

THURSLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday 3rd July 2018 at 6.00 pm
Thursley Village Hall, Thursley

Attendees: Cllr P. Hunter (Chair) Cllr S. Edwards Cllr J. Luff
 Cllr J. Swift Mrs E. Felton (Clerk)

Also attending were: Cllr D. Harmer (SCC) Mr J. Giles

1.0 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Clerk reported that apologies had been received from Cllr Mendelsohn, Cllr Malton, Cllr David Else and Cllr Jenny Else who were not able to attend due to personal and business commitments. These apologies were accepted by those present.

2.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No members disclosed any (a) Personal, (b) Prejudicial interests which they are required to disclose by section 94(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 and in accordance with The Parish Council (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007.

3.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 5th June 2018 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

4.0 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

(4.1) The Clerk reported that she had communicated with SCC regarding repair/replacements of the Footpath 97a sign and understood that it was still listed as an outstanding item and would be repaired in due course.

(4.2) Cllr Hunter reported that following a question raised at the previous Parish Council meeting, Cllr Mendelsohn had visited the site where it had been suggested that building works were taking place, but he had not seen any evidence that this was the case.

(4.3) The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the supplier of the play area equipment regarding the quality of the rocker and been informed that they had evidenced the same damage in a play area in the area which had captured the vandalism on CCTV, so his suggestion was that it had been done on purpose.

The Clerk advised that she was in the process of completing an insurance claim for the replacement of the item. It was noted that the Parish Council would be liable for the excess amount.

It was noted that it had been suggested to retain the remainder of the rocker in situ for the moment as removal may damage the ground surface resulting in more of a hazard than the broken unit.

(4.4) The Clerk confirmed that she had written letters to thank two parishioners for their regular litter picks.

(4.5) It was noted that the white lines had now been painted by the Clump.

5.0 COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

(5.1) Cllr Harmer explained the recent discussions which had taken place regarding funding allocated to the Lengthsmen Scheme within Waverley. He advised that he would be arranging a meeting for Town and Parish representatives to attend so that the subject could be discussed further.

(5.2) Cllr Harmer provided an overview on the current discussions taking place regarding Children's, Adult's and Mental Health Services.

6.0 PLANNING

(6.1) WA/2018/0998 – 2 Church Cottages, The Street, GU8 6QF
Erection of extensions and alterations following relevant demolition of part of an

Following review of the plans and documents, it was resolved that the Parish Council had NO COMMENT regarding the proposal. **The Clerk was asked to make a note on the response to WBC that the understanding of the Parish Council was that the materials were in keeping with the existing building and that the slope of the roof was appropriate.**

(6.2) Discussion took place regarding a communication from WBC Enforcement team following their recent site visit to Haybarn. It was noted that the advice of WBC to the applicant had been to withdraw the current planning application.

(6.3) Discussion took place regarding a communication received from WBC regarding possible unlawful development in Bowlhead Green. **The Clerk was asked to ask WBC to undertake a visit to the site to ensure that development on the site is lawful.**

No public question time took place as it was not necessary.

7.0 PAYMENT FOR APPROVAL

(7.1) The following list of payments for July was presented, duly authorised and approved for online release:

E. Felton	Salary & expenses	£295.77
HMRC	July payment	£182.40
TOTAL		£478.17

(7.2) The budget review document showing actual to end June and forecast for the remainder of the 2018-19 period was discussed by Councillors. It was noted that the VAT payment had been received twice in error and that the Clerk was in communication with HMRC to arrange return of the duplicate payment. The Clerk provided an explanation for the 'Village support costs' which had been incurred during the quarter.

(7.3) In response to a question raised by Cllr Swift regarding payments in August, the Clerk suggested that as the meeting in September was very early in the month, it may be appropriate for these to be approved at that time.

(7.4) Cllr Swift advised that the online authorisation process which had taken place the previous month had worked well.

(7.5) Cllr Swift advised that as per the internal audit report, he would be reviewing the first quarter payments during the summer and checking bank reconciliations.

(7.6) Cllr Swift suggested that the Parish Council consider holding some funds in a deposit account now that the online banking process was operational. **Following discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Swift review the options available.**

8.0 COUNCILLOR VACANCY UPDATE

The Clerk reported that WBC had confirmed that an election to fill the Councillor vacancy was not required and that a co-option notice had been displayed with a closing date for applications of 16th July 2018. It was noted that the co-option process would take place at the September meeting.

9.0 HIGHWAYS

Cllr Hunter advised that a meeting had been arranged with the Highways authority, to which he would be attending along with Cllr Luff and Cllr Harmer, to discuss the access/egress arrangements at Warren Park.

10.0 LENGTHSMEN SCHEME 2018-19

See (5.1) above.

11.0 SILENT SOLDIERS

(11.1) It was noted that an article had been included in the July issue of the Parish Magazine asking for contributions towards the purchase of a 'Silent Soldier' as a permanent reminder of those that had lost their lives in WWI. The Clerk reported that she had received cheques to the amount of £100 to date and that parishioners were able to pay directly into the Parish Council bank account.

Cllr Hunter advised that the PCC had requested that the silhouette be installed within the churchyard. It was suggested that Mr James Goble may be able to help with providing a permanent base for the unit to stand on.

It was suggested that the Clump may be a more appropriate siting for the unit. Cllr Edwards advised that he was speaking with Mr Simon Hall regarding the re-planting of the Clump and that possibly if the Silent Soldier was to be sited there, this should be a consideration as part of the planning process.

It was agreed that the final decision regarding the purchase and siting of the unit/s takes place at the September PC meeting.

(11.2) Cllr Hunter asked for approval for printing of the poster which had been prepared by Mr Peter Hanauer as a commemoration for the Thursley residents involved in WWI. **It was agreed Cllr Hunter should arrange for six copies to be printed and laminated.** It was agreed that the siting of the posters be agreed at the September Parish Council meeting.

12.0 LOCAL PLAN PART 2 CONSULTATION

Cllr Swift advised that as requested he had circulated details of the consultation documents and proposed policies to Councillors. He highlighted two possible concerns which Councillors may wish to consider for comment.

The first issue was the development rights which allows farm or outbuildings to be replaced with residential dwellings under the current legislation for previously developed land.

Cllr Swift suggested that another consideration should be that the green spaces identified by Cllr Edwards were not included in the plan as WBC believed them to have sufficient protection already under AONB and Green Belt policies.

Following discussion, Cllr Swift agreed to draft a response to highlight these issues for distribution to Councillors, prior to completing the online consultation response form.

13.0 REMOVAL OF REDUNDANT ROAD SIGNS

Following discussion, Councillors were asked to provide Cllr Hunter with details of any signs that they thought appropriate for removal so that he could consolidate a list so that further discussion and agreement could take place at the September Parish Council meeting. It was noted that in order to ensure democracy, a unanimous vote for removal would be needed and that consultation with the Police should also be a consideration.

14.0 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported the following items of correspondence:

(14.1) Cllr Swift was due to attend the WBC Town and Parish Council meeting on 9th July 2018 and that an outcome of this meeting may be the need for Planning Committee meetings to take place on a more regular basis due to proposed changes to timings for comment of applications.

(14.2) Communications received from WBC regarding consultation on new dog orders and dog control public space protection orders.

(14.3) Communication received from WBC regarding the next steps in the 'Frensham and Great Pond Common Project'.

(14.4) An offer received from WBC Housing Strategy group to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss the new Housing Strategy 2018-2023. **The Clerk was asked to advise them that he would be welcome to attend a meeting after the summer break.**

(14.5) A communication from Mrs Nicki Bates regarding an offer for Councillors to join Mr James Giles (NE) to visit the common one evening during w/c 9th July to listen to night-jars. Cllr

Hunter, Cllr Edwards and Cllr Swift expressed an interest in participating. **Cllr Hunter agreed to make arrangements.**

(14.6) A communication suggesting that 'Please take your litter home' signs should be erected in the parking areas along Dye House Road. Following discussion Councillors agreed that in light of previous correspondence regarding the number of signs in the village and the belief that the signs would have minimal impact, it was not necessary.

In response to a request that a patch saying 'Thursley Parish Council' be provided to a regular litter picker within the village for the back of his high visibility jacket, Councillors agreed that it be supplied.

16.0 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING

- Items carried forward from above
- Councillors Roles and Responsibilities 2018-19
- Recreation Ground boundary and registration – Cllr Edwards

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm

Date of next meeting is Monday 3rd September 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Signed

3rd September 2018

