

**ROMSEY EXTRA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The New Dining Room, Stroud School, Romsey: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 7.15 – 9.50pm

**Present:** Chris Wesson (Chairman) (CW), Andy Carter (AC) & John Parker.

**Attending:** Clerk: Carol McFarland (CM). Hampshire Constabulary: PCSO Jo Cole. Members of the Public: Mr R Black of Highwood Lane.

**ACTION**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new year.

**129 APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

Parish Councillors: Teresa Hibberd (TH), Ian Hibberd (also Borough Councillor) (IH), Alison Johnston (also Borough Councillor) (AJ) & Jenny Mills (JM). County Councillor: Roy Perry (RP)

**130 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, GIFTS or HOSPITALITY**

None declared.

**131 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr Black asked the Parish Council for an update on the Traffic Calming proposed for Highwood Lane. JP reported that the views of the Parish Council and the consolidated views of the residents had been given to HCC. JP to find out for the next meeting if the trigger point on houses occupied at Abbotswood had been reached yet. Further Mr Black reported that lorries were ignoring width restriction on Highwood Lane. If possible Mr Black to provide photographic evidence.

JP

**132 COUNTY COUNCILLOR/ BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORTS (if present)**

Not present.

**133 POLICE REPORT**

PCSO Jo Cole reported that it had been fairly quiet with the exception of shed breaks. Community Speedwatch – CW to arrange a Press Release – JP to pass round Neighbourhood Watch. CW to e-mail PCSO Jo Cole the list of people interested in being trained. CW asked if he could accompany the police again on an evening – CW to liaise with Sgt Alyson West.

CW  
JP**134 TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> October & 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

**RESOLVED:** Minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> October & 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014 to be signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meetings. **Note:** No meeting took place in December 2014.

CW

**135 CLOSING ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014:**

The Clerk reported that she had been informed by Jonathan Bambridge HCC that the grid for the pipe under Highwood Lane / Botley Road had now been installed.

**136 FINANCE****a) Quarterly Financial Statement to 31 December 2014 inc Monthly Bank Reconciliation:**

**RESOLVED:** That the Quarterly Financial Statement to 31 December 2014 and the monthly Bank Reconciliation as of 16 December be noted and signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Financial Officer.

**b) Agree Budget & Precept 2015/16:**

**RESOLVED:** That the Council budget for 2015/16 be set at £35,776 see appendix. Further it was **RESOLVED** that the precept for 2015/16 be set at £39,403, having zero effect on the Council Tax.

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**c) NALC – 2014 – 2016 National Salary Award. RESOLVED:** That the Council accepts this and applies to the Clerk's salary.

**d) Payments for Approval:****(i) General Power of Competence:**

**RESOLVED:** "That this council in accordance with its powers under sections 1-8 of the Localism Act 2011, should incur the following expenditure:"

Details	Authority	Total
December Payments Retrospective:		

Mountbatten School – Citizenship Award Plaques & Voucher	Localism Act 2011 s1-8	£189-58
Valley Leisure Ltd – Donation Woodley Close Picnic 9/8/14	Localism Act 2011 s1-8	£250-00

**(ii) Other:**

**RESOLVED:** That the payment schedule below received & agreed and endorsed by members:

Details	Authority	Total
December Payments Retrospective:		
BT Payments Services Ltd – Calls, rental & Broadband £111-61 + VAT	LGA 1972 s111	£132-32
Woodley Village Hall APA 29 April 2015	LGA 1972 s12 p7&23	£28-50
John Chambers Tree Warden Exps	T&CPA 1990 para 8 s1	£6-83
Newsquest Media Group – Newspaper Notices – 05/12/14 £25-60 + VAT	LGA 1972 s142	£30-72
Marc Nokes – L/scape Maintenance Work Nov	OSA 1906 ss9,10	£105-00
A&M Cleaning – Bus Shelter Cleaning £75 + VAT Nov	LG (Misc Prov) Act 1953 s4	£90-00
C McFarland - Expenses – Postage £7-89	LGA 1972 s111	£60-89
- Mileage £53-00	LGA 1972 s111	
Hampshire Pension Fund- payment Dec £135-27 & £39-30	LGA 1972 s111	£174-57
C McFarland – Salary – Dec	LGA 1972 s111	£672-27
January Payments:		
Stroud School Ltd – Jan, Feb & Mar meetings	LGA 1972 s12 p7&23	£75-00
HMRC – Quarterly payment Oct – Dec 2014	LGA 1972 s111	£6-21
Newsquest Media Group – Newspaper Notices – 02/01/15 £25-60 + VAT	LGA 1972 s142	£30-72
Marc Nokes – L/scape Maintenance Work Dec	OSA 1906 ss9,10	£105-00
A&M Cleaning – Bus Shelter Cleaning £75 + VAT Dec	LG (Misc Prov) Act 1953 s4	£90-00
C McFarland - Expenses – Postage £4-77	LGA 1972 s111	£59-87
- Mileage £35-10	LGA 1972 s111	
- J Chambers voucher £20	LGA 1972 ss15(5) & 35(5)	
Hampshire Pension Fund- payment Jan £42-26 & £142-33	LGA 1972 s111	£184-59
C McFarland – Salary – Jan	LGA 1972 s111	£717-55

**e) Payments Received:** Nothing received.

**f) Grants for Consideration:** Romsey CAB: **RESOLVED:** "That this council grants £300 towards a new telephone system. Romsey Xmas Lights – the Clerk to obtain from Romsey Town Council a breakdown of the costs.

**CM**

**137 PROJECTS**

**a) S106 Monies** – To Set a List to Prioritise Spending: It was suggested that some art was purchased for the village hall such as a tapestry. AJ to get details.

**Agenda  
AJ**

**138 COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION**

**a) Newsletter** – Feedback & Articles for next Edition: JP – Highwood Lane drains & TVBC Local Examination in Public. AC – Remembrance Service.

**ALL**

**b) Website** – JP reported that he had now drafted the specification to include a date for works to be completed. The Clerk to formally issue an order to Ashdown Software for the development of the Council's website. JP to e-mail round the council a list of tasks. JP to send to Ashdown Software information and pictures once checked and approved for putting on website. On-site one day training to be agreed.

**CM,JP  
CW  
AC**

**c) Annual Parish Assembly 2015** – Outstanding Issues nothing to report. All to consider ideas for a guest speaker.

**ALL**

**d) NALC** – Local Council Award Scheme (Replacement for Quality Council Scheme). The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had been awarded the Free Foundation Level for one year to expire in January 2016.

**e) Outstanding Issues:** Nothing further to report.

**139 PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

**a) Outstanding Issues:** Nothing further to report.

**CW**

**140 FOOTPATHS & ROADS**

a) **HCC** – Traffic Order Proposal 30mph Sandy Lane. Noted.

b) **Gate** – Crampmoor Lane Closed Section consider replacing. **RESOLVED:** “That this council replaces the damaged gate. The Clerk to obtain a quote. **CM**

c) **Traffic Calming s106 Abbotswood** – Update inc Highwood Lane & MSLR: It was reported that the closure of School Road would start on 7 April 2015. Further there was currently no date for the signalisation of Braishfield Road/Winchester Road. The Parish Council to register their disappointment that the signals at Braishfield Road/Winchester Road were not yet scheduled. **CM**

d) **Community Speedwatch** – Update: See minute 133.

e) **Outstanding Issues:** Nothing further to report.

**141 PARISH AMENITIES**

a) **Woodley Village Hall** – Works to front patio –update. It was reported that two bollards had been placed at the entrance to the car park. Remove from agenda until something is to be reported. **CM**

b) **Abbotswood Community Centre** – Proposals update: Nothing further reported. Remove from agenda until something is to be reported. **CM**

c) **Outstanding Issues:** Nothing further to report.

**142 CORRESPONDENCE**

a) **Relating to Meetings:**

i) **Minutes:**

17/09/14 – Woodley Village Hall Management Committee (e-mailed)

18/09/14 – Romsey Forum (e-mailed)

15/10/14 – Woodley Village Hall Management Committee (e-mailed)

13/11/14 – TVAPTC (e-mailed)

ii) **Dates:**

20/11/14 – Romsey Forum

25/11/14 – Mountbatten School Opening of 3G Pitch (7pm TH to attend)

14/12/14 – The Children's Society Christingle Service (3pm Abbey CW to attend)

17/12/14 – Woodley & Crampmoor Christmas Party (2pm CW to attend)

28/01/15 – Hartford Care Topping Out Ceremony – Abbotswood Court (11.30am CW to attend)

14/03/15 - Reminiscences of Romsey (Crosfield Hall CW to attend)

b) **Requiring Parish Council Attention/Consideration: All Noted.**

RTC – Romsey Town Centre Manager – contribution to costs

HCC Comments on The Rights Of Way Vegetation Priority Cutting Lists For Your Parish – 2015 – Clerk to send weblink. **Agenda**

TVBC – Parish Election Costs 2015 **CM**

Mrs Courtenay – Sweeping of Highwood Lane Footway

c) **Other Correspondence, Circulars & Publications: All Noted.**

ALC e –Updates (e-mailed)

Rural Focus (e-mailed)

HCC Community Transport Bulletin December (e-mailed)

HCC Hants News December 2014 (e-mailed)

HCC Planning for Minerals & Waste – November 2014 (e-mailed)

Clerks and Councils Direct January 2015

**143 PLANNING**

a) **TVBC – Review of the Test Valley Access Plan Supplementary Planning Document** (16 January 2015) All to look at this document and respond as individual councillors. **ALL**

b) **TVBC - Consultation Review of the Romsey Town Access Plan Supplementary Planning Document** (27 February 2015). Defer to February. **Agenda**

c) **TVBC Revised Local Plan:** To receive an update. JP & CW updated the meeting.

d) **Romsey Neighbourhood Plan:** To receive update on progress and to agree the Terms of Reference of the Romsey Area Neighbourhood Plan Group. It was reported that more structure was required for the Romsey Neighbourhood Plan group including the possibility of a joint sub-committee of both the Town and Romsey Extra Councils. The Clerk to see if there are any model constitutions for such a joint sub-committee. **CM**

e) **New Applications:**

(i) **RESOLVED** that **No Objection** be made on the applications below: **CM**

**14/02853/FULLS** Erection of ground floor extension to provide kitchen **162 Botley Road**

**14/02835/VARS** Variation of conditions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 8 of 14/01726/VARS (Variation of condition 1 of 13/02464/RESS (Erection of care/nursing home with associated parking - Part details of 08/00475/OUTS)) to allow use of different materials **Land At Abbotswood**

**14/02868/FULLS** Erection of an Orangery to the rear of the property **7 Primrose Way**

**14/02772/FULLS** Part two storey and part single storey extension to provide swimming pool, plant room and jacuzzi area, with mezzanine with dormer over, installation of new windows and rooflight on front elevation, and correction to land levels to that previously indicated on the front and rear elevations – Retrospective **Fishlake Cottage, Greatbridge Road**

**14/02886/ADVS** Retention of 6 fascia signs, 2 blackboard type signs, 2 inter-changeable signs, one swing sign and one sign fixed to post, and one directional sign **The Dukes Head, Greatbridge Road**

**14/02996/HCC3S** Single storey extension to form multi-function room and office **Halterworth Primary School**

**15/00006/CMAS** County Matter Application for removal of lean to building and replace with a picking station including associated conveyors and containers, replacing an existing picking station with a larger unit, provision of concrete surfacing for aggregate storage, extension and relocate offices/mess rooms and revision of vehicle manoeuvring/car parking area with associated changes to approved layout drawing 396C/SL/2 March 2011 as referenced in condition 2 of appeal decision APP/Q1770/A/11/2161324 **RFSF Recycling, Bunny Lane**

(ii) **RESOLVED** that **No Comment** be made on the applications below:

**14/02286/FULLS** Retention of agricultural workers dwelling **Moors Farm, Sandy Lane**

**14/03000/TELS** Telecommunications notification to replace 13.5 metre telegraph pole with 15 metre telegraph pole, install 2 equipment cabinets and ancillary works **Mast 62137, Highwood Lane**

**f) Decisions:**

App. No.	Application Description	P.C. View	Decision
14/01849/FULLS	Demolition of existing and erection of new stable and store for donkey 2 Meadow View Cottages, Church Lane, Nursling	No Objection	PERMISSION st conditions & notes
14/00842/OUTS	Outline application for the erection of up to 116 houses with vehicular access from Botley Road Land At Corner Of Highwood Lane And Botley Road	Objection	REFUSE*

\*01. The proposed development, by reason of its scale and location, would have an adverse impact on the local landscape and would diminish the physical and visual integrity of the Romsey-North Baddesley Local Gap, to the detriment of the visual amenity and landscape qualities of the area. The proposals are therefore considered contrary to Policies SET05, DES01 and DES08 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.

02. The Transport Assessment as submitted does not adequately or accurately assess the likely impact of the proposed development on the local highway network and as such, the proposed development cannot be reconciled with the aims of the NPPF, in that the significant movements that would be generated as a result of the development could not be accommodated adequately on the existing transport network. This would result in a severe impact on the road safety and operation of the local transport network, contrary to the aims of the NPPF and Policy TRA09 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.

03. The proposed access, based on the information provided, is considered to be inadequate to accommodate the proposed development safely and as such, would result in an unacceptable impact on the safety of users of the development and adjoining highway, contrary to the aims of the NPPF and Policy TRA05 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.

04. Due to the absence of a legal agreement, the application has failed to make provision for the delivery of the required level of useable public recreational open space on site or financial contributions in lieu of on-site provision to mitigate against the additional pressure that would be placed on existing recreational facilities where there is a deficit in such provision, and where open space is to be provided on site, no provision has been secured for its long term management and maintenance. As such, the proposals are considered to be contrary to Policy ESN22 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006, the Council's 'Infrastructure and Developer Contributions' SPD (2009) and paragraph 73 of the NPPF.

05. In the absence of a legal agreement to secure the provision of the required level of affordable housing, including the retention of these units in perpetuity to occupation by households in housing need and ensuring that the units are dispersed throughout the development, the development would exacerbate an existing need for affordable housing in the locality, and is therefore contrary to the aims of the NPPF, Policy ESN04 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006 and the Council's 'Infrastructure and Developer Contributions' Supplementary Planning Document (2009).

06. In the absence of a legal agreement to secure the provision of proportionate financial contributions towards the provision of infrastructure and community facilities directly related to and necessary for the development or to mitigate the impact of the development, the proposal will place an unacceptable burden on the local infrastructure provision contrary to policy ESN30 (Infrastructure provision within new development) of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006 and the adopted Test Valley Borough Council Infrastructure and Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (2009).

07. The site lies within proximity to the Solent and Southampton Water SPA/RAMSAR and Lower Test Valley SSSI, the New Forest SPA/SAC/RAMSAR/SSSI and Emer Bog SAC/Baddesley Common & Emer Bog SSSI, all of which are designated for their conservation importance. In the absence of mitigation, it is not possible to conclude that the development, either alone or in combination with

<p>other proposed plans or projects, will not have any likely significant effect upon the integrity of these designated sites as a result of additional recreational pressures. The proposed development is therefore contrary to the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, and policies ENV01 and ENV03 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan (2006).</p> <p>08. The proposed development would result in the permanent loss of high quality agricultural land and fails to demonstrate that the use of this agricultural land is necessary or that no poorer quality agricultural land is available for the development. The proposals are therefore considered contrary to the guidance contained in paragraph 112 of the National Planning Policy Framework.</p> <p>09. Based on the limited information provided, it is not considered that the proposed loss of the Grade B oak tree to the Botley Road frontage has been justified and that its removal would result in a loss of visual amenity, and as such the proposed development is considered contrary to Policy DES08 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.</p> <p>10. In the absence of a legal agreement, the application has failed to secure the provision of financial contributions towards sustainable transport infrastructure and/or projects made necessary by the proposed development, to mitigate against the impact of the additional vehicle movements that would be generated on the existing highway network. The proposals are therefore considered contrary to the aims of the NPPF, Policies TRA04 and TRA09 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006 and the Council's 'Infrastructure and Developer Contributions' SPD (2009).</p> <p>11. Based on the information submitted, it is considered that the proposed development would result in an adverse impact on the character and setting of Luzborough Cottage, to the detriment of the significance of the heritage asset. The proposals are therefore considered to be contrary to the aims of the NPPF and Policy ENV17 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.</p>			
14/01295/FULLS	Retention of storage and distribution structures ancillary to existing B8 use Dalton Plant Limited, Open Storage Site, Sandy Lane	Objection	PERMISSION subject to conditions & notes
14/02524/LBWS	Provision of flood defence barriers to all external doors to be fixed in position when property is in danger of being flooded 7 Mainstone	No Comment	CONSENT subject to conditions & notes
14/02541/FULLS	Erection of rear conservatory 11 Five Elms Drive	No Objection	PERMISSION subject to conditions & notes
14/02506/LBWS	Installation of flood barriers to front door, back door and rear french windows 5 Mainstone	No Comment	CONSENT subject to conditions and notes
14/01952/TVBC	Erection of single storey community building to deliver targeted youth services and also provide community facilities for onsite sports clubs, private hire - Romsey Sports Centre	No Objection	PERMISSION subject to conditions & notes
14/00204/OUTS	Outline - Proposed development of 64 units of residential accommodation. Full planning to change use of former farmland at Fishlake Meadows to nature reserve Land At Oxlease Farm, Cupernham Lane	Objection	OUTLINE PERMISSION
14/01826/FULLS	Erection of solar photovoltaic panels and associated works including inverter housing, access tracks, security fencing and cameras - Land West Of A3057 (Romsey Road), Lee Lane	No Objection	REFUSE*
<p>*01. The proposed development, by reason of its size and scale would have an unacceptable impact upon the landscape character and the visual amenity of this location detrimental to the enjoyment of the countryside as experienced when in proximity to the site. The development conflicts with the Test Valley Borough Local Plan policies ESN32 (Renewable Energy Developments), DES01 (Landscape Character) and DES10 (New Landscaping). 02. Insufficient information has been submitted within the application to confidently conclude that the economic benefits of siting a renewable energy proposal on land deemed to be best and most versatile agricultural land quality are overriding to maintain the long term economic viability of the Broadlands Estate. The limitations of the site search to connect to a single primary substation also fail to demonstrate that alternative sites of poorer agricultural quality land could be used in preference to the application site for the siting of this large scale solar development. The development therefore does not accord with the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 112) and Planning Policy Guidance and policy SET08 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2006.</p>			
14/02286/FULLS	Retention of agricultural workers dwelling - Moors Farm, Sandy Lane	No Comment	REFUSE*
<p>*01. Notwithstanding the recent sale on the open market of a dwelling historically associated with the farm holding, insufficient justification has been provided to support the case for the provision of an additional new dwelling within an isolated location in the countryside for occupation by an agricultural worker employed on the holding, in terms of established functional and financial justification, with reference to the guidance contained within paragraphs 28 and 55 of the NPPF and the provisions of Test Valley Borough Plan Policies SET03 and ESN07. Moreover, the recent disposal of an existing dwelling is also contrary to the provisions of Policy ESN07.</p> <p>02. The proposed development is contrary to policy ESN22 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan and Infrastructure and Developer Contributions SPD in that no contribution is provided in order to address existing deficiencies in Public Open Space provision in the parish resulting in the development having an unmitigated additional burden on existing facilities.</p>			

03. The proposed development is contrary to policy TRA04 of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan and Infrastructure and Developer Contributions SPD in that no contribution is provided in order to address existing deficiencies in non-car modes of transport provision in the parish resulting in the development having an unmitigated additional burden on existing infrastructure.

**g) Tree Matters:**

**(i) Decisions:**

**14/02425/TPOS** 1 x Ash – Fell **5 Grange Mews (No Objection)** CONSENT subject to conditions and notes

**14/02494/TPOS** Subject trees are shown as T51 (oak), 52 (oak), 53 (ash) & G1 (mixed birch and hazel group) on plan and within planning documents for recent development. Work proposed is to cut them back in line with the boundary wall for plot 32. 2) trees to rear of plots 11-13 G19 (hawthorn) & T89 (oak) on plan and within planning documents for recent development. Work: Crown lift to 3.5m over gardens **Land Adjacent Plot 32 And Plots 11-13, Magnolia Walk, Off Sandy Lane (No Objection)** CONSENT subject to conditions and notes

**14/02566/TPOS** T5 - Oak – Fell **Land Off Sandy Lane Abbotswood (No Objection)** REFUSE  
Consent to fell T5, an Oak is hereby REFUSED. No evidence has been provided to substantiate that the work is necessary and on site none could be seen to suggest that felling was necessary.

**14/02388/TPOS** T1 - Oak – Fell **Woodlands, Straight Mile, Ampfield (No Objection)** CONSENT subject to conditions and notes

**14/02562/TPOS** T1 - Oak - 2m building clearance; T2 - Oak - 2m building clearance; T3 - Oak - Crown lift 2.5m from ground clearance, 2m lower branch tip reduction over pathway; T4 - Yew - Lower branch tip reduction of 1.5m over pathway **Land Off Sandy Lane Abbotswood (No Objection)** PART CONSENT/PART REFUSAL

**14/02664/TPOS** T1 - Lime - High Pollard **Stroud House, School Road (Object to pollarding but No objection to crown lifting)** CONSENT subject to conditions and notes

**h) Appeals:**

**(i) Outstanding:**

**14/00255/FULLS** Erection of dwelling and detached 3 bay garage with storage over **Land to rear of Properties Fronting Gardeners Lane, East Wellow (PC Objection – unwarranted development in countryside)**

**i) Correspondence:** Nothing received.

**j) Outstanding Issues:** Nothing reported.

**144 MEETINGS ATTENDED**

09/11/14 – Remembrance Day Service Chris Wesson attended.

13/11/14 – Mountbatten School Prize Giving Chris Wesson attended.

18/11/14 – TVBC Southern Planning Chris Wesson attended.

22/11/14 – Romsey Xmas Lights Switch on Chris Wesson attended.

24/11/14 – Halterworth School Opening of Comic Book Library Chris Wesson, Andy Carter & John Parker attended.

24/11/14 – Informal Meeting with Romsey Town Council Chris Wesson, Andy Carter, Teresa Hibberd and John Parker attended.

25/11/14 – Romsey School Prize Giving Chris Wesson attended.

27/11/14 – Mountbatten School Question of Sport Chris Wesson attended.

09/12/14 – Romsey School Carol Service Chris Wesson attended.

11/12/14 – TVBC Revised Local Plan Examination Chris Wesson & John Parker attended.

12/12/14 – TVBC Revised Local Plan Examination Chris Wesson & John Parker attended.

14/12/14 – The Childrens' Society Christingle Service Chris Wesson attended.

17/12/14 – Woodley & Crampmoor Friendship Club Xmas Party Chris Wesson attended.

17/12/14 – Mountbatten School Carol Service Chris Wesson attended.

21/12/14 – United Reformed Church Carol Service Chris Wesson attended.

**145 MEDIA ARTICLES**

Nothing to report.

**146 GENERAL BUSINESS AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION**

IT was agreed that the Clerk ask Marc Nokes to refurbish the two seats on School Road. All to consider setting up a Planning sub-committee and in the meantime everyone to try and look at the planning application before the next meeting.

CM

ALL