

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Northington Village Hall  
On Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.00pm**

**Present** John Mitchell (chairman) (JM)  
Adam Dyne (AD)  
Dennis Nye (DN)  
Yvonne White (YW)  
Councillor Margot Powell (MP) - Itchen Valley

**Apologies** Alexandra Risebury (Clerk) (AR)  
Councillor Jackie Porter – Kings Worthy  
Melissa Jennings (MJ)

The Chairman welcomed all present.

**1. Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> March were proposed by Adam Dyne and seconded by Yvonne White and signed as a true record by the chairman.

**2. Matters Arising:**

Points 3 & 4 Northington Hill and B3046: signage work and remedial work has yet to be carried out by HCC.

Point 5 Grange Estate Meeting – (to be discussed under item 3 of this Agenda)

Point 6 Village Spring Clean-up: AD confirmed this went well. The PC approved the purchase of grabbers for next year.

Point 7 Fly tipping: JM confirmed this matter has now been sorted.

**3. SHELAA (Strategic Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment):**

JM reported that 30 minutes ago, he had seen on the WCC's website the results of the Council's latest (June 2019) review of the SHELAA list. He said that under the Main Report (Appendix 1) page 20 Exclusions, application NO02 "land adjacent West Lodge" is excluded at Stage 1 on the grounds that the site is "Within a designated Historic Park and Garden".

MP mentioned the number of new dwellings required by WCC's Local Plan 2036. DN asked whether the applicant could appeal the decision. MP said this is not possible.

DN noted that Folly Hill Industrial Units on Drove Lane was not on the excluded list and therefore it is assumed remains on the SHELAA list. JM confirmed that this is so.

DN reminded the PC that there is no requirement for a SHELAA site to be adjacent to a proposed development site in order for it to qualify as a source of funds. On the redevelopment of Home Farm, Margot asked whether NPC is in favour of the redevelopment of the Farm. JM replied that NPC accepts the need for Home Farm's reinstatement. However, opinions in the Parish are varied about the merits of choosing housing or a conference centre and/or leisure centre as the most appropriate means of funding the rebuild at Home Farm.

It was agreed that the NPC would continue to watch for future planning applications.

JM noted that Ivor Gurdler's (WCC's Chief Tree Preservation Officer) application for a TPO had been significant at the time. Eventually it had emerged that there was an existing Forestry Commission maintenance plan for the woodland. This meant that the TPO could not be applied in this instance. MP said that the Forestry Commission had rights which cannot be overridden by the local council. DN asked whether the woodland is being managed. JM confirmed that it is and had been thinned out about four years ago. Records show the woodland has been managed since 1792.

AD asked if this latest SHELAA report would be published in the Hampshire Chronicle. So far, there had been no mention of it.

**4. Clerk's Report:**

No clerk's report

**5. Any Other Business:**

Parish Consultation Letter ref: Planning application 19/01118/FUL Newhouse Farm Cottages. JM confirmed he had visited the property and seen the site of the proposed Biomass Boiler. NPC agreed that there are no issues and the required response of no objection has been sent to WCC.

WCC Consultation Request ref: Planning application 19/00907/HOU, 101 Grange Park, Northington. JM had visited the site and following a discussion of what he had seen, the NPC agreed to raise no objection to the Consultation Request.

JM thanked MP for her report and asked about the parking issue in Alresford. She informed the meeting that HCC have control of the on-street parking, although it is run by WCC. HCC needs to raise more revenue from parking in Alresford and discussions are in train about rates and street meters, etc.

**Date of next meeting:** 17 September 2019 at 7.00 pm in the Woolpack Inn

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Attachments:

Councillor Margot Powell's report

Councillor Jackie Porter's report