastleigh. The proposed programme and appendices highlight an Integrated Transport Programme of over £100 million in value. Local schemes to enable people to walk and cycle more for local journeys represent a £11.3 million investment. Separately, Hampshire County Council is the first council in England to trial plastic bollards made from sugar cane on its pavements; these are being installed as a lower carbon alternative to the traditional concrete ones. The plant-based bollards are also lighter, easier to install and cheaper - costing £150 compared with £190 for concrete. They are also just as resilient in the event of a crash and do not splinter if they are hit by a vehicle. The proposal is part of the county's plans to meet its climate change targets to be Carbon Neutral by 2050 and resilient to a two-degrees rise in temperature. In recognition of the importance of building resilience, the council has declared 2022 the "Year of Climate Resilience". This presents an opportunity for it to increase awareness of the importance of resilience and to develop some showcase projects in partnership with key stakeholders. More information can be found on the Council's Climate Change website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange>

#### Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Hampshire County Council is putting plans in place to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year. These will provide opportunities for residents across the county to participate, including through schools, libraries, care homes, and outdoor sites. The primary focus is during the extended bank holiday weekend of Thursday 2 to Sunday 5 June 2022. The plan also has a significant focus on complementing The Queen's Green Canopy theme, with £0.5 million to be made available to help organisations and communities plant trees across the county.

#### Local Updates for Andover West

Thrupton

The junction at Thrupton Airfield will be completed by spring. The work will then move on to

rebuilding the Aerodrome Road junction. I have made strong representations that this needs to be done as soon as possible due to the annual motorcycle rally. I have also met with Parish Chairman Mr Peter Christie and our engineers to discuss the next steps in creating a footpath and layby in Thruxton.

Andover

The railings on Tollgate Road at the alleyway from Harrow Way School have now been replaced after I got onto Highways about it. HCC Highways Director Steve Jarvis has said that it will be a difficult ask to get extra laybys in King Arthur's Way to improve parking due to restricted budgets, but I will be meeting the residents panel there about it shortly to discuss further.

Kimpton

I have approved almost £1,500 to be spent from our Councillor Grant budget to pay for the training and equipping of a countryside brushcutter in Kimpton to address some of the issues which they have experienced in the parish around blocked pathways, particularly at Cow Lane. This should help to provide a long term solution to at least some of the problems.

Charlton

I'm delighted that TVBC Cabinet has approved funding to create a fully illuminated BMX track at Charlton, one of the only such facilities outside of London or Birmingham

DRAFT