

CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL

THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CRONDALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18th JANUARY 2010 AT 8.15 PM. IN CRONDALL CHURCH ROOMS

Present: Cllrs: Argent, Behagg, Dobby (arrived at 20.18), Dorn, Hebbroon (Vice Chairman), Passmore, Shelford, Sisk, Vincent, Wilkinson, G. Baker (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllrs. Bredin, Payne, District Cllr Bennison.

452/10 APOLOGIES

Apologies for their absence had been received from the above Councillors.

The Chairman welcomed members of the public and Councillors to the meeting.

453/10 APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The meeting proposed for 21st December 2009 had been cancelled due to poor weather conditions and therefore there were no minutes for approval.

454/10 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

As above - no minutes had been issued.

455/10 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK

The Vice Chairman advised that agenda item 8c regarding the Precept could not be dealt with as it was necessary to add capital expenditure items to the figures in order to discuss the Precept and therefore this item would be deferred to the next meeting.

The Clerk advised that the Council had received an invitation from RAF Odiham Station to attend a presentation by the Station Commander on 27th January.

456/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None notified

- Cllr Dobby joined the meeting at 20.18

457/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No applications for Public participation on agenda items had been received.

458/10 DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT.

Cllr Bennison had sent his apologies for his absence and no written report had been received.

459/10 AGENDA ITEMS

a) Election of Chairman

The Vice Chairman (VC) asked for nominations for the position of Chairman.
Cllr Wilkinson proposed Cllr Sisk who agreed to stand for the office of Chairman.
Cllr Shelford seconded Cllr Sisk's nomination.

The VC asked if there were any further nominations - none were proposed. Cllr Passmore asked if the Council could continue with a VC but was advised that the Council must have a Chairman to be constitutionalised.

The VC asked members to vote on the proposal of Cllr Sisk for the position of Chairman: 8 in favour; 1 abstention. 1 against. The VC declared Cllr Sisk elected as Chairman.

b) Declaration of Acceptance of Office by Chairman

Cllr Sisk then read out the Declaration of Office and signed the form which was witnessed by the Clerk. Cllr Shelford offered his congratulations. Cllr Sisk told the meeting he would do his best and be totally fair but asked for the help and advice of other Councillors. The Vice Chairman then handed over chairing of the meeting to Cllr Sisk.

c) Precept 2010

As per VC announcement above this item was to be carried forward to the next meeting.

d) Conservation Area Review – review of draft document for 1st February 2010

Cllr Dorn presented details of the draft review document. Members were asked for comments on the draft document which Cllr Dorn would then incorporate into the document and present for the Council's agreement at the next meeting. The Clerk would ask for an extension to the closing date for the PC's reply after 1st February.

e) Hampshire Minerals & Waste Core Strategy - response required by 29th January 2010 (Appendix 1)

Cllr Shelford had produced a report on the document and had completed the questionnaire. He did not feel the PC was in a position to comment on it and that it did not affect this parish or the neighbourhood.

Cllr Argent proposed that the draft report should be accepted as the PC's response to HCC. Cllr Hebborn seconded; all in favour.

f) Incentivising landowners, Guidance for local authorities - response required by 18th February 2010

Cllr Sisk advised that this is a national consultation exercise on how landowners might be encouraged to release land for affordable housing. The idea is to allow a landowner's family and employees (who meet affordable housing criteria) to be referred by the landowner for houses which would be built on their land and also to allow landowners to retain rights so they might receive ground rent.

As it is a National Consultation, and unless we have a unique contribution to make, the Planning Committee felt that as a Parish Council there is little value in participating in the debate. Subject to members comments the Planning Committee's recommendation was that the PC should not respond.

Cllr Dorn seconded no response; all agreed.

g) Planning Enforcement – Consultation by HDC

The Chairman had produced notes based on South Warnborough PC comments and included Cllr Dorn's comments and proposed acceptance of the report; seconded by Cllr Argent; all in favour.

h) Hampshire Association of Local Councils (HALC) continued Membership of NALC

Cllr Hebbroon advised that the PC had held reservations about membership in the past and having read through paperwork about the recent handling by NALC of the complaints, he was still not impressed. He noted that there were other Councils who support HALC withdrawing from HALC. And suggested the PC support HALC in this.

It was then proposed that the Clerk should write to HALC supporting their endeavours to get better service from NALC and, if the service does not improve, that we support its withdrawal from NALC.

460/10 PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS:

a) Grounds Committee – minutes of the meeting 4th January 2010 (Appendix 2) had been circulated.

Cllr Hebbroon advised that regarding capital requirements for inclusion in the budget it would include a more robust ride-on Mower for use in the churchyard; and a replacement for the Major mower in the belief that by replacing it the PC would cut down maintenance costs.

The Grounds Committee had received a request from the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for a contribution towards replacement gates to the closed part of the churchyard. The Committee did not believe with the current precept problems that a request should be placed for £1000 towards the new gates and recommend the PC should not accept responsibility at the moment.

b) Traffic and Lighting Committee - minutes of the meeting 4th January 2010 (Appendix 3) had been circulated.

Cllr Argent advised that regarding capital expenditure items the Committee would be budgeting for replacement finger posts and other signs; updates to the SID software; the PFI Lighting costs for next year and thereafter and a figure for the provision of salt bins. Cllr Shelford asked how much the PFI Lighting Contract would cost over the next 5 years.

c) Memorial Applications and Burials

The Clerk advised that due to bad weather the interment originally booked for 6th January had been postponed until 21st January.

d) Finance Report to include agreement on Invoices to be paid (Appendix 4).

Acceptance of the Finance Report for January 2010 was proposed by Cllr Sisk; seconded by Cllr Shelford; all in favour. The Finance report was then signed by the Chairman.

461/10 **CORRESPONDENCE (Appendix 5)**

a) Item 7 (and Announcements above) - Invitation to RAF Odiham Station Presentation on "The Future Rotary Wing Strategy". Cllr Shelford felt it was a good event for the PC to be represented at and it was agreed that Cllr Dorn would attend. Clerk to send PC acceptance.

- b) Item 6 - Rushmoor Borough Council Core Strategy and Farnborough Airport Action Plan - Cllr Sisk had reviewed this and the PC had already commented on a previous consultation on the matters. It was agreed that Cllr Vincent would review the documents and provide a report for the next meeting.

462/10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Cllr Passmore asked if the PC could have claimed back the VAT on the contribution towards the Cricket Club pump but this had not been possible as the Cricket Club had been invoiced and had paid for the repair directly.
- b) Cllr Wilkinson advised that Marian Clegg had arranged for the school to be twinned with a village school in France and she is planning for the Head Teacher and pupils to come over in April with the Mayor of the village and would like some Parish Councillors to be involved and attend the buffet supper. Cllr Sisk (also as School Governor) and Cllr Hebborn would attend. Crondall School would appreciate a financial donation.

This part of the meeting closed at 21.04 hrs.

463/10 IN COMMITTEE ITEM

- a) In Committee Deferred Agenda item 9k)
- b) Pursuant of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Chairman requested the Public to leave the meeting during consideration of the agenda item on Division of Parish - Confidential Staff Matters Details of this agenda item have been recorded under a confidential minute.

Signed.....

Dated.....

The meeting closed at 21.48 hrs.

DRAFT RESPONSES
'HAMPSHIRE MINERALS & WASTE CORE STRATEGY' CONSULTATION.

Question 1.

Crandall Parish Council (CPC) has no means of assessing these figures but if those who do concur, then so does CPC

Question 2

CPC would agree thoroughly.

Question 3

CPC is not qualified to give an opinion

Question 4

CPC has no knowledge or experience of wharf capacities or their operation and is therefore unable to comment.

Question 5

As question 4

Question 6

As question 4

Question 7

As question 4

Question 8

CPC would agree that such an update is necessary

Question 9

CPC agrees that such an update would be desirable but is not qualified to recommend how it should be carried out.

Question 10

CPC is not qualified to give an opinion on sand and gravel proposals.

Question 11

As question 4

Question 12

It would seem obvious that contributions should be made towards improvements to infrastructure to mitigate any adverse effects arising from the development.

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APPENDIX 2 - GROUNDS COMMITTEE MINUTES
APPENDIX 3 - TRAFFIC & LIGHTING COMMITTEE MINUTES
APPENDIX 4 FINANCE REPORT
AVAILABLE ON REQUEST AS SEPARATE DOCUMENTS.

APPENDIX 5 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

FOR MEETING 18th JANUARY 2009

Circulation to: Cllrs. Argent, Behagg, Bredin, Dobby, Dorn, Hebborn Passmore, Payne, Shelford, Sisk, Vincent, Wilkinson.

If you wish to retain an item on the list please initial the item removed.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. HDC Community Safety Partnership Report for meeting 12/1/10**
- 2. Campaign to Protect Rural England**
- 3. HCC Rushmoor and Hart Passenger Transport Forum Minutes 1st December 2009**
- 4. Hampshire ALC Update 1/2010**
- 5. HDAPTC Agenda for meeting 12th January 2010 with papers on HALC Consultation concerning NALC Membership**
- 6. Rushmoor Borough Council Rushmoor Plan - Consultation on the Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Farnborough Airport Area Action Plan**
- 7. Invitation to RAF Odiham Station Presentation on “The Future Rotary Wing Strategy”**

JOURNALS

- 8. NONE RECEIVED**

IN COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 12

Parish Split

The Council discussed confidential staffing matters and made decisions about them