

**SHEET PARISH COUNCIL**

**CHAIRPERSON:** Ron Dark

**CLERK:** Jenny Hollington

**Minutes of the Meeting of Sheet Parish Council held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7.30 p.m. at Sheet Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs. Ron Dark (in the Chair) Tony Clear Alan Biddlecombe  
Robin Forrest Will Glancy Vaughan Clarke,  
Brian Bird

**In Attendance:** Clerk, Jenny Hollington

There were 14 members of the public present during the course of the meeting.

17/183 **Apologies** – Apologies had been received from Cllr. Gail Martin.

17/184 **Minutes** – The Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 were approved and signed.

17/185 **Declarations of Interests** – The Chairman reminded Councillors of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest on any item on the Agenda. None declared

17/186 **Public Comment** - None.

17/187 **Planning** – To discuss current planning applications:

SDNP/17/04496 /HOUS	<b>Single storey rear extension, loft conversion with rear dormer</b>	21 Town Lane, GU32 2AF	<b>No Objection</b>
SDNP/17/04532 /FUL	<b>Change of use of land to residential garden, retention of swimming pool and timber decking</b>	Lords, School Lane, GU32 2AS	<b>No Objection with comment</b>
SDNP/17/04714 /TCA	<b>Trees in conservation area – reduction in crown of walnut and apple, reduction in height of Magnolia</b>	6 Broadlands Cottages, Town Lane, GU32 2AG	<b>No Objection</b>

17/188 **SDNPA**

(a) SDNPA Local Plan Consultation – A draft response to the consultation had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting (attached - Appendix 1). In this response, the Parish Council have focussed on para 9.194 to allocate land in Pulens Lane for a major housing development and have raised 2 major concerns:

- The effect the proposed development would have on natural beauty, wildlife, woodland and cultural heritage of the area which conflicts with the SDNPA objective to conserve and enhance the landscape.
- The effect the proposed development would have on traffic in Pulens Lane and on existing community infrastructure (especially when viewed in conjunction with the proposal for 80 houses at Penns Fields) which conflicts with the objective to protect and provide for the social and economic wellbeing of National Park communities supporting local facilities.

The proposed response was unanimously approved and will be sent via the consultation process and a copy of the full response up-loaded to the Parish Council website for information.

- (b) SDNPA Parish Workshop – The Chairman and Cllr. Biddlecombe attended the Parish Workshop which had focussed on the Local Plan.

17/189 Finance

- (a) The Audit 2016-17 is now complete and no matters of concern were raised by the External Auditor – the notice of completion of audit is available via the website and noticeboards. All relevant information required under transparency regulations will be made available via the website.
- (b) The bank reconciliation for September had been circulated prior to the meeting and was approved and signed.
- (c) The following cheques were approved for payment:

Chq No.	Amount	Payee	Service
300731	£31.67	Contract Natural Gas	V. Hall
300732	£360.00	BDO	Audit
300733	£97.20	HCC (County Supplies)	V. Hall
300734	£960.00	Goldburn Finishers Ltd.	Footpath Signage
300735	£624.00	Sheet Music Ltd	Caretaking - V. Hall
300736	£100.00	N. Rook Blackstone	Allotment maintenance
300737	£92.90	HMRC	Tax + N.I. Clerk
300738	£611.27	J. Hollington	Clerk (October)
300739	£100.00	Clare Bond	Allotment deposit refund
300740	£60.00	Pamela Gray	Allotment deposit refund
300741	£100.00	Mr & Mrs. Bannister	Allotment deposit refund
Total :	£3,137.04		

17/190 Roads and Traffic –

- (a) **Inmans Lane/Pulens Lane Junction** – As agreed at the last meeting, Cllr. Martin contacted Ian Janes at HCC Highways to see what could be done to address the Parish Council’s concerns regarding this junction. A response has been received indicating that Hampshire Highways are unable to do anything at this stage because of the recent reduction in the County Council’s traffic management service. Priority for smaller scale/lower cost traffic management measures can only be given to sites where there are existing injury accident problems.
- (b) **Inmans Lane/Town Lane Parking** – Concerns have been raised by residents regarding parking outside the Nursery. Unfortunately, the newly-installed dropped kerb has made it easier for parents to pull in to drop their children off. The newly installed bollard has already been knocked down. It was agreed that Cllr. Martin should write to Damien Walsh to enquire whether it would be possible to install a planter either side of the dropped kerb to prevent parking at that spot.
- (c) **S.106 Monies (Highways)** – E-mail correspondence from Alisdair Twedde at EHDC confirms that the transport contribution due to SDNPA from the development on land behind School Lane equates to £46,545 and is to be used for off-site infrastructure improvements between the site and Sheet Primary School. This is to include creating a pedestrian access between Farnham Road and School Lane, improvements to Farnham Road including the widening of the footpath alongside the church wall and adding a crossing point, and the improvements to safety at the junction of Inmans Lane and Town Lane. It was agreed that Cllr. Martin would write to Ian Janes at Hampshire Highways to ensure that the works to Farnham Road are scheduled into the works programme as soon as possible, and requesting that Highways work alongside the Parish Council and the School Traffic Group to ensure that all parties work together.

- (d) **Farnham Road Hedges** – It was agreed that Cllr. Clear should ask Peter Caines to cut back the overgrown hedges on the Farnham Road. Residents are urged to report all highways issues direct via <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems>.

17/191 Millennium Field

- (a) Annual Bonfire and Firework Display – It was agreed that wood for the bonfire could be stored next to the bonfire site as per last year – Cllr. Clear will liaise with members of FOSS re. access.
- (b) Bin Collection – Petersfield Town Council have advised that the bin at the Millennium Field car park is constantly overflowing and suggested that an extra collection may be necessary. It was agreed to request an extra collection in the short term, but to research the cost of installing a new, bigger, bin as a long-term solution.
- (c) Abandoned Vehicle – EHDC managed to track down the owner of the abandoned car and it has now been removed.

17/192 Sheet Allotments – It was agreed that the Chairman and Cllr. Forrest would attend the Allotment Association AGM on 1<sup>st</sup> November.

17/193 Sheet Recreation Ground – The Scout Group have advised that they hope to go ahead with the refurbishment of the Scout Hut over the summer 2018.

17/194 Sheet Common

- (a) Resurfacing of Bridleway – Cllr. Biddlecombe has costed the price for a boardwalk at the very muddy patch of the path as approximately £800 for materials (to include a hand rail). The work has been discussed with, and approved, by the SDNPA rangers and will be carried out by SDNPA volunteers. It was agreed that this work should go ahead, subject to advice from the Insurance Company re. public liability.
- (b) Fly-tipping – On this occasion EHDC agreed to clear the fly-tipping.

17/195 Footpath 27 – Cllr. Clear and the Lengthsman have looked more closely at the condition of the path (which runs from Pulens Lane to Old Mill Lane) and the surface is not as bad as it looks - the path is dry and smooth and there are no potholes. It is therefore proposed to simply spray the path with weed killer. A price of £100 has been quoted by Nick Rook-Blackstone, to include spraying the weeds and nettles at the Millennium Field car park – this course of action was unanimously approved.

17/196 Sheet Village Hall

- (a) Bike Rack – There has been a problem with lifting the log (for use as a bike rack) and getting it to the Village Green – Cllr. Clear will ask Peter Caines if he could help.
- (b) Feedback from the User Group Meeting – A meeting of regular hirers had been held on 25<sup>th</sup> September - their feedback was discussed and the following items agreed:
- Noticeboards - New noticeboards had been requested for the entrance and lobby – It was agreed that quotes should be obtained.
  - Upstairs Meeting Room – Regular hirers said that the upstairs meeting room could be more useable if it was enclosed by a partition wall and door, and curtains provided for the windows for privacy (it was also noted that some of the windows don't open). The stairs would be safer if carpeted. It was agreed that initially Cllr. Glancy should liaise with building control officers at EHDC with respect of the modifications proposed and this will be discussed further at the November meeting.
  - Draught under stage – Cllr. Glancy thought that a cheap carpet could be used to cover the floor boards and stop the draught – this will be followed up when the new flooring is installed and once the S.106 monies are released for the new flooring.
  - Piano – No-one appears to use the Piano which takes up stage space – it was agreed that the Clerk should see if any charitable organisations would like it

- (c) Lion & Unicorn Players – Mr. Eric Parker was present at the meeting to discuss use of the hall by the Players. In the past Lion & Unicorn Players have put on a couple of their smaller productions at the Village Hall but would now like to see if it would be possible to put on a larger show at Sheet in November 2018 – this would involve greater use of the hall for an extra show and dress rehearsals, etc and could mean some disruption for regular hirers (whom Mr. Parker suggested would be compensated). It was suggested that if the show could be scheduled for the October half term this would make it easier to accommodate and it was agreed that Mr. Parker should continue to liaise with Cllr. Glancy, the Clerk and principal users of the hall to see if this could work.

17/197 Remembrance Day - Cllrs. Forrest and Biddlecombe agreed to attend the Service at St. Mary's Church and lay the wreath on behalf of Sheet Parish Council.

17/198 County Councillor Report – The County Councillor's report had been circulated to Councillors and was discussed. (Appendix B)

17/199 District Councillor Report – No report received.

17/200 Correspondence

- HCC – National Highways and Transport – public satisfaction survey – Cllr. Martin is in the process of reviewing the survey.

17/201 Date of next P.C. Meeting – A Parish Council meeting will be held on 31<sup>st</sup> October to discuss planning applications received. The main Parish Council Meeting will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> November. Both meetings will start at 7.30 p.m. and will be held at Sheet Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.