

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Memorial Hall, Sparsholt on Thursday 15 September 2016

Member:

Cllr Sue Wood (Chairman)	P
Cllr Stewart Wooles (Vice Chairman)	P
Cllr S Annesley	
Cllr Katy Cobbold	P
Cllr John Little	P
Cllr Andrew Osmond	P
Cllr Richard Summerfield	
Cllr Nigel Reid	P
Cllr Pete Chadwick	P

P = present at the meeting

In Attendance:

Mrs J Judge (Clerk), Cllr P Bailey (part), Cllr C Horrill (part)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr S Annesley and Cllr R Summerfield.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillors present declared no interests.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 25 August 2016

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 June were agreed, and duly signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from meeting held on 21 July which are not on the agenda

All actions had been completed

5. Item 5 was taken later in the agenda.

6. Portfolio Reports

Highways

An email had been received expressing concerns about speeding traffic and lack of visible speed checks on the B3049 near the former Rack and Manger pub. This would be referred to the County Councillor who was expected at the meeting later.

Problems with flooding outside the Plough still had not been resolved despite identification of the causes and promises of action. Again this would be referred to Phil Bailey.

The "Give Way" side on the approach to the Stockbridge Road from the Village had disappeared and this too would be referred to Phil Bailey.

Footpaths

Peter Yeates had undertaken some footpath clearance and maintenance.

Playground

Confirmation of a date for replacement rope work to be carried out was awaited. It was highlighted that the catch to the gate was broken. NWR to liaise with Charlotte Chadwick. **Action: NWR**

Sparsholt Memorial Hall

Cllr Summerfield who was unable to attend the meeting had provided a written report as attached. The piano had now been advertised on eBay with any buyer responsible for collection.

Sparsholt School

Cllr Cobbold's written report attached.

Sparsholt Shop

Nothing specific to report

Communication

Nothing specific to report

Security & Transport

A number of shed thefts during the summer were noted

Police Liaison

PSCO Kerry Croutear was unable to attend the meeting as she was away on holiday.

7. Developing a Parish Plan

Cllr Annesley was away and would update at the next meeting

8. To consider a report from the Anaerobic Digester Working Group

The parish council's objection had been submitted and no response received to traffic comments as on the previous occasion.

The Chair was in correspondence with WCC about the appropriateness of the timing of an officer intervention at the planning committee meeting of 21 April 2016.

9. Finance

Current Financial Statement

The statement had been circulated in advance of the meeting and payments PV26 to PV35 were approved for payment.

Budget Update

Councillors reviewed with the Chair noting that the invoice for the traffic consultant had arrived and AD professional expenditure was well within budget.

5. County and City Councillors Reports

County Cllr Phil Bailey joined the meeting at this stage adding that he had been in correspondence with WCC transport team about the highways implications of the proposed anaerobic digester and would be feeding in comments as a County Councillor.

The Highways comments reported earlier in the meeting were passed to Cllr Bailey for action.

City Cllr Caroline Horrill joined the meeting and followed up on residents' concerns about fly tipping explaining that sometimes it was possible to identify the culprits through examination of the waste when it was removed.

Cllr Horrill highlighted

- Local Plan Part 2 was currently being put to bed and was crucial in terms of housing. It was reassuring to report that with Barton Farm back on the agenda there was not a huge shortfall.
- Works were being carried out in the St George's Street area to make it more attractive.
- Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council were completing a traffic assessment in order to form a coherent traffic plan going forward.
- A decision had been made not to appoint to the highest scoring bidder in the Design Competition for Station Approach and the Council was now giving consideration to how the development could be progressed.
- 52 Extra Care Units for the Elderly were being completed in Chesil Street.
- The Chief Executive of Winchester City Council had left and a recruitment campaign had commenced.

10. Planning

Decisions were awaited for the following applications

Date Rec'd	Number	Address	Description	PC Comments
18/07	16/01679/FUL	Sparsholt College	Biomass-based anaerobic digestion plant including: 3 No. digesters (2. No 'primary', 1 No. 'secondary'); 2 No. digestate storage tanks; biomethane upgrading plant; biogas boiler; standby flare stack; weighbridge & marshalling yard; agricultural feedstock storage (silage clamps); biomass pre-treatment hall; 2 No. buffer tanks (liquid substrate & silage effluent storage); digestate separation station; office, electrical and control building; ground works including bunding and reprofiling using excavated materials; surface water storage lagoon; hard surfacing; means of enclosure; landscaping; upgrading and extension of an existing internal road (Garstons Track) with alterations to an existing access to Westley Lane; and an education building (Class D1) for the 'Hampshire Centre for the Demonstration of Environmental Technologies (RESUBMISSION)	Objection Ref WCC website

Update at meeting

Cllr Horrill reported that the application for an anaerobic digestion plant at Sparsholt College would be considered by the Planning Committee on the morning of 13 October.

Four WCC based parishes had objected – Sparsholt, Crawley, Littleton & Harestock and Hursley. Each of the Parish Councils would be able to register and speak at the Planning Meeting. In addition, Test Valley based Stockbridge had objected, but would be unable to speak as a Parish Council. Ahead of the Planning Committee Meeting it was agreed to arrange a date for all five parish councils to meet to discuss how to best utilise the time available to present objections.

City and District Councillors had received an invite from the College a Briefing Event on Monday 3 October focussed on the Hampshire Centre for the Demonstration of Environmental Technologies.

11/07	16/01581/FUL & 16/01582/LIS - Scheme 1 -	Corner Cottage	Demolish existing garage block, poor residential extensions and erect a subservient extension to improve facilities for disability purposes with sanitary facilities at first floor and a new garage block.	Having previously supported the refused applications 16/00065/FUL & 16/00066/LIS for this property the Parish Council agreed at its meeting of 25 August to continue to support the new and revised proposals.
12/07	16/01600/FUL & 16/01601/LIS - Scheme 2		Demolish existing garage block and poor residential extensions and erect a subservient extension to improve facilities for disability purposes with sanitary facilities at first floor and a new garage block. The extension to be thatched to match the existing with a simple clay tile link.	
29/06	16/01465/FUL	Watley Farm Locks Lane	Conversion of an existing portal framed barn to residential use, with the provision of an associated residential curtilage for the proposed dwelling	At its meeting on 25 August 2016 Sparsholt Parish Council agreed to support this application. (note planning committee 15 Sept)

Update at meeting

Cllr Horrill reported that she had attended the planning meeting to consider Watley Farm. The application had been rejected by 5 to 4. However, what the discussion had demonstrated was that there was a lack of clarity about the rules surrounding barn conversions which needed to be resolved.

05/05	16/00990/FUL 16/00991/LIS	Crabwood Farmhouse	Conversion of redundant agricultural building (curtilage listed- Crabwood Farmhouse: Grade II) into a dwelling house (Class C3)	At its meeting on 16th June Sparsholt Parish councillors agreed to support this application but it was paramount that the area marked in red on the site location plan remained garden only and more importantly that the area marked in blue adjacent to the proposed conversion on the north side of Lanham Lane was designated paddock and that this should be a condition of planning approval. It was understood that the two areas would be separated by post and rail fencing and would remain the property of the existing owner on any sale of Crabwood Farmhouse (on the south side of Lanham Lane).
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The following decisions were noted

Date Rec'd	Number	Address	Description	Decision
16/05	16/01081/FUL	20 Woodman Close	2 storey and single storey rear extension with decked area	Application permitted

06/05	16/01001/FUL	Shedding Oaks Cattery	Removal of condition no 3 of planning permission 75/01139/OLD (W1486/1) agricultural occupancy	Application permitted
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