



## DRAFT MINUTES

Hambledon Parish Council  
05 June 2023; 7.30pm; Hambledon Village Hall

### PRESENT:

Cllr Encke (Chair); Cllr Silcock (left the room at 8.06pm; returned at 8.07pm); Cllr Hand; Cllr Dyson (left the room 8.59pm; returned at 9.00pm); & Cllr Quinn (arrived 8.39pm).

### In Attendance:

Mrs Joanna Tester (Clerk); Cllr Lumby (HCC; arrived 8pm; left 8.10pm); Cllr Wallace (WCC; left 8.37pm); Cllr Pearson (WCC; left 7.43pm); & two members of the public.

Meeting started at 7.30pm

Item No.	Item	Discussion & Decision	Action
1994	Acknowledgements	Councillors paused and remembered in silence the contributions of all villagers who have passed away since the last meeting.	
1995	Apologies	Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Quinn, Mason & Lamb.	
1996	Disclosable pecuniary interests	None.	
1997	Requests for dispensations	None received.	
1998	Public questions & comments	<p>Standing orders suspended for maximum 10 mins. Members of the public commented on the Alsoils planning application as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Background info on the business given.</li> <li>• Opinion is that Alsoils does not adhere to any planning conditions. Conditions not enforceable because difficult to separate the farm &amp; Alsoils businesses. Extra material comes onto site via tractors and trailers.</li> <li>• Tonnage at Three Corners is an issue e.g. verge erosion.</li> <li>• How would they be made to comply with conditions?</li> <li>• App says minor, non-material changes. SDNPA already picked up that some are not minor. Aware that there was a letter from agents to SDNPA but this is not on planning website.</li> <li>• If anything granted, should only be temporary, to enable enforcement.</li> <li>• Alsoils are not being open about intensification. No indication of planned import tonnage (only measurable condition that can be used for condition enforcement.)</li> <li>• Changed tack but same approach.</li> </ul>	

1998 cont.	Public questions & comments cont.	<p>Cllr asked if there is documentary evidence of vehicle movements. [Yes: CCTV at Three Corners. Evidence of no sheeting on vehicles to prevent dust; &amp; importing of concrete-rich materials which is prohibited. Statistical analysis will be carried out asap.]</p> <p>Cllr asked if they have concerns about range of materials proposed to import for new app. [Currently, no blending on site. Yes, concerns re compost. All the time the farm and Alsiois share the one location it will be impossible to enforce conditions.]</p> <p>Cllrs discussed the meaning of ‘inert’ materials and commented that compost and manure are unlikely to be such, and likely to cause issues with odour etc.</p>	
1999	Resume standing orders	Agreed.	
2000	District councillor’s report & questions arising	<p>No reports received this month.</p> <p>Further points from Cllr Pearson, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WCC Rural Grants scheme now open. Clerk to send info to Hambledon Connected.</li> <li>• Police and Crime Commissioner speed checks on A272 and A32 are now in place. Owner (not necessarily driver) will be liable.</li> </ul> <p>Further points raised by Cllr Wallace:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small grants now open.</li> <li>• Biodiversity net gain on houses (only applicable when building ten or more houses).</li> </ul>	Clerk
2001	County councillor’s report & questions arising	<p>Report received (Appendix A).</p> <p>Comments to Cllr Lumby as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Silcock has been trying, unsuccessfully, to contact Ian James (HCC; taken over from Andy White). Cllr Lumby advised Cllr Silcock to send another e-mail, copying him in, and he will encourage a response.</li> </ul> <p>[Post-meeting note: Cllr Silcock now has a meeting booked with Ian Janes on 21 June on Speltham Hill.]</p>	Cllr Silcock
2002	Police/PCSO report	No report received.	
2003	Mins of previous meetings (15/05/23)	Agreed as a true record.	

2004	Clerk's progress report	<p><b>Parish Lengthsman Agreement</b> Schedule for 2023/24 now received, as follows:  27/06/23  22/08/23  27/11/23  07/02/24</p> <p>Future work - removal of debris on West St, B2150 (Beech Cottage down to Snowdrop Cottage).  Additional work suggestions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clear vegetation around Milestone.</li> <li>• Fingerposts x2 cleaning at Rushmere.</li> </ul> <p><b>Flooding @ bottom of Bury Lodge Lane</b> - Cllr Lumby has chased on behalf of the PC and HH has confirmed that will revisit the site with the intention to patch the affected area by the junction.</p> <p><b>Reports &amp; Issues - rattling manhole covers.</b> Clerk has asked Cllr Lumby to chase. [HH claimed that covers did not belong to them so handed over to SW. SW carried out a site visit, which the clerk was able to attend, but concluded that the all of the six rattling covers are owned by HH so the work has been passed back once more. On-going.]</p> <p><b>Village maintenance</b> Cllr Hand has passed contact details for a possible contractor to the Clerk. Work brief &amp; footpath map have been sent. Clerk to chase if necessary. Clerk to also speak to Mrs Luard.</p> <p><b>Traffic &amp; Pedestrian Safety WG</b> <b>Speed limit reminder</b> - batteries received. Cllr Silcock &amp; members of TPSWG considering possible placements etc.</p> <p><b>Reports &amp; Issues</b> <b>Large puddle on pavement outside 13 West St/The Cross Tree</b> - Clerk has reported to HH online but no response received to date.</p> <p><b>Footpath 18 resurfacing</b> No progress. PC to decide whether to look for contractor quotes or not.</p> <p><b>Pre-approval of payment of invoice - Ava Recreation Ltd</b>  <b>Damage to grass -VH grounds.</b> Agenda item 2018.</p> <p><b>BASS WG</b> <b>Damage to George House bollard.</b> Clerk has informed PC's insurance company and started the process of making a claim.</p>	
2005	Bank account	<b>Bank balance - £36,256.65 @ 30/05/23</b> (Cllrs have been provided with bank statement 157 (02 May 2023 to 01 June 2023).	Clerk
2006	Annual Governance Statement 2022/23	<b>Resolved:</b> that the PC has completed and approved the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year 2022/23.	
2007	Accounting Statements 2022/23	<b>Resolved:</b> that the PC has approved the Accounting Statements for the financial year 2022/23.	
2008	Annual Internal Audit Report 2022/23	<b>Resolved:</b> that the PC has received and approved the Annual Internal Audit Report for the financial year 2022/23, and acknowledges and recommendations made within that report.	

2009	Conflict of Interest with BDO LLP Form	<b>Resolved:</b> that the PC has approved the form confirming that it has no conflict of interest with BDO LLP (external auditor).	
2010	Payment of accounts	<p>Mrs J C Tester <b>Clerk's salary (May 2023)</b> £872.79</p> <p>NEST <b>Clerk's pension (May 2023)</b> £69.94</p> <p>Hambledon VH <b>Hall hire (May 2023)</b> £70.75</p> <p>Mrs J C Tester <b>Wine for APM</b> £20.97</p> <p>Mr Murray Alexander Mahon &amp; Mrs Penny A Mahon <b>Glasses for Green Fayre</b> £39.96</p> <p>Biffa Waste Services Ltd £56.46</p> <p>HMRC <b>NI/tax to end of Mar 2023</b> £46.04</p> <p>Do the Numbers Ltd <b>Internal audit y/e 31/03/23</b> £270.00</p> <p>The Hambledonian <b>Coronation publications</b> £200.00</p> <p>Alfie Goodwin-Hudson <b>Tennis coaching (May 2023)</b> £60.00</p> <p>Moritz Flohr <b>Tennis coaching (May 2023)</b> £80.00</p>	Clerk
2011	Planning applications	<p>This item was moved to after 2001 so that comments made by members of the public would be fresh in cllrs' minds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SDNP/23/02143/FUL - The Lambing Yard Church Lane Hambledon Hampshire PO7 4RT. Retention of existing soil recycling facility to import, store, screen blend and transfer inert soils and to import and store bark, sand, manure and compost for the purpose of recovering and recycling soils.</li> </ul> <p>Cllr Silcock read out the correspondence received from Cllr Quinn (Chair of Planning Committee) giving a brief &amp; his opinion on the new application.</p> <p>Cllrs held a detailed discussion; main points as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wrong operation in wrong place.</li> <li>• Previous planning conditions have not been followed.</li> <li>• Material changes should give cause from concern esp. manure.</li> <li>• Not of any benefit to the village.</li> <li>• Other sites are available in Hampshire which have better road links &amp; do not impact on small villages like Hambledon.</li> <li>• Previous (withdrawn) planning app stated that the business needed to double the size of its operation in order to be sustainable. Since this is not the case in the current app, cllrs assume that the business will not be sustainable.</li> <li>• Need to ask for it to be called in to Committee, preferably SDNPA.</li> <li>• Reasons for objection need to be rooted in SDNPA National Plan &amp;/or VDS.</li> <li>• PC comments could also draw attention data on vehicle movements &amp; size etc collated and analysed by members of the public.</li> </ul> <p><b>OBJECTION. Cllrs voted 4 object; 1 abstain]</b>  <b>The PC confirmed that it would delegate crafting of objection to Cllrs Quinn &amp; Silcock.</b></p>	Cllrs Quinn/Silcock
2012	Planning apps received after 30/05/23	None received.	
2013	Planning decisions	Noted.	

2014	BASS WG	<p>No report received.</p> <p>Cllr Silcock confirmed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper meeting of the new merged WG has now taken place.</li> <li>• Cllr Silcock needs to put down on paper in visual form.</li> <li>• HG reps were in attendance.</li> <li>• Difficulty getting through to HCC re issue on Speltham Hill. Cllr Lumby to assist with chasing.</li> <li>• Clerk to speak to Cllrs Wallace and Lee re lack of any progress with landscaping at the front of The Gardens.</li> </ul> <p>[Post-meeting note: Cllr Silcock now has a meeting booked with Ian Janes on 21 June on Speltham Hill.]</p>	Clerk
2015	Tennis WG	No report received.	
2016	Play & Playgrounds Re-vamp WG	No report received.	
2017	Play equipment maintenance	<p><b>Resolved:</b> that the PC accepts the quote of £630.00 (dated 30/05/23) from Kevin Bentley for the re-painting of the ball wall, junior swings and basketball post at the Village Hall.</p> <p>Clerk to check whether it is possible to re-paint the lines on the tarmac.</p>	Clerk
2018	Grass damage at Hambledon VH	<p><b>Resolved:</b> that the PC organises the ‘scarifying’, top dressing and over-seeding of the damaged grass on the VH green area.</p> <p>Actions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fix time with S. Luard.</li> <li>• Ask VH re use of water.</li> <li>• Notes to stay off grass</li> <li>• Ensure that fencing around play-park is properly secured (may need to contact Ava Recreation).</li> <li>• Cllr Dyson to supply grass seed.</li> </ul>	Clerk
2019	Hambledon Greening WG	Report received (see Appendix B).	
2020	Annual Meeting of the Parish	<p><b>Resolved:</b> that the PC has reviewed the Annual Meeting of the Parish, held 23 May 2023, and notes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk, Cllrs Quinn &amp; Lamb, &amp; representative of HG to meet and form PC response to SDNPA’s Open Spaces and Parish Priority Statement Consultation.</li> </ul>	Clerk
2021	Reports & Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two new WCC Community Grant Schemes are due to open 01/06/23: District Small Grants (up to £1k); and Project Grants (up to £5k).</li> <li>• Concerns have been raised by a few residents regarding Hambledon GP Surgery being ‘closed until further notice’.</li> <li>• Criminal damage to play equipment at VH - unfortunately, case cannot be taken further as there is not sufficient evidence to progress to prosecution.</li> <li>• Donation towards the SG play area has been received from Mrs Hillebrandt in memory of Gordon Mingaye. Formal thanks to be conveyed.</li> </ul>	Clerk

2022	Date/time of next meeting	• Mon 3rd July 2023 at Hambledon VH (Main Hall); 7.30pm	
2023	Confidential matters	No members of the public were in attendance and no confidential matters were discussed.	

**The meeting closed at 9.32pm**

**Signed:**

**Cllr Encke (Chair)**

**Dated:**

**Signed:**

**Joanna Tester (Clerk)**

**Dated:**

## APPENDIX A

## HCC Cllr Lumby Report June 2023

- 1. Parish Forum on Motorbike Noise and Nuisance** Following the installation of the average speed cameras on the A32 and the A272 and the increased police operations in the wider area, Hampshire County Council is holding a forum with the police and local MPs for parishes on motorbike noise and nuisance. This will take place via Teams at 3pm on Friday 14th July. All parishes within the Meon Valley Division are invited to attend. If you would like to attend, please let me know and I will forward the Teams link.
- 2. Cost of living support** Hampshire County Council has announced plans for how £14.2million of additional funding will be used to help local households struggling with the cost of food and energy prices. The funding is an extension of Government's Household Support Fund (HSF) until the end of March 2024. They will continue to work closely with other local organisations including district and borough councils, education settings, charities and neighbourhood groups to ensure that eligible households receive support with food, energy and water bills and assistance with essential household items. This includes up to £200,000 of funding to provide locally-based food and energy advice services, alongside practical help with costs. The funding allocation includes:
  - £800,000 to support the community pantry network and £361,000 for organisations supporting unpaid carers
  - £800,000 in community grants for locally based organisations to support local residents
  - £4,442,870 to district and borough councils to provide food vouchers and support with exceptional housing costs
  - £2,845,622 to schools and other educational establishments to offer support at their own discretion to families most in need
  - £460,000 in direct fuel support to vulnerable adults
  - £715,000 in food vouchers to foster carers and connected carers
 Details of how to seek support can be found at the connect4communities website [https:// www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities](https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities)
- 3. Greening campaigns** More communities across Hampshire can be empowered to take positive action on climate change over the next three years, thanks to almost £0.5million of National Lottery funding awarded to the Greening Campaign, with support from Hampshire County Council. This could include improving the energy efficiency of people's homes, reducing CO2, reducing waste, reusing and repairing, being more sustainable through locally grown produce, and providing green spaces for wildlife to thrive. The Greening Campaign is a structured process, guiding communities to act on climate change and biodiversity locally. Guidance, based on experience gained from working with over 200 other groups across the UK, provides a blueprint for success for each step of the way, starting with motivating people in the community to get involved, through to making it fun and rewarding. Locally, we have seen a successful campaign in Hambledon. Two events are being held for those wanting to know more - on 12th June in Winchester and on 15th June in Petersfield, both at 6.30pm. Information or booking can be found at <https://greening-campaign.org/events/>
- 4. New support for buses** Operators of nine bus routes have secured funding totalling £3.5m from Hampshire County Council, including protecting services in Alresford, Petersfield and Winchester for the next four years. Buses locally are under pressure with bus passenger numbers locally and nationally still below pre-pandemic levels. This is making it more challenging for the operators to deliver viable services, especially when coupled with increased operating costs and driver shortages. I continue to engage with the council on some local changes locally and can how these can be more joined up. The Government has extended the £2 bus fare cap to the end of October 2023, rising to just £2.50 until November 2024, so this is very much an affordable way to travel when services are available and the timetables work.
- 5. Rural verge cutting** Hampshire Highways have now begun their seasonal grass cutting programme. This can be an emotive subject to many, especially in the nesting season. The department work closely with the conservation charity, Plantlife UK, to ensure that their work promotes biodiversity; in particular, they try to

avoid cutting grass at ecologically important times, and particularly at sensitive sites. For safety reasons however, there are some locations where roadside grass still needs to be mown in order to maintain adequate visibility and sight lines, for example on the approaches to roundabouts or at junctions. More information can be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/grasscutting>

6. **Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan consultation** The consultation on the update to the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan closed at the end of January this year. The summary report on the responses can be seen at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/strategic-planning/hampshire-minerals-wasteplan/minerals-waste-plan-partial-update-consultation>. These responses are being considered and the next stage is for the Minerals and Waste Authority to publish a response.

**Councillor Hugh Lumby, Meon Valley Division**  
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## **APPENDIX B Hambleton Greening Working Group: Monday Apr 3rd 2023**

### **Repair Café:**

- We had another very successful Repair Café in Hambleton on March 18<sup>th</sup>. The cycle workshop didn't have any takers but the bike repairers had plenty of work!

### **Recycling:**

- The Biffa bin for recycling hard plastics should be arriving this month and will be sited in the Village Hall premises near the existing bins. We have begun to advertise it and will continue to monitor its usage.
- We are very grateful to the Parish Clerk for her invaluable help in arranging the details of this.

### **Mayor of Winchester Community Award:**

- I was very happy to accept this award at Winchester Guildhall on March 14<sup>th</sup> on behalf of the Hambleton Greening group. We thank Councillor Malcolm Wallace for his nomination and support.

### **Greening flyers:**

- This month's Hambletonian will include an insert for HGC, advertising upcoming events like the repair café, recycling and the Greening Festival on May 13<sup>th</sup>. It was felt that a flyer which could be displayed in front windows might give an extra fillip to the campaign and familiarise new residents with our aims.

### **Greening Campaign initiative:**

- The Greening Campaign initiative, mentioned in last month's report, is still ongoing but it has been agreed with Terena that a later date for the first meeting in the village is better, possibly June or July.
- We will be discussing next steps at our meeting later this week and will report back to the PC.

### **Greening Festival, Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm:**

- Plans for this exciting event in collaboration with Hambleton Eco-Church are building well with a large range of local organisations coming along to support us including the Woodland Trust, the Sustainability Centre, HIWWT, WinACC and Winchester Food Partnership. We will have some local food producers as well including Hambleton Vineyard, Chalk Stream Trout and Toat's Mylk.
- Advertising for the event is also building within the village and across the county so we hope for a good turnout and of course good weather!

We are grateful as always for the support of the Parish Council.

Dr Penny Mahon (secretary of HGC)