



DRAFT MINUTES

Hambledon Parish Council
01 July 2024; 7.30pm; Hambledon Village Hall

PRESENT:

Cllr Encke (Chair); Cllr Silcock; Cllr Lamb (left the room at 8.22pm; returned 8.25pm); & Cllr Clarke.

In Attendance:

Mrs Joanna Tester (Clerk); Cllr Lee (WCC; left 7.48pm); Cllr White (WCC; left 7.48pm); & Cllr Wallace (WCC & HCC; arrived 8.33pm; left 9.29pm).

Meeting started at 7.30pm

Item No.	Item	Discussion & Decision	Action
2373	Acknowledgements	Councillors paused and remembered in silence the contributions of all villagers who have passed away since the last meeting.	
2374	Apologies	Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Hand. Apologies received from PCSO Steph Wheeler-Osman; & for arriving late to the meeting from Cllr Wallace (WCC & HCC).	
2375	Disclosable pecuniary interests	Cllr Clarke declared an interest in item 2387, relating to SDNP/24/02281/FUL, and will therefore not comment or vote on this planning application.	
2376	Requests for dispensations	None received.	
2377	Public questions & comments	Standing orders suspended for maximum 10 mins. There were no members of the public in attendance.	
2378	Resume standing orders	Agreed.	
2379	District councillor's report & questions arising	Report received (Appendix A). Additional points raised as follows: - Hampshire Water Transfer & Water Recycling Project - Havant to Otterbourne; to start 2029; outside of SDNP; won't affect Hambledon; potential for joined-up thinking (e.g. broadband; cycling/walking routes). Link available on website for MoP to comment. HPC asked what the biodiversity net gain requirement is. [10%] - Cultural Strategy - meeting last week.	

2380	County councillor's report & questions arising	Report received (Appendix B). • Southern Water - Chris Janes has been replaced but very recently. Cllr Wallace to find out who this is & attempt to make contact. Cllr Clarke to ask his SW contact for assistance. • Hampshire Flood & Water Management Team has been asked to chase HH re issue of BP silting up. Regarding ditches - EA is responsible for ditches south of the BP. Will chase re concerns over corrosion of ditch banks. • Alsoils - Re new application: decision is in the balance. Currently resting on landscape tranquility. Concerns regarding proposed size of the operation. To be called into SDNPA committee in September. PC reps to attend. Cllr Clarke advised that villagers need to record vehicles using High St/Church Lane for access to/from Alsoils over a period of 'x' no months (with details of date/time/reg plate etc) & send data to SDNP Planning. This evidence should allow them to enforce planning conditions.	Cllr Clarke
2381	Mins of previous meetings (03/06/24)	Agreed as a true record.	
2382	Clerk's progress report	Parish Lengthsman Agreement schedule for 2024/25 confirmed as 04/07/24; 08/11/24; & 06/02/25. Flooding @ bottom of Bury Lodge Lane no update. Large puddle on pavement outside 13 West St/The Cross Tree HH reported back 'no maintenance work required'. No update. WCC work at The Gardens work has been completed. Awaiting road name sign from JK Engineering. Southern Water issues meeting took place 26/04/24. Draft report sent 01/05/24 to councillors and SW attendees. No response from SW. Chased 29/05/24. No response. Chased 27/06/24. Flooding on road near Kings Rest reported to HH 13/10/23. Response 'could not locate defect'. Likely that they visited when there was no road flooding but didn't look into the cause of previous flooding. Suggest wait for next flooding, take photos & re-submit. Damaged bollards at East St pinch-point reported to HH online 06/11/23; enquiry reference number 21698987. Apparently, 'works completed' in Nov 2023. However, the solution appeared to be traffic cones which is not a satisfactory long-term solution. Recently, two of the three bollards have been replaced with narrow, non-reflective posts. Clerk has asked Cllr Wallace (HCC) to investigate whether these are supposed to be a permanent solution & if the third bollard is to be replaced. Two more bollards (on opposite pinch-point) have been run into and damaged. Reported online to HH. Cllr Wallace asked to chase. Remembrance Sunday TS Tenacity has confirmed not available. Jan Zawada has not been able to find a bugler so far. Cllr Clarke may have a contact. To chase.	Cllr Clarke

2382 cont.	Clerk's progress report cont.	Big Pipe outlet ditch: - E-mail sent to HH (via Cllr Lumby) re condition of ditch banks. Paula Edwards advised that Geotech team have already conducted site visit; report to be provided to PC idc. Chased 29/05/24. Blocked gullies opposite OFTR reported to HH online (build-up of debris inhibiting drainage of water spilling out of SW manhole covers). Response was that the issue was SW's and had been passed on. Useful/Emergency Info Leaflets WCC Small Grant fund awarded £150. Clerk to take forward when time allows. SDNPA CIL Funding CiL application submitted. Outcome not expected until autumn 2024 earliest. Annual playground inspection report copy sent to JH Tree Services. Has been agreed that the following work is outside of the scope of the contract and will be charged for separately: - Replacement of bow-top fence post caps- time to complete 0.5hrs; materials £12. - Shorten gate drop bolt - time to complete 1hr; materials £40. - Basketball post corrosion to be removed & repainted - time to complete 1.5hrs; materials £20. [Total £154.50] Auto Speedwatch device Hambledon Speedwatch data (from inception) has been requested from Group. Awaiting response. Hambledon Walks Booklet advice has been requested from Derrick Whapshott re demand for hard-copy booklets; & indication of whether Walking Group would be able to help with walking the routes and checking that existing info (on PC website) is still accurate. Awaiting response.	
2383	Q1 2024/25 Financial Report & Statements	Resolved: that the PC approves the Q1 2024/25 Financial Report & Statements.	
2384	Delegation Arrangements for August 2024	Resolved: that the PC has approved the following delegation arrangements for the payment of accounts over the summer, and responding to planning consultations, with deadlines before the Sept 2024 PC meeting: - Pre-approval of payment to Ava Recreation of £25k + VAT for SG play area, following a post-installation inspection 'pass', and satisfactory checks by the Clerk. - All other payments - to be approved by the Chair & Clerk, under delegations stated in the PC's standing orders. - Planning - consultation to be conducted via e-mail; comments to be drawn up by Planning Committee members (Cllrs Clarke & Silcock) & submitted by the Clerk. Any applications considered potentially 'contentious', or where other PC members do not agree to the comments recommended by the Planning Committee, will require discussion at an extraordinary PC meeting, unless the Planning Case Officer is able to grant an extension to beyond the date of the Sept PC meeting.	
2385	Bank account	Bank balance @ 30/06/24 - £72,724.04 (Cllrs have been provided with bank statement 173, 02 June 2024 to 01 July 2024.)	

2386	Payment of accounts	Mrs J C Tester Clerk salary (June 2024) £923.50 NEST Clerk pension (June 2024) £75.14 Hambledon Village Hall Hall hire (June 2024) £32.50 Biffa Waste Services Ltd Hard plastics recycling bin @ VH June 2024 £62.28 JH Tree Services Hampshire Ltd Village maintenance June 2024 £375.00 JH Tree Services Hampshire Ltd Additional maintenance VH play area June 2024 £154.50 ICO Registration 2024 £35.00 Richard Salter Solent Overlord D-Day 80 gun firing £120.00 Murray Mahon HG printer cartridges £60.38 Defib Store Replacement pads for de-fib £67.20 HMRC Clerk's NI/tax Q1 2024/25 (tbc) £97.68 Alfie Goodwin-Hudson Tennis Coaching (June 2024) £60.00 Moritz Flohr Tennis Coaching (June 2024) £100.00 <u>The following payments are in addition to those noted on the agenda:</u> K Knight Engineering Part payment for remaining street signs (suitable invoice must be provided) £1000.00 Murray Mahon/Hambledon History Group Balance of D-Day commemorations events loss (£234.78) less £120 payment for Richard salter (gun firing) £114.78	Clerk
2387	Planning applications	• SDNP/24/02281/FUL - Habens Stables, Habens Lane, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4AD. Change of use of existing stables [equestrian] to a cattery [Sui Generis]. [NO COMMENT.] • SDNP/24/02312/FUL & SDNP/24/02313/LIS - Bat And Ball, Hyden Farm Lane, Clanfield, Hampshire, PO8 0UB. Glazed pergola, timber pavilion, Indian sandstone paving and timber decking. [OBJECTION - in the absence of both a Landscape Impact Plan & details of elevations of the proposed pergola, the PC is unable to make a fully informed decision and must therefore submit an objection.] • SDNP/24/02254/TCA - Harwood House, Hambledon Road, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4QN. A1 - Removal of Ash tree suffering from Ash dieback. A2 - Removal of Ash tree suffering from Ash dieback. L1 - Thinning out and reducing height by 2 metres of multi-stemmed Laurel Bush. P1 - Reducing crown by 5 metres of Poplar tree decayed at base to extend its life. [NO COMMENT.]	Clerk
2388	Planning apps received after 25/06/24	None received.	
2389	Planning decisions	Noted.	
2390	BASS WG	No report received & no comments made.	
2391	Tennis WG	No report received this month. Clerk advised that no volunteers have yet come forward to take on the running of the court.	

2392	Tennis court notice board	Resolved: that the PC has considered the options for replacement of the tennis court notice board and Cllr Clarke will organise foc.	Cllr Clarke
2393	Tennis court management	Resolved: that the PC has discussed management of the tennis court going forward, to include obligations regarding a replacement welfare officer, and will act as follows: • Clerk to speak to FL regarding his position as current tennis organiser & welfare officer. If resignation is immediate, tennis lessons will have to stop until a replacement can be found and DBS checks/welfare officer training conducted. (Chair to include this in PC's Hambledonian report; Clerk to gain access to Tennis E-mail distribution list to message users directly.) If FL can remain over the summer months, lessons can continue & further requests sent out to Village asking for a replacement.	Clerk Cllr Encke
2394	FAG WG	No report received.	
2395	Play & Playgrounds Re-vamp WG	Stewarts Green play equipment - no further updates. Contractor still planning to start work w/c 15/07/24.	
2396	Hambledon Greening WG	Report received (Appendix C).	
2397	Reports & Issues	• Closing date for the Winchester District Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) consultation is now 11:59pm on the 14th July 2024.	
2398	Date/time of next meeting	• Mon 2nd Sept 2024 at Hambledon VH; 7.30pm.	
2399	Confidential matters	No members of the public were in attendance.	
2400	Co-option of PC Members	Resolved: that councillors have considered applications received for the vacant positions on the PC and agree on the co-option of Verina Daly. Clerk to arrange necessary paperwork & inform WCC. A second application was received but not proposed. Applicant to be informed.	Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.36pm

Signed:

Cllr Encke (Chair)

Dated:

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Signed:

Joanna Tester (Clerk)

Dated:

Winchester City Councillor Report July 2024

Cllr Malcolm Wallace (mwallace@winchester.gov.uk)

Cllr Danny Lee (dlee@winchester.gov.uk)

Cllr Suzanne White (SWhite3@winchester.gov.uk)

Winchester City Council decision on Waste and Recycling collection vehicles

The government requires all councils to introduce a food waste kerbside collection by 31st March 2026. Winchester City Council have agreed to procure, through their contractor Biffa, nine 12-tonne food waste vehicles operated with a new low pollution and low carbon emission Hydro-treated Vegetable Oil fuel. One electric vehicle will be purchased as part of the new food collection service to trial the feasibility of a full electric service. New housing with a need for improved route efficiencies will also see new routes introduced from autumn 2024.

Support for creative businesses in the Meon Valley

We are working with a creative business consultant, Wendy Wyatt, who is helping Winchester City Council deliver the cultural strategy. She would like to provide more opportunities across the district to:

- help educational settings at secondary school level and higher education to develop guidance for young people about local creative career paths in the Winchester district
- inform local creative businesses/freelancers about events/talks that are going on in Winchester and across the district
- facilitate collaboration between creatives to share resources/ideas and create potential hubs
- identify local 'creative champions' as a point of contact for this work. We intend to approach Swanmore College careers department to explore how they might engage with Wendy on developing links with higher education in Winchester and provide guidance on creative careers. We are collating a list of creative businesses in our Central Meon Valley ward with a view to making links with Wendy and, in the first instance, asking whether they would like to be included on a potential mailing list to be informed of art/culture/creativity events currently going on. These businesses could include craft makers, graphic designers, artists, performance artists and architects. Please let us know of any of these in your parish that we could add to the list.

Ongoing consultations: Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)

<https://winchester-district-focus-lcwip-hampshireonline.hub.arcgis.com/> continues until 14th July 2024 (note change of date to allow more time for completion).

Creativity and Culture across Winchester District consultation

Winchester City Council would like to understand what residents in Winchester think about creativity and culture across the district. What do those words mean to you, what activities do you take part in and how do you enjoy spending your time? <https://winchester.citizenspace.com/> There's a short survey to complete that will help inform Winchester's cultural strategy. Continues until 31st December 2024.

Grants 'Green Business Grant scheme' - closes 5th July

Local businesses looking to become more sustainable can now apply for a grant of £5,000 to £10,000 from Winchester City Council. The Green Business Grant scheme provides funding to help businesses in the district reduce their carbon emissions and save money on bills by financing projects such as installing energy-saving measures and company electric bike schemes. winchester.gov.uk/business/support-for-sustainable-businesses.

Winchester District small grant scheme

Designed to provide small-scale, one-off grants of **up to £1,000** to local voluntary/not for profit groups and organisations. The funding is aimed at activities which require one-off expenditure or initial set up/pump priming costs. The grants are available for one-off pieces of expenditure on projects, equipment and other items which will help your organisation to do more, to reach more people, to provide better services or to try something different. Examples of eligible costs include new or start-up equipment, set up costs for new groups, special events and activities. See here for more details, such as eligibility criteria: winchester.gov.uk/grants-for-not-for-profit-organisations/small-grant-scheme

Up-coming councillor surgeries

Swanmore- 12th July 10-11.30 a.m. at Swanmore Parish Council room Waltham Chase - 17th July pm - Venue and time to be confirmed Soberton, Droxford and Hambledon - dates to be confirmed for September/October.

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Hampshire County Councillor Report July 2024 Cllr Malcolm Wallace (malcolm.wallace@hants.gov.uk)

Grant Opportunities

Several grant opportunities have just re-opened:

- [Leader's Community Grants](#)
 - The purpose of the scheme is to fund one-off, time limited projects which provide community benefit and help local communities thrive; and help local organisations become financially self-supporting and not reliant on public sector funding.
 - Applications can be made for over £1,000 up to a maximum of £25,000 and may be for activity costs, a specific project and/or capital costs.
 - Scheme is NOT open to parish/town councils or commercial organisations
- [Rural Communities Fund](#)
 - The Fund provides support under the following four areas:
 - Climate Change Resilience (to include Flood Alleviation)
 - Countryside

- Rural Economy and Business (to include Rural Retailers)
 - Other – we are keen to support other projects or initiatives that will help build community resilience and/or encourage self-help in rural areas
- Typically fund up to a maximum of £5,000 as part of a match-funded scheme
- [Parish and Town Council Investment Fund](#)
 - The priority of this fund is to support partnerships between local communities and the County Council. It will provide pump priming investments to pilot new schemes which respond to local needs and the growing pressure on County Council Services.
 - There are three primary areas available for investments:
 - Capital Funding: £1,000 to £30,000 for schemes which enhance existing or provide new infrastructure and equipment to support a local community, including energy efficiency grants
 - Meeting local needs: Usually for investments of £1,000 to £30,000 in schemes that enable local communities to be more resilient. For example, schemes which encourage ‘neighbourliness’ in tackling social isolation or in the management of community assets.
 - Training: Investments up to £10,000 provide appropriate training in the local community.
- [County Councillor Grants](#)
 - Groups and organisations can apply for funding for both revenue (one-off) and minor capital projects. Revenue grants should generally be used to support short term project related costs.
 - It is expected that the grants will benefit a wide range of groups/activities: for example, vulnerable children or adults, young people, facilities for older people, community facilities, parish councils (but only for specific projects), schools’ minor traffic or safety works, local environment projects, and community safety.
 - The 2023/24 County Councillor grant scheme is open until 29 February 2024.

More details about each of these grants is available on the County Council website.

Give the Gift of a Loving Home to a Child in Need

Can you give a home to a vulnerable child? That’s the question Hampshire County Council’s Fostering Service is putting to local residents this summer in its new campaign to find more loving homes for children in care.

A child comes into foster care every 12 hours in Hampshire, leading to an ongoing need across the county for more foster carers.

Anyone aged over 21 and from all walks of life can become a foster carer. The only requirement is a spare room – and of course, plenty of patience, resilience, open-mindedness and positivity. There are many different types of arrangements available, from full-time fostering to more flexible options that fit around home and work-life commitments.

More information is available online: [Give the gift of a loving home to a child in need](#)

Let’s Show Domestic Abuse the Red Card

Hampshire County Council is reminding everyone that there is help available for anyone who may be subjected to domestic abuse and for those needing support to reduce their abusive behaviours. Making a single phone call could make all the difference to someone’s safety and wellbeing.

More information is available online: [Let’s show domestic abuse the red card](#)

Free Activities and Food for Children this Summer!

Hampshire County Council is reminding families to sign up now to avoid missing out on the many Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) schemes on offer during the school summer holiday (24 July to 30 August 2024).

There is a wide range of fun and interesting crafts, sports and outdoor activities for all ages to choose from, which also include a nutritious meal. Free spaces are available for children who receive benefits-related free school meals and vulnerable children who may benefit from the programme. Many schemes also have paid-for places available.

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme makes free places available to eligible children for the equivalent of at least four hours a day, four days a week and for six weeks a year. This covers four weeks in the summer and a week’s worth of activities in the Easter and Christmas holidays.

Parents and carers who want to find out what is on offer locally can search the [Family Information and Services Hub](#) and then [register online](#) to be able to book a space.

Southern Water Hampshire Water Transfer & Recycling Project

Limits on the amount of water that can be taken from our chalk streams, coupled with our growing population and changing climate, means that a new source of water is needed to supply homes and businesses in Hampshire. Southern Water's proposal is to tap into treated wastewater and use advanced treatment techniques to turn it into purified recycled water. The project includes running a water transfer pipeline from Havant to Otterbourne, passing through the Meon Valley.

A consultation on the project is open until 23 July 2024 when Southern Water are seeking feedback from community members on the following aspects of the Project:

- The Project overall
- The proposed pipeline routes
- The proposed water recycling plant and associated pumping stations
- The proposed sites for the above ground plant along the pipeline route
- The process we have undertaken to develop the Project up to this consultation
- The preliminary environmental and other impacts of the Project and initial proposals for mitigation.

For more information and to contribute, go to: [Hampshire Water Transfer and Water Recycling Project](#)

Decisions on Future Services Delayed

Following the announcement that a General Election will be held on 4 July 2024, decisions on the Future Services Consultation (tip closures, road investment, etc.) have been postponed until the autumn.

A public consultation was held between January and March this year, which invited people's views on 13 proposals to reduce and change some local services to help the County Council deliver savings towards the £132 million recurring budget gap faced from April 2025. Final decisions on the proposals were due to be made by the County Council's Cabinet this summer. However, with a General Election also now due this summer, the County Council has concluded that any decisions and communications activity in relation to the outcome of the Future Services Consultation should be avoided under pre-election rules. The Select Committee meetings that were due to take place next month have therefore been rescheduled to September and final decisions are scheduled to be taken by the County Council's Cabinet in October.

[Future Services – changes to planned decision-making dates | Hampshire County Council](#)

Have Your Say on Local Cycling and Walking Plans

The Winchester District Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) sets out the ambition for investment in walking and cycling in the Winchester District over the next 5-10 years. The draft is out for consultation until 14 July. Please give your feedback by completing two short surveys and adding your comments to the map at: [Winchester District Focus LCWIP](#)

Note: This is important as the finalised LCWIP will be used to identify priorities for investment in cycling and walking in the future. The draft LCWIP is [here](#), and includes sections on:

- Pages 59-67 – Whiteley Core Walking Zone
- Pages 87-96 – Cycle Route from Hockley to Wickham (via BW, Waltham Chase etc.)
- Pages 97-101 – Cycle Route from Botley to Whiteley

So, please get your comments in!

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HAMBLETON GREENING WG REPORT JULY 2024 Dr Penny Mahon (Secretary of Hambledon Greening Campaign)

Repair Café and Recycling:

- The next Repair Café and Recycling will be held in Hambledon Church on July 20th 2024, from 10-12pm. Knife-sharpening will be available! There will be no Repair Café in August.

Retrofit:

- The second of three events in The Vine took place on Wednesday June 19th where 4 EV owners came along to talk to villagers about the pros and cons of owning an EV. Numbers were small so the decision was taken to have a round table discussion of the 12 attendees instead of the usual 'speed-dating' format. This proved extremely interesting since there were 4 different types of vehicle represented (hybrid, EV van, Tesla and Leaf) and all felt they had learnt something useful from the discussion.
- The last event will focus on solar panels and will take place on Wednesday Sept 25th.

- Imogen Hart of WinACC came to our last meeting and we discussed the possibility of another retrofit surgery for historic homes after the success of the one run in March. Imogen will look into possible speakers and get back to us.

Biodiversity:

- Sue has made contact with Debbie Lockett, in charge of community outreach at Hants Veg Box, which is now running some of its business from Rushmere Farm. Debbie is keen to liaise with HGC and we hope for some shared activities in the future. HVB will now contribute the regular vegetarian/vegan recipe to the Hambledonian instead of HGC members.
- Thanks to Jo Tester for getting hold of 4 packets of wildflower seeds from Parish Pollinators which need to be distributed to interested parties. PM has written to BASS to see if they would be interested in some of the seeds for village verges. One packet will be used in the churchyard. We could also decant seeds into small packets for prizes at the Summer Show and Greening Fair.
- Hambledon is now a member of HCC's Parish Pollinators. It seems we had not been put on the original list but are now!
- Paul Quinn came to our recent meeting to discuss the use of the North Glebeland as a community space. He has asked HGC, as one of several stakeholders, to prepare a report on how HGC sees the space being used from biodiversity and other possible perspectives.

WeCAN event:

- Penny will go to the WeCAN celebration event on 11th July in Winchester to share our experiences with other eco groups.

We are grateful as always for your support.