

CANDOVERS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Date: Monday 23rd January 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Candover Valley Club

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| Present: | Jonathan Moseley | Chair |
| | Adam Willmott | Vice Chairman |
| | Sam Foote | |
| | Edwina Curtis Hayward | |
| | Wendy Simson | Clerk |
| Apologise: | Paul Gaskell | Borough Councillor |
| | Di Peisley | |
| | Juliet Henderson | County Councillor |
| | PCSO Andrew Jones | |

1473 Declaration of Public Interest

The Chairman declared an interest in the Planning Application due to be considered.

1474 Any additional Agenda Items

No additional agenda items were suggested.

1475 Apologies

Cllr Peisley was not able to attend the meeting, the Councillors accepted her apologies. Cllrs Gaskell and Henderson both sent their apologies as did PCSO Andrew Jones.

1476 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes for the last meeting held on 5th December 2022 were reviewed and agreed by the Council as an accurate record. The Chair signed to confirm they were an accurate record of the meeting.

1477 Matters arising

Amended Financial report – the Clerk circulated the financial report prior to the meeting, the CIL funding has been recorded as a separate line to ensure Councillors are aware of the current balance.

1478 Councillor Update

Borough Councillor Diane Taylor joined the meeting, she explained that Cllr Gaskell was not able to attend as one of the three Borough Councillors looking after the ward, she has agreed to come along.

Cllr Taylor gave a short overview including that she lived in Oakley and supported the villages in the area.

Cllr Taylor explained that the National Planning Framework was being reviewed including the number of new homes required. Basingstoke & Deane have over delivered on new house numbers for some years and in the current year a new development at Manydown was due to deliver 3,500 new homes which would achieve the targeted numbers for the next few years if the over delivery is taken into consideration. An additional area called South Manydown has the potential for an additional 10,000 properties.

Cllr Taylor asked about new developments in the Parish, the Chairman explained that an new homes tended to be windfalls and there were no additional house numbers for the parish in the Local Plan. An agricultural building is currently going through the planning process to convert into 4 new dwellings. Flooding is an issue in the valley and so too many new properties have the potential to increase flood risks.

The new warehouse at J7 of the M3 has been refused at appeal, the new hospital in the same area is still being planned.

Cllr Taylor informed the Council that a number of shops in Basingstoke had closed including John Lewis and Debenhams, there are plans to revitalise the centre of town and the retails offering.

There are currently three hotels in Basingstoke which are housing immigrants, these vary from those who are being resettled in the area and are in the hotels as a first temporary home to those who need to be housed as emergency cases. Central Government funding support covers the costs for these families.

The Chairman asked about renewable energy sources in the region, Cllr Taylor explained that most of the wind turbine projects have been turned down.

The Chairman gave a short overview of the water levels in the valley and the prospect of flooding with properties in Preston Candover pumping water from their cellar in the next few weeks.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Taylor for joining the meeting and she then left the meeting.

1479 Financial update

The Clerk reported that the following payments required authorising at the meeting:

- Clerk's salary (Oct to Dec) - £270
- PAYE (Oct to Dec) – 67.50
- Payment for Lengthsman administration - £550

The Clerk also presented an invoice for the Lengthsman work:

- Ellisfield Parish Council - £1,000

Councillors approved the payments.

The Clerk explained that an invoice for the Lengthsman visits was due in February with the final visits taking place in March. The Clerk would make a claim for the VAT against these invoice once these invoices were received.

No applications have been received for community grants despite the Clerk sending out reminders.

1480 Coronation celebrations

The Clerk had received the following update from HALC about the Coronation in May: The coronation itself will take place at Westminster Abbey on the morning of Saturday 6th May. Sunday 7th May will be the day for a Coronation Concert staged and broadcast live at Windsor Castle and a Coronation Big Lunch will take place on the same day. The Big Lunch is being organised by the Eden Project and downloadable resources will be available from www.coronationbiglunch.com.

The bank holiday on Monday 8th May will be focusing on volunteering and The Big Help Out is aimed at encouraging people to try volunteering in their local area.

Further details can be found using the links below, and we will publish updates in our newsletters/member emails:

<https://www.royal.uk/coronation-weekend-plans-announced>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-64349942>

The Chairman suggested an upstream/downstream cricket match with a Big Tea, this was agreed to be an excellent idea. It was agreed that a tug of war could also be included along with giving a celebration mug to every child under 11 years old.

Action: Chairman to send out an email to the community to ask for feedback.

1481 CVC Update

The Chairman informed the Councillors that work to resurface the road up to the CVC was being planned with a resident quoting for the work. The road is owned by the properties, but the CVC Committee are looking at having work done in the carpark at the same time. The Chairman suggested that once quotes had been received that the Parish Council would be approached about supporting the work financially. The Clerk suggested that Veolia, who collect the CVC waste may be worth approaching for a grant to fund the work.

Action: Clerk to send Chairman a link to the funding paperwork

A 70s night with a live band is planned for Saturday 29th April, the Councillors were encouraged to come along and support.

1482 Flooding

Cllr Foote explained that they were happy to provide sand for the sandbags but that the farm now used a combination of sand types and so may need 48 hours to order an additional bag to fill sandbags if required.

The Chairman agreed to speak to Cllr Gaskell about how quickly Basingstoke & Deane could react to the requirement for sandbags.

Action: Chairman to speak to Cllr Gaskell.

1483 Lengthsman

The Lengthsman was due to visit on 17th January but the ground was too hard to dig out the grips which was the allocated work. The Chairman asked if a tree could be cut up but the Lengthsman didn't have a chainsaw with them. It was agreed that the Chairman would send

through a list of the work to be carried out in advance of the visit to ensure the correct tools were supplied.

As the visit in January was missed the Lengthsman will be a full day on 1st March.

Action: Chairman to send list of work to be carried out in advance of visit.

1484 Planning

One application has been received; it is:

- **T/00537/22/TCA** - 29 Brown Candover Alresford Hampshire SO24 9TR – this Ash Tree has Ash Dieback and it was agreed that permission should be granted for it to be felled.

1485 Website

The Clerk reported that the website is up to date.

1486 General correspondence

The Clerk explained that election paperwork would need to be completed for May and returned to the Basingstoke Office.

1487 Date of next meeting

- Monday 27th March 2023, it was agreed that a 6:30pm.