



ITCHEN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

(Serving the villages of: Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy)

Draft Minutes of Full Council Meeting on Thursday January 3rd, 2019 at Easton Village Hall

Attending: Cllrs Appleby (Chair), Andrews, Langford, Legat, Riley,

In Attendance: Cllrs Griffiths (WCC), Power (WCC), Porter (HCC), Alan Weaver (Clerk).

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18.119	Apologies: Cllr Ward; Lyn Russel – Easton Village Hall, Trevor Foreman Martyr Worthy & Easton Cricket Club, Verity Coleman (WIVV)	
18.120	Minutes of Meeting of 6th December 2018 and Matters Arising Minutes were amended (18111c – 3 rd line ...'by <u>approximately</u> 4% to £32,566') and approved. Chairman Cllr Appleby signed the minutes. <u>Matters Arising</u> Clerk Mr Weaver confirmed that he had signed the precept form and sent it to WCC on 1 st January 2019.	
18.121	Public Participation & Declarations of Interest on Agenda. There were no members of the public present. There were no declarations of interest.	
18.122	Cooption of New Councillor Chairman Cllr Appleby confirmed that prospective new councillor had changed her mind about joining the Parish Council. Members agreed that the matter needed to be postponed until after the Parish Council Election arrangements had been finalised. Members discussed the arrangements and the WCC Clerk's Training Day arranged for 24 th January 2019 (11.00 am to 12.30 pm). Action Clerk Mr Weaver to highlight training event to new Clerk Michelle Leadbetter-Allen.	AW/MLA
18.123	City and County Council Reports. <u>WCC</u> Cllr Power highlighted concerns about level of fly-tip reporting on private land. There was a discussion about 3 recent incidents and the views of the land owners. Cllr Langford stated the WCC approach was very good although it was constrained by resource implications. Cllr Power (WCC) stated she would also consult other parishes about this matter. Cllr Griffiths referred to her report circulated immediately prior to the meeting (see appendix 1). Members discussed Winchester Movement Strategy Consultation proposals and noted that any responses needed to be submitted by 13 th January. Action Cllr Langford to make a response on behalf of the Parish Council.	CL
	<u>HCC</u> Cllr Porter referred to her report circulated at the meeting (see appendix 2) and highlighted specific issues. <u>Extension of Apetito Contract</u> – Cllr Porter sought feedback on IVPC views that could be fed into the discussions. Members discussed relevant issues: vehicle speed, parking, provision of local employment and the proposed path to Itchen School running adjacent to the site. Action Cllr Langford to have separate discussions with Cllr Porter.	CL/JP
	<u>Other Issues</u> <i>Grit Bin at Martyr Worthy</i> – Cllr Riley asked that this be regularly filled. Cllr Porter agreed to follow this up with HCC Highways. <i>Chillandham Lane Railings</i> – Cllr Appleby thanked Cllr Porter for her efforts	

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	<p>in securing the reinstatement of the railings. They had not been installed well but were safer.</p> <p>Cllrs Griffiths and Power left the meeting (7.35pm).</p>	
18.124	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>a) <u>Accounts to be Paid</u></p> <p>Clerk Mr. Weaver circulated details of bills and invoices received in December (<i>see appendix 3</i>). Cllrs Andrews and Langford signed accounts sheet to authorize payments. Monthly Bank Reconciliation to be attached (<i>see appendix 4</i>).</p> <p>b) <u>Draft Minutes of F&GP Committee Meeting – Tue 18th Dec 2018</u></p> <p>Cllr Riley stated that WCC had verified the Band D increase. Members noted the draft minutes.</p>	
18.125	<p>Boomtown Community Grant Recipient Feedback</p> <p><u>Avington Trust</u></p> <p>Cllr Langford referred to the report which had been circulated with the agenda. The grant had accounted for 50% training costs of 15 people and had been well received.</p> <p><u>Martyr Worthy & Easton Cricket Club</u></p> <p>Cllr Riley referred to the report back circulated with the agenda. Work was in progress but had been delayed due to some planning issues.</p> <p><u>IAA Village Hall Defibrillator</u></p> <p>Cllr Langford referred to the report back circulated with the agenda. The new IAA Village Hall Defibrillator was sited in the centre of the village outside the village hall.</p> <p><u>Establishment of Friends of Old School Field Trust</u> – Cllr Riley stated that this project had been replaced by a new project to the provision of a new picnic bench at Old School Field, Easton at Full Council Meeting on 4th October.</p> <p><u>Watercress Way</u></p> <p>Cllr Porter (HCC) circulated a report on the use of Boomtown Community Grant for the provision of 3 benches on Watercress Way (<i>see appendix 5</i>). Cllr Porter (HCC) stated that the benches had been very well received by walkers who use the route. The project had stimulated the development of similar initiatives in other parishes. There was also discussion about an associated project – the installation of information boards.</p> <p><u>Wild Itchen Valley Verges</u></p> <p>Cllr Riley stated that a report back on this project had been circulated with the agenda.</p>	<p>JL</p>
18.126	<p>Planning</p> <p>(a) <u>Planning Applications including any Planning Applications received after date of issue.</u></p> <p>(i) <u>Re-define the position of the residential boundary by extending to the South East corner of the plot.</u></p> <p>Woodside Avington Road Avington SO21 1DD SDNP/18/06241/HOUS Deadline 11th January 2019</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p><i>This application is to move a garden boundary to be able to build a swimming pool as permitted development work. However, there is more than 10m2 of development outside the 20m line parallel to the existing dwelling and this fails the National Park's criteria for permitted development, even more so if the pool service equipment area is taken into account. A planning application should be submitted to include the swimming pool shown on the application plans to include hard landscaping, screening, pool furniture and plant.</i></p> <p><i>This Parish Council do not object to the moving of the boundary or the</i></p>	

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principle of a new swimming pool but: -

1. *the application is within a Site of Special Scientific Interest etc. protection zone and may discharge chemically (chlorine) laden water into groundwater affecting the River Itchen European Special Area of Conservation. Natural England and the Environment Agency must be consulted.*
2. *any lighting should comply with the SDNP Dark Skies policies.*

(ii) Rear kitchen and bedroom extension replacing part extended rear element (amendment to approved application SDNP/17/05001/HOUS) Maple House Fair Lane Winchester Hampshire SO21 1HF SDNP/18/06379/HOUS Deadline 17th January 2019

Decision

No comment.

(iii) Variation of Condition 3 on planning consent SDNP/16/00692/CND Matterley Farm, Alresford Road Ovington Hampshire SO24 0H SDNP/16/00692/CND

Decision

Since our previous submission we have received advice from the British Trust for Ornithology that the interpretation placed by Ecosa on one of their BTO reports is not definitive and that it is a "guess" as to whether to disturb a skylark breeding site immediately before they start nesting will interfere with their breeding. The exact British Trust for Ornithology comments to us were: -

'The dates provided should not be taken as precise - they are averages from studies that are not necessarily representative of all skylarks in Britain, and dates will vary with weather, region, habitat, altitude, etc. However, it is arguable whether the dates of nesting per se are relevant here anyway. In practice, these birds are likely to be on territory and preparing to breed from March onwards and may not finish until late July or early August. In principle, therefore, they are vulnerable to disturbance throughout this time. Early in the season, disturbance could persuade them to move somewhere else to set up territory, dependent upon there being alternative habitats available. Then, breeding success in the alternative habitat could be lower (assuming that the original habitat was selected because it was best and that the birds got the decision right), or zero if no other habitat is available. (Note that these possibilities are hypothetical and almost impossible to prove.) However, acute disturbance events might actually just displace the birds temporarily and, if the habitat is good, it is very likely that they will come back again. If I had to guess, this is what I would expect would happen from a two-day motocross event in March (assuming no relevant habitat degradation), but I don't know for sure.

Disturbance later in the season, i.e. while bird have eggs or young, dependent chicks, could well facilitate nest or chick mortality through chilling, starvation or attraction of predators. Again, however, the birds are probably quite resilient to this as they regularly have multiple broods per season and can lay replacement clutches quite easily, so single, acute disturbance events are probably compensated for quite effectively.

At all times, however, chronic disturbance levels are likely to make habitat unsuitable - so everything depends on how protracted the disturbance is. At a larger scale, the critical issue is the importance of the skylarks in an

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	<p><i>area affected like this for local and national populations. For any specific location, national-scale effects are obviously trivial, but such things can be the thin end of a wedge of larger changes. At a local scale, effects can be more severe, with their significance dependent upon local priorities.</i></p> <p><u><i>This Council supports SDNP Core Policy SDI: Sustainable Development, specifically here the protection of skylarks, as a salient wildlife asset of the Parish and opposes any development which will interfere with this.</i></u></p>	
	<p>Action – Clerk to submit above italicised responses to Planning Portal.</p>	AW
	<p>(b) <u>To Note the Draft Minutes of Planning Committee Tue 13th Nov.</u> Members noted the minutes.</p>	
18.127	<p>Litterpick There was a discussion about the large amount of litter strewn around A33, junction 9 and Spitfire Link. Members discussed arrangements for Litterpick. Decision Event to take place on Saturday 23rd March at 10.00/11.00 at agreed meeting points: Avington, Chillandham Lane, Itchen Abbas Village Hall. WI to be contacted. Action Cllr Appleby to publicise in Itchen Valley News.</p>	PA
18.128	<p>Parish Council Reports (a) <u>Footpath Matters</u> <u>Footpath 30</u> - Cllr Legat suggested use of woodchips rather than scalplings for maintenance of footpath 30. There was a discussion about HCC Countryside Service advice, available woodchip materials, and transport using Cllr Moffatt's trailer. Action – Cllr Appleby to discuss with Cllr Jeffes.</p>	PA
	<p><u>Access beside Longfield House</u> – Members discussed security issues i.e. lockable gate and fencing. Action – Cllr Riley to purchase lock.</p>	YR
	<p>Cllr Porter (HCC) agreed to provide provision of fencing.</p>	
	<p>(b) <u>Highway Matters</u> There was a discussion about current issues – road surfaces at Easton, magic white lines at Itchen Abbas.</p>	
	<p>(c) <u>Village Halls</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
	<p>(d) <u>Website</u> Cllr Legat highlighted his intention to produce a photo gallery for the IVPC website and requested members to provide any pertinent photos.</p>	
	<p>(e) <u>Open Spaces</u> Cllr Riley indicated that there was nothing to report. There was a discussion on provision of demarcation tape at Couch Green. Old School Field project embracing new gates, Old Play Area, and Ransom Strip. Action – Cllrs Andrews, Appleby and Riley to liaise.</p>	SA/PA/YR
18.129	<p>Correspondence Clerk Mr Weaver circulated correspondence list (see appendix 6).</p>	
18.130	<p>Exclusion of Press & Public There was nothing to report.</p>	
18.131	<p>Other Items for Consideration</p>	

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	<p><u>Walnut Tree</u> Cllr Langford requested Cllr Porter's help with the Itchen Abbas walnut tree specification. Cllr Porter confirmed she would consult HCC Arboculturalist.</p>	
	<p><u>AGM</u> There was a preliminary discussion about a suitable topic for AGM – Wild Life on the River Itchen.</p>	
	<p><u>SDNP Planning Meeting</u> Cllr Langford reported back on a recent SD Planning meeting. There was a discussion about potential SDNP CiL projects, viz: - flattening Couch Green playing fields, children's parks, social housing. Cllr Porter suggested a range of potential areas suitable for such work – upgrading conservation plans, river facing projects, recreational open space, developing local walks.</p>	
18.132	<p>Decision – SDNP CiL projects to be next at next FGP committee. Date of Next Meeting(s) Next scheduled meeting is Thursday February 7th at 7.00 pm at Martyr Worthy Village Hall. Chair closed the meeting at 8.45. pm.</p>	ALL

£10,000 and £200,000 of funding for suitable schemes. Project must meet at least one of a range of criteria and the more criteria a project meets, the higher the chance it will successfully secure funding. Link here : <http://www.winchester.gov.uk/planning/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/apply-for-cil>. CIL bids will be evaluated in April, by an informal panel who will decide which schemes to recommend to Cabinet for a final decision.

Grants for £000s at WINnovation funding event

Up to £4,000 could be available to groups and charities in the District if they can convince a Dragon's Den-style to invest in their projects. This is a one-off funding event on **5 February 2019** and grant decisions and awards will be made on the evening. The council has a pool of grant funding reserved for community activities or projects that specifically benefit local residents. Innovative projects that are delivered in an entrepreneurial way, are engaging, or enhance the organisation's strategic development, are more likely to succeed. **Applications to pitch should be submitted online by noon 15 January**

Winchester Movement Strategy moves to next stage

The second phase of consultation to improve traffic and transport in and around Winchester, and inform future funding bids, closes on **13 January 2019**. Make sure you have your say, as Alresford & Itchen Valley residents will be impacted. Full details and the online survey available at: www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/haveyoursay/consultations/winchestermovementstrategy.

Citizens Advice Bureau

During January 2019, the Winchester branch of the CAB will move into WCC's premises on Colebrook Street. The Alresford branch will continue to work from the GPs surgery – times and how to contact on their website.

Cash kiosks to open at WCC Colebrook Street offices

WCC will introduce two self-service cash kiosk, available 08.30-17.00, as part of the refurbishment of its customer service centre, which will re-open early in the new year. The machines will replace the existing cash office allowing customers to carry out a range of transactions quickly and easily, reducing queue times and improving customer experience. Customer support will be provided during the transition to help customers use the machines.

Appendix 2
County Councillor 's Report for January 2019

County Councillor Report to IV Parish Council: January 2019

A rather quiet month since my last report!

Apetito has been granted an extension to their contract. If you'd like me to add any further comments, please let me know.

Footpaths and Rights of Way- I reported the Rectory Lane steps after a serious fall- (at a meeting designed to show the steps!) - they have now been repaired.

An additional £8.1m grant from Government will be spent on Children's Social Care this year-as the number of children looked after is rising steadily.

I attended the SDNP Local plan on the first and final days. It will be interesting to see the Inspector's Report this Spring.

The CCTV is installed at the Cart and Horses but wasn't working just before Christmas. I have asked to view some sample CCTV footage this month.

Tree cutting was carried out, but hedges belonging to farmers still remain. I have had complaints (and am dealing with) complaints about hedges which extend out at the base to the edge of the verge leaving nowhere for walkers/cyclists. An example is Bridgetts Lane at the A33 end.

Tipping was reported at Princes Mead. This is private land, but I have asked that the source is investigated as on public land.

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Appendix 4

Monthly Bank Reconciliation

To be inserted.

Correspondence December 2018

No	Content/Detail	Date	Action
1	Rural Services Network Rural Bulletin <i>Forwarded to Cllr Appleby and Cllr Riley on 4th December 2018</i>	04.12.18	For info
2	HALC Chief Executive's Bulletin <i>Forwarded to chairs on 4th December 2018</i>	04.12.18	For info
3	Rural Services Network Rural Funding Digest <i>Forwarded to Cllr Appleby and Cllr Riley on 5th December 2018</i>	05.12.18	For info
4	South Down National Park Authority Newsletter <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 9th December 2018</i>	08.12.18	For info
5	Rural Services Network Rural Bulletin <i>Forwarded to Cllr Appleby and Cllr Riley on 11th December 2018</i>	11.12.18	For info
6	Winchester Community Safety Partnership December e-bulletin <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 11th December 2018</i>	11.12.18	For info
7	Hampshire ALC Training & Events Calendar 2019 <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 17th December 2018</i>	12.12.18	For info
8	Information from Hampshire Countryside Access Forum, a statutory advisory body made up entirely of volunteers, whose remit is to advise Hampshire County Council and other authorities (including local councils) on any matters pertaining to rights of way and access routes used for recreation and utility purposes. Please direct any questions you may have to hcaf@hants.gov.uk <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 18th December 2018</i>	17.12.18	For info
9	Hampshire ALC LCPD Winter Newsletter. <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 17th December 2018</i>	17.12.18	For info
10	Rural Services Network Rural Bulletin <i>Forwarded to Cllr Appleby and Cllr Riley on 18th December 2018</i>	18.12.18	For info
11	HCC Central East Access Newsletter DECEMBER 2018 <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 20th December 2018</i>	20.12.18	For info
12	WCC Draft Licensing Policy Consultation <i>Forwarded to all councillors on 20th December 2018.</i>	20.12.18	For info
13	Active Places January Update <i>Forwarded to Cllr Riley on 1st January 2019.</i>	28.12.18	For info