



Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council

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**Minutes of the Full Council meeting
held on Monday 21 October 2019 at 7.00 pm
at 2 Knowle Park Lane, Fair Oak**

P – present, Ab – absent, Ap – apologies.

P	Cllr Abbott	P	Cllr Douglas	P	Cllr Mignot
P	Cllr Anderson	P	Cllr Forfar	P	Cllr Scott
P	Cllr Barrett	P	Cllr Higby	P	Cllr Spearey
Ap	Cllr Bird	Ab	Cllr Jermy	P	Cllr Tennent
P	Cllr Couldrey	P	Cllr McGuinness	Ab	Cllr Warrillow

Officers in attendance: Ms M Stephens, Clerk & Mrs L Greenslade Deputy Clerk.

PUBLIC SESSION

A representative of the Fair Oak Cricket Club addressed Members on the affordability of the seasonal cricket fee which was applied this financial year and requested that the Council consider reducing the rate as part of their 2020/2021 budget. The Chairman agreed that this would be discussed at the next Asset meeting on 11 November.

Concerns were also raised regarding the narrow paths and the speed of HGVs along Botley Road leading to the local schools. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to report this to the Policing team.

52 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Couldrey & Douglas in Minute No. 55.

53 MINUTES OF MEETINGS (PAPER A)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 16 September 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record

54 STREET PASTORS

Liz Richardson, Fair Oak, Horton Heath & Bishopstoke Street Pastor Co-ordinator gave a brief presentation on the background of the Street Pastors and the current work they undertook in the villages. The Street Pastors had been active for approximately 10 years and in that time they had grown to a team of sixteen. Four members of the team, on a rotational basis, visited various locations around the Parish every Friday evening engaging mostly with younger people.

The Street Pastors were now also an active and valuable member of the local Community Safety Action Group. Sharing key information to statutory partners and responding to requests from the Parish Council regarding areas of concern.

The Ascension Trust who are the governing body of the Street Pastors had indicated their intention to increase fees by 15%. Various options had been explored to meet this increased cost including merging with the Eastleigh or Winchester group.

The Chairman said the Parish Council in seeking to support the valuable work of the Pastors and would consider this as part of their grant contribution setting, at its next Finance meeting. The Chairman and other members of the Council thanked the Street Pastors for their commitment to the community.

55 PLANNING

Cllr Couldrey disclosed a pecuniary interest as a member of Eastleigh Borough Council. He did not take part in the debate and did not vote.

Cllr Douglas disclosed a pecuniary interest as the developed was sited to the boundary of her premises. She did not take part in the meeting for consideration of this item and did not vote.

The Chairman confirmed the email circulated by the Clerk, that due to the fact that the Planning Committee held on 7 October had been inquorate, the Chairman had submitted comments on a number of applications on behalf of the Parish Council which required comments by 8 October. These had been circulated to all members for information. In order to avoid the Committee being inquorate, future meetings would be held 30 minutes before all Full Council meetings.

Members considered the applications below: -

Application No: [F/19/86328](#)

Site Address: Brigadier Gerard, Botley Road, Horton Heath, SO50 7DQ

Description: Construction of 4No. three bedroom semi-detached dwellings and 1No. four bedroom detached dwelling with associated amenity space, parking, landscaping and new access from Botley Road.

Comment: Members raised no objection to the housing development but reiterated their previous decision that the Parish Council would not take on the woodland to manage under any agreement.

Application No: [F/19/86429](#)

Site Address: Tesco Express, Service Station, Winchester Road, Fair Oak

Description: Proposed modular warehouse extension with chiller unit and new timber fence to match existing and suit site layout

Comment: No objection

Application No: [H/19/86588](#)

Site Address: Sunnymede, Botley Road, Horton Heath, SO50 7DN

Description: Detached garden office and store

Comment: No objection

Cllr Spearey took the Chair.

Application No: V/19/86404

Site Address: Pembers Hill Farm, Mortimers Lane, Fair Oak, SO50 7EA

Description: Removal of clause giving the right to vary the mix of the affordable housing dwellings and tenures now that an Affordable Housing. Contract has been entered into and amendment of the 'mortgagee in possession' clauses to ensure consistency with the Swaythling Housing Society Ltd's funding and security arrangements. There is no change to the number of affordable housing dwellings.

Comment: No objection

Application No: [H/19/86311](#)

Site Address: The White House, Botley Road, Fair Oak, SO50 7AN

Description: Proposed car port

Comment: No objection

RESOLVED:

That the comments set out above, be submitted to the Borough Council.

Cllr Douglas resumed the Chair.

56 FINANCE REPORT (REPORT B)

Members considered the report of the Responsible Financial Officer as set out in Report B.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the contents of the report be noted; and
- b) That BACS payments be authorised.

57 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT (REPORT C)

Members noted the comments made by the External Auditor and asked the Clerk to pass on thanks to the Responsible Finance Officer for all her hard work in preparing the yearly accounts.

RESOLVED

That the comments received in the External Auditor's report be noted.

58 BUGGYFIT REQUEST (REPORT D)

Members considered a request, as set out in Report D, from a resident to set up a "buggyfit" group at New Century Park.

RESOLVED:

That the Parish Council raised no objection to the use of New Century Park and supported the initiative.

59 HORTON HEATH COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk outlined proposals to purchase a stainless-steel cupboard which included a "prep" area for the kitchen at Horton Heath Community Centre, at a cost of £620.

RESOLVED:

That a stainless-steel cupboard be purchased, using ear marked reserves.

60 CLIMATE CHANGE TASK & FINISH GROUP

Members discussed establishing a Task & Finish Group to investigate how the Parish Council could reduce its carbon footprint. The Clerk suggested inviting two members of the community to serve on the group.

RESOLVED

- a) That a Task & Finish Group consisting of Cllrs Abbott and Forfar be set up; and
- b) That the Clerk advertise for two community vacancies to serve on the Group.

61 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (CIP) (REPORT E)

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the CIP list as set out in Report E be noted.

62 FORWARD PLAN (REPORT F)

RESOLVED:

That the Forward Plan as set out in Report F be agreed.

This was all the business and the meeting closed at 7.55 pm.

Signed Chairman