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SOBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Soberton Parish Council Actions Committee
held on 21st June 2022

PRESENT: Mr D Cleeve (Chairman), Mr J Hyland, Mr S Marland, Mr J Sherwill.

In Attendance: Mrs Liz Manship, Acting Clerk
Mr Gary McCulloch, ACSO
Cllr V Weston, District Councillor
Mr B Gibbs, Clerk to the Lengthsman

Members of the Public: 0

54/AC APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from: Mr D Salmon (unwell)

55/AC CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE

The Clerk confirmed receipt of Cllr Hyland's Declaration of Office, as both a Member and Chairman of Soberton Parish Council.

56/AC PARISH COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT

A copy of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct has been previously circulated.
There were no disclosures made by members of the Committee.

57/AC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public joined the meeting.

58/AC MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 21st DECEMBER 2021

Resolved:

The minutes of the last meeting having been previously circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Marland Seconded: Cllr Hyland All Agreed

59/AC ACCREDITED COMMUNITY SAFETY OFFICER (ACSO)

Resolved:

- a) The ACSO's May 2022 report, having been previously circulated, was received.
- b) An average of 10 ad-hoc hours per month were agreed, to enable the ACSO to work in consideration of need. Work potentially taking longer than an hour to be discussed with the Clerk in the first instance.

Proposed: Cllr Cleeve Seconded: Cllr Hyland All Agreed

60/AC THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Cllr Marland advised an approximate attendance of 400 persons. Good community participation. Excellent feedback received. Thanks, have been forwarded to the

many that helped. The Committee offered its thanks to Cllr Marland and the Working Group for their work arranging such a successful event.

61/AC RECREATION GROUND AND PAVILION

No Dog Signs No dog signs have been erected in the fenced area.

Fencing **Resolved:** The Committee to start thinking about fencing the whole recreation ground in consideration of badgers, dog faeces and similar difficulties. To plan reserves and undertake the work properly.
Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Sherwill All Agreed

Ditches/Bins The bins are being collected further to follow-up from Cllr Sherwill. The Clerk to note the bins on the recreation ground for monitoring purposes moving forward.

Football Pitch Cllr Cleeve has a meeting arranged with Steve Norris, Soberton Football Club for a general update. Council requested discussions included the possibility of starting a youth team, others wishing to use the pitch and whether the fees need revision.

Gates **Resolved:** Cllr Cleeve to request the Council's grounds maintenance contractors repair the broken springs on the pedestrian gates.
Proposed: Cllr Cleeve Seconded: Cllr Hyland All Agreed

Goal Posts Cllr Cleeve talked through comparable goal posts, ranging between £1,300 and £2000. Pros and cons were discussed.
Resolved: The Clerk to purchase the mid-cost goalposts, subject to double checking they meet the required safety standards.
Proposed: Cllr Marland Seconded: Cllr Hyland All agreed

Pavilion SNUGS are appreciative for the use of the pavilion. Being on site post-COVID has been useful as minor maintenance jobs have been identified. The Cess pit was emptied prior to the Jubilee. Tree roots have been removed from the drain.
Resolved: The drains to be checked and cleared annually
Proposed: Cllr Cleeve Seconded: Cllr Hyland All agreed

62/AC CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

The Council pays for quarterly inspections, plus an independent annual inspection. The next inspection is expected in July.

Resolved: The Clerk to check the details and ensure the July inspection arranged.
Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Cleeve All agreed

63/AC HIGH STREET BANK

Resolved: The Clerk to request the Council's grounds maintenance contractors cut the bank at the end of July, after the flowers are over.

Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Marland All agreed

64/AC CHALK PIT

A survey has been undertaken by the National Park. Their recommendation is to leave it alone and allow it to rewild itself.

Resolved: No action

Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Cleeve All agreed

65/AC OTHER COMMON LAND

Pond at junction of Dradfield and Ingoldfield Lane: HCC has slightly altered the ditch due to flooding. It needs clearance but SPC has been asked not to clear it.

Resolved: Cllr Hyland to discuss with the Conservation Group.

Proposed: Cllr Cleeve Seconded: Cllr Sherwill All agreed

66/AC LENGTHSMAN

With Brendan Gibbs appointment, SPC will continue as the lead for a cluster of 10 parishes. Mr Gibbs advised that: 9 of the 10 parishes had returned their signed contract. He has liaised with HCC re: the purchase order. The next tranche of work is in July/August. He has issued new worksheets to the parishes which will be forwarded direct to the Lengthsman, copied to himself. And he will liaise with Cllr Salmon, responsible for the day-to-day work in Soberton. The Chairman thanked Mr Gibbs for his work.

67/AC HIGHWAYS

The committee discussed the ‘20’s Plenty for Us’ campaign.

Resolved:

- a) The Clerk to monitor the progress of the ‘20’s Plenty for Us’ campaign with other parishes and keep the Council updated.
- b) The Acting Clerk to forward the deployment schedule to all, and request the monthly data is uploaded to the website.

Proposed: Cllr Sherwill Seconded: Cllr Hyland All agreed

68/AC RIGHTS OF WAY

Resolved:

The fingerpost at Kiln Hill is missing its sign. Cllr Cleeve to discuss with Jane.

Proposed: Cllr Cleeve Seconded: Cllr Hyland All agreed

69/AC ST CLAIR’S MEADOW

Resolved:

The Council to agree a new Council Representative at the next Full Council meeting

Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Cleeve All agreed

70/AC PLANNING

- a. **Removal of condition 6 from approved planning permission W/533/2 El Tercero Granada Hundred Acres Road, Wickham Ref: 22/00923/FUL**

Resolved: Objection based on the following grounds:

1 There is no evidence that this property has been advertised or marketed for sale or rent as an agricultural property to establish if there is a market/ rental need.

2 There is no true evidence of demand or lack of demand for agricultural dwellings in the area submitted with the documentation.

The PC are aware of several pieces of land within the Parish currently with the occupation of mobile homes asking or recently granted for permanent dwellings in the countryside.

- One on Maybush Lane
- One on Lodge Hill
- Two on Dradfield Lane
- One on Station Road

The planning policies for this are that residential development would not normally be allowed in the countryside unless there is clear demonstrated need for agricultural/forestry workers and occasional equestrian establishments.

3 There is a concern that removing the agricultural tie off this house would sever the holding which justified the agricultural dwelling in the first place - 12.48 acres as outlined in paragraph 4.4 of the planning statement.

4 The planning statement makes reference to the property being of high value – this is a 2 bedroomed 1970 bungalow that will need modernising. What is of value is the agricultural land that it sits on with the large pond and grounds.

5 The NPPF advises that new homes in open countryside should be avoided therefore if the tie is lifted from this property without any clear demonstration of marking the property at the correct value for a tied property, this is likely to cause further degradation of the countryside if the land is sold off in small plots.

6 There is another dwelling on the agricultural land with the application that no reference is made in the documentation and recent extensive fencing has taken place.

b. Construction of double garage

Hoe Manor Farm, Hoe Street, Hambledon

Ref: 22/00655/HOU

Resolved: No Objection

Comments: The Council's only comment is the location is somewhat away from the residential part of the property and out buildings. It is closer to the Hoe Gate Farm than Hoe Manor Farm.

The Council has no objection for the conversion of the open sided barn into a garage, but requests the LPA places a condition on the conversion to ensure that this garage is conditioned to be a garage to store vehicles and for no other purpose.

c. General Purpose Storage Barn (Amended Plans)

Tricklebank Stud

Ref: 21/02081/FUL

Ratified: Objection submitted to the LPA using delegated responsibility.

Comments: Soberton Parish Council (SPC) has reviewed the amended application for a storage building at Tricklebank Stud. SPC object to this application and remain concerned about the overall landscape impact the proposed building will have on the surrounding area.

Objections were based on visual impact, mass and scale, character of the area, proposed lighting, and planning policy in relation to equestrian development. The full comments of the sub-group can be found on the planning portal (2 submissions).

Proposed: Cllr Hyland Seconded: Cllr Marland All agreed.

71/AC FINANCE

Proposed by Cllr Marland and seconded by Cllr Hyland
Payments: Locum Clerk £1,426.09, Cllr Hyland (Google E-mail) £61,26, Cllr Marland (Jubilee Event Expenses) £18.10, Swanmore Parish Council (ACSO) £225.72 + VAT, Ampfield Traffic (SID deployment) £150, Vitaplay (CPA equipment clean) £540 + VAT.

Available funds in the current account - £45,979.59

72/AC CORRESPONDENCE

None.

73/AC ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Quality of Highways Repairs
Village Gates – Cllr Sherwill to present.

74/AC DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 7.30pm – SVH.

The Actions Committee Meeting concluded at 9.15pm