



Itchen Valley Parish Council

Serving the Communities of Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Thursday 6th February 2020 at Martyr Worthy Village Hall, starting at 7pm.

Attending: Cllrs Appleby (Chairman), Langford, Jeffes (left 7:45pm), Percy, Moffatt, Riley, Stirrup

In Attendance: Michelle Leadbitter-Allen (Clerk), resident of Easton Village

Absent: Cllr Legat

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19.0399	Apologies: Cllr Andrews	
19.0400	Public Participation & Declarations of Interest on issues on the Agenda. No declarations of interest were made. One member of public was present.	
19.0401	The Minutes of the Meeting of 9th January 2020 were agreed and Cllr Appleby signed the minutes as a correct record. There were no matters arising.	
19.0402	City & County Councillor Reports No Councillor Reports received.	
19.0403	Boomtown Presentation: Four members of Boomtown Fair gave a presentation on the Event and specifically around the perceived impact of planning application SDNP/19/06160/CND Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Consent SDNP/18/06249/FUL. The presentation was thorough, and the following questions were asked by the parish council and members of the public present. Please find link to presentation slides here. <ol style="list-style-type: none">Cllr Langford inquired whether the increased attendance requested in the planning variation is roughly a 25% increase in capacity. This was confirmed by Boomtown Representatives, although the application is only to bring the numbers in line with the license granted by WCC in July 2019, which allows for an increased total number of attendees of 75,999 (plus an additional 1,000 Sunday tickets for local residents) The principle of a music festival of this site and in this location has already been permitted. This application is for the increase in the number of attendees (an increase of 11,000) to the festival alone, this being 'personal' to Boomtown.What is the relationship between Matterley and Boomtown regarding this Application? This is a Boomtown Application on Matterley land.Is there a contract between Boomtown and Matterley to deliver on the commitments outlined, especially the environmental ones? Yes, we work closely with Matterley, but we are making this planning application	

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	<p>ourselves as we really respect our location within the National Park, we want this to be personalised to us. We have been here so long, and we understand and care about the ecology of the site. We are bound to Section 106 agreement, so any commitment made we also must abide to. The Section 106 has been put in place to protect the land from the impact of the festival.</p>	
	<p>4. Cllr Langford asked why the land management plan not been delivered as part of the Section 106?</p> <p>This is about to be finalized, but the Section 106 can be signed and entered before the report is complete.</p>	
	<p>5. So, the Land Management Plan was part of the previous application is not complete. Is this not a breach of planning?</p> <p>There is no breach of planning application as, the Land & Ecological Management Plan of which the latest version has been uploaded to the planning portal which was attached to Matterley's application. This document has a 5-year plan, working with the landowner Boomtown has aligned itself with the commitments outlined in the LEMP. There is a contract with the landowner. The SSSI areas are already protected.</p>	
	<p>6. Cllr Langford says that the Phase One survey was completed in November 2019, however it requires a Phase Two survey which needs to be completed over a period to complete a proper Ecological Survey. Has this been done?</p> <p>Boomtown said that this had not been done. Cllr Langford insisted that this was something that Boomtown should commit to.</p>	
	<p>7. Cllr Langford inquired how Boomtown is working to encompass the SDNP Dark Skies policy throughout the 9 weeks of time Boomtown accesses the site?</p> <p>We would like to lessen the impact and work alongside SDNP on Dark Skies Policy and they are working with a Dark Skies Specialist to see how they can lessen their impact. However, to shorten the time they spend there, would cause a heavy financial impact on the festival. Cllr Langford said it would help if they would switch the lights off at night.</p>	
	<p>8. Cllr Langford inquired why the Community Fund was significantly smaller than that given by other festival holders such as Glastonbury. This was supported by the Chairman of the Upper Itchen Society</p> <p>Boomtown representative explained that as Boomtown is independently owned, they are not in the position to give as much money to the local community as other festivals. Boomtown genuinely want the local residents to be proud of the Festival</p>	

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and although they cannot give back large financial incentives, they do give back locally in other ways e.g.: using local traders as much as they can and with their Boomtown Outreach Programme.

9. **Cllr Riley said that that the proportion of local traders to the total number of traders present seemed low at 10-15%.**

Boomtown rep said that there were plans in place to increase this, but the difficulty lies with finding local traders that hold licenses to sell at festivals. The commercial team are currently trying to enlist local traders to the 'supply chain'.#

Cllr Riley said that Winchester City Council seem to benefit more than SNDP and would like that to change.

10. **Cllr Appleby asked how the increased traffic would be managed.**

Boomtown will be applying for additional access which should alleviate the ingress and egress of traffic at the site. In addition they have a comprehensive traffic management plan and will be employing additional stewards and traffic management staff.

11. **Cllr Appleby asked why there had to be an additional planning application for the access point?**

This is because it was missed off the previous application and the current application is only a Variation application not a full planning application.

The Boomtown representatives were thanked for their presentation. They then left the meeting at approximately 8pm.

19.0404 Financial Matters: Cllr Riley

(i) Council Noted [Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting of Thursday 16th January 2020.](#)

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(ii) [Bills to Pay](#): Circulated and signed off by Cllr Langford & Cllr Moffatt
(ii.i) Bill for Storage Unit signed off in retrospect by Cllr Appleby & Cllr Moffatt

(iii) [Presentation of Quarterly Accounts \(1 April to 31 December\)](#)

a. Cllr Riley mentioned that she had been unsuccessful in finding someone to fix the noticeboard at Martyr Worthy.

Action: Cllr Moffatt to give Cllr Riley details of carpenter in Alresford that may be able to help

19.0405 Planning: - Chair Cllr Langford

(i) Note [Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of Thursday 16th January 2020](#)

(ii) Planning Applications Received up until and including 31st January 2020

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(iii) [SDNP/19/06160/CND](#)

Location: Matterley Farm Alresford Road Ovington Alresford Hampshire SO24

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Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Consent SDNP/18/06249/FUL

Closing Date: 3rd February 2020

Decision: Neutral

Comment: May we thank you for allowing us extra time to enable the organisers of the Boomtown to make a presentation of their case to our parish council before we commented on their application.

It must be acknowledged that this festival is an established event and had been held at this location before the South Downs National Park came into being. It is a popular event and in recent years has become well organised. The case for wishing to increase the numbers attending is understood. However, it must be noted that this festival is being held on a site within the Park and this would appear to be contrary to the prime objective for which the Park was established.

Itchen Valley Parish Council must therefore express our concern regarding the further potential damage to the environment that this increase in numbers may cause.

To mitigate potential damage, we recommend the following: -

That the long-term Land Management Strategy should be agreed and documented as part of the s106 agreement for the current planning permission of 17th December 2019.

That no further roads, tracks or hard standing areas are created.

That where festival equipment is stored permanently on site it is kept to a minimum and that all storage areas, existing or new, are kept as hidden as possible to minimise intrusion into the general ambience and natural beauty of the South Downs.

That, as this is a dark skies area, light pollution is controlled, especially during construction and deconstruction periods.

That as this application to increase in numbers attending is to be compatible with the present license and therefore if consent is given, that it should be limited to the same number of remaining years as the license when at the end of which both may be reviewed simultaneously, albeit by the separate planning and licensing authorities.

(iv) [SDNP/19/06086/HOUS](#)

Location: The Old School House Church Lane Easton SO21 1EH

Proposal: Demolish the garage and the recent north and west extensions, Extend the two storey north gable to match existing, Reinstate original brick detailing and original windows, Construct a single storey extension to the rear of the property, Carry out internal alterations and Construct garden wall (1.2M

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high) with pleached tree hedge behind for privacy between front courtyard and rear garden

Closing Date: 11th February 2020

Decision: Support

(v) [SDNP/20/00226/HOUS](#)

Location: Chapel Cottage Chapel Lane Easton SO21 1EN

Proposal: Rear single storey oak framed extension. This is a modification of the extension permitted by application 15/00080/HOUS which is current. Remodelling and conversion of the existing double garage to provide playroom, home study and store area.

Closing Date: 18th February 2020

Decision: Support

(vi) [SDNP/20/00329/LIS](#)

Location: Martyr Worthy Place Bridgets Lane Martyr Worthy Hampshire SO21 1AW

Proposal: Insertion of a door within an existing window opening.

Closing Date: 21st February 2020

Decision: Support

Parish reports

(i) Footpath Matters- Cllr Jeffes had left early and would update council at next meeting.

(ii) Highways

Cllr Appleby had received a request from the Hampshire Chronicle to comment on recent accident on A272.

There was discussion around areas of B3047 that were flooding each time it rains as they were becoming increasingly dangerous to road users.

There was a discussion around potholes.

(iii) Village Halls:

Martyr Worthy:

Cllr Moffatt reported that the Village Hall was a long way off from getting Wi-Fi.

Itchen Abbas & Avington:

Cllr Langford had nothing to report

Easton:

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	<p>Cllr Percy had nothing to report</p> <p>(iv) <u>Website:</u></p> <p>Cllr Legat was not present. Clerk had nothing to report.</p> <p>(v) <u>Open Spaces</u></p> <p>Storage Unit:</p> <p>Cllr Riley thanked Cllr Appleby, Cllr Moffatt and Clerk for hard work getting the container delivered and put in place. Cllr Riley said however that the unit is resting on the septic tank and would need to be moved.</p> <p>Cllr Appleby advised that he was in possession of the only key for storage unit and would make sure that the unit was opened for the WYFC to use on Saturday.</p> <p>Action: Cllr Appleby to ask WYFC to purchase combination lock for storage unit</p> <p>Trees:</p> <p>Cllr Langford informed council that the lengthsman had spent a day removing Ivy at low level. However, a tree surgeon is needed to remove the Ivy further up the trees.</p> <p>Action: Cllr Langford to contact tree surgeon Mr. Luff in this regard</p> <p>Hedge:</p> <p>Cllr Langford update the council regarding the situation with the hedge alongside the park at Couch Green. A resident has been given permission to cut back the hedge and to plant Devils Horse Whips. The resident has done this, but more are needed. Cllr Langford asked fellow members whether the council could purchase some additional Devils Horse Whips and some canes with which to support them with.</p> <p>All agreed.</p> <p>Action: Cllr Langford to purchase the Devils Horse Whips and support canes.</p> <p>Woodlands Tree Surgeon will cut down the overgrown Hawthorne down the path that runs up the side of playground.</p> <p>Risk Register</p> <p>Cllr Riley explained that we have commitment to replace equipment as identified by the Playground inspector and this needs further discussion at the next F&GP.</p> <p>Discussion around the condemned equipment 'bridge' at Old School Field. This needs to be taped off if not removed soon.</p>	

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	<p>Action: Cllr Appleby to look at the damage before the next meeting</p> <p>Action: Clerk to add Risk Register to F&GP agenda for further discussion and resolution.</p>	
19.0406	Update on Boomtown Community Fund	
	<p>Clerk had received word from Boomtown Community Liaison that the payment of the Fund to the Parish Council was imminent.</p> <p>Action: Cllr Riley to highlight this the Valley News.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to add to F&GP agenda</p>	
19.0407	Reallocation of Committee Members	
	<p>All agreed to leave all Council Members on the Committees as this helped to maintain quorum.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to add Cllr Percy as member of Planning and F&GP Committee</p> <p>Action: All to advise the clerk of Cllr Appleby in advance if unable to attend.</p>	
19.0408	Decision on Bus Shelter	
	<p>After reviewing the residents letters and the quotations of bus shelters provided by Cllr Appleby the council resolved to use All Aspects to build a new bus stop in Itchen Abbas. Cllr Appleby provided three quotations as required by the Council's Financial Regulations. All Aspects was the cheapest quotation received and is a replica of the existing shelter with the addition of a window. The cost excluding VAT is £2950.00 and included in the price is the removal of existing bus shelter, site preparation and installation of new one.</p>	
19.0409	Update on Candover Pipeline	
	<p>Cllrs Appleby and Riley attended the recent presentation given by Southern Water. The presentation repeated the report given in the Summer. An area identified by the Councillors was the water that would be discharged through the trout farm and did the extraction license cover the amount of litres per day. There was concern over the impact of the amount and speed at which the water would reach the river.</p> <p>Additionally, there was concern that the Candover Brook would dry out as a result.</p>	
19.0410	Discussion: How do we as a Parish Council help fight climate change	
	<p>Due to time constraints all agreed to move this agenda item to the March Meeting</p> <p>Cllr Langford advised that a date for the Wilding Presentation had not yet been agreed.</p>	
19.041	Litter Pick Update	
	<p>Cllr Appleby updated the council on progress made since last meeting and he has</p>	

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	<p>just received the forms from WCC to fill in. Still aiming for 21st March.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks to Cllr Riley for booking the Martyr Worthy Village. • The WI have agreed to provide tea and cake. • Asked for 60 litter pickers, 60 tweezers, 60 vests and 100 bags. • After a discussion the council decided that all the litter collected should be separated into normal refuse and recycling at Martyr Worthy Hall after the litter pick, but before tea and cake. • Cllr Riley has added the litter pick event to 'Keep Britain Tidy' website. • Cllr Appleby has arranged for the rubbish to be collected on Wednesday after the litter pick. <p>Action: Cllr Riley to organise the litter separation</p> <p>Action: Cllr Appleby to ask iVerdi for recycling bags in addition to the refuse bags</p> <p>Action: Cllr Appleby to add the litter pick advert to the Valley News</p>	
19.0396	<p>Correspondence: Council Noted Received Correspondence January 2020</p>	ALL
19.0397	<p>Items for Consideration at Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add Blue Lantern Trust to APM Agenda as possible speaker • Add Friends of the Earth 20 Actions that Parish & Town Councils can take to FCM Agenda 	ALL
19.0398	<p>Date of Next Meeting(s)</p> <p>Next scheduled Full Council Meeting is on Thursday 5th March at Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall. Meeting to commence at 7pm</p> <p>Chair closed the meeting at 9.10pm</p>	

Bank Account Reconciled Statement

Deposit Account 20374444 60-83-01
Statement Number 11
Statement Opening Balance £47,792.27 Opening Date 01/01/20
Statement Closing Balance £47,792.27 Closing Date 06/02/20
True/ Cashbook Closing
Balance £47,792.27

Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
	No activity		0.00	0.00	47,792.27

Uncleared and unrepresented effects

Total

Reconciled by Michelle Leadbitter-Allen

Signed _____
Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer

Chair